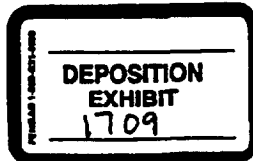


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- MS-DOS 5 kernel + cool new utilities = MS-DOS 6 = \$\$\$
- "Checkbook" release
- Acquired and inhouse developed utilities. Philosophy: get excellent products with low share for cheap.
- Defend DOS. Stay aggressive. Put Novell/DR on treadmill
- Hold position until big step forward, Cougar.
- Ship 1/93



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Astro Product Content

- Disk compression -- "Stacker" like product but faster, better integrated.
- Excellent memory management. No need for qemm for 90% of users. Find more UMB's; load drivers, tsr's high optimally, automatically.
- Backup (DOS, Win UI's)
- Defrager
- Anti-Virus (DOS, Win UI's)
- Improved undelete (DOS, Win UI's)
- Inhouse utils: himem, smartdrv 4, smartmon, msd, interlink, power management, dos net client, ...

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Optional Features

- Online docs
- Slim manuals
- Multi-config. Boot-time selection of loaded drivers.
- Pull old utils (eg, debug) into DDL to reduce cogs.
- Utilities we have rights to but not planning to ship, such as Diskfix, Remote control (Commute), and memory mgt bells & whistles.
- Convert stacker partitions

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Acquired Utilities

- DoubleDisk (Vertisoft): disk compression. Complete source. Full distribution and derivative works rights. No attribution. They cannot license to OS vendors. Buyout clause. Future uses: native cougar support, NT, backup, flash file system, ...; Contract in good shape, their lawyer here today.
- Netroom (Helix): memory management. Complete current product minus netwap. Contract signed, code on the way.
- Central Point: Anti-virus for MS-DOS and Windows; undelete for windows, delete sentry; diskfix; commute. All business terms and most legal terms agreed upon.
- Norton: Backup for ms-dos and windows less high-speed dma and tape; Speedisk (defrager). Good shape.
- Not planning to ship diskfix or commute unless Novell includes in DR-DOS.

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