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WOW - If you are REALLY still telling the field the RTM is Sept 30 - and if you are REALLY serious - we have a ton of work to do VERY fast?!!

Is this just propaganda mail???

Making me nervous about getting the channel lined up :his fast if you are serious.....

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From: Suanne Nagata
To: Communication to NorthAmerica Sales Reps
Cc: Keith White
Subject: Chicago News 4/7
Date: Thursday, April 07, 1994 8:08AM

>From Keith White, Chicago Marketing --

As we start to ramp for Chicago, the Chicago Marketing Team will be sending out bi-weekly email to the field structured in the following way:

- Current OS Update-current news on MS-DOS/Windows/WFW
- Chicago Update-Current news/issues on Chicago
- Available Resources-Where to get available resources (info/ppts/demo scripts, etc.)
- Key Dates-Development schedule, Beta releases, Training, etc.
- Technology Corner-In each piece of mail, we will also discuss a technology or associated issue in Chicago as part of our ongoing training.

Please send feedback to keithw

*Current OS Update

1) WFW sales bypass Windows 3.1 sales!!!

WFW sold over 300,000 units in January, and has sold 1/2 a million units in the first 2.5 months. In January we sold more units of WFW than Windows 3.1. (see attached press release) Great work!
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2) Workgroup Add-on for MS-DOS

The Workgroup Add-on for MS-DOS also shipped this month. This is the new version of the old Workgroup Connector, but offers a number of improvements in functionality. The Workgroup Add-on allows:
-MS-DOS based pcs which cannot run Windows, the capability to connect to WFW, Windows NT, Windows NT/AS, and Lan Manager systems
-It also includes server capabilities for both file and print services over IPX and NetBEUI. This means an MS-DOS based PC can act as a file or print server.
-It also includes the MS-DOS version of Microsoft Mail, so these non-Windows PCs can still send and receive electronic mail.

3) TCP/IP VxD in beta

The TCP/IP beta was released last week, and is currently available on CompuServe in the MSNET forum section/library 15 on our FTP server (FTP.Microsoft.COM), and on \products\beta.
The TCP/IP VxD is a protect mode implementation of the TCP/IP protocol specifically for WFW 3.11.

4) Self-paced training is available for Windows for Workgroups 3.11

LEARN PC, a Solution Provider, has video based training for WFW aimed at end-users. If you would like brochures, course outlines or a demo copy to use internally or for your customers, call Andrea Hanes at LEARN PC, 708-492-8127. Attached are the product specs:
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***Chicago Update**

1) What can we say/show to customers and when concerning Chicago?

Many of you are beginning to have situations where you would like to present or demo Chicago to many of your customers, or at specific events. Here are the general guidelines for when and what you can say and show.

When	Who	What Present/Demo
Pre-M6	Non-NDA	General Overview of Chicago goals/mission (prazbuilder) Demo should be limited to technologies (multitasking/PlugNPlay)
	NDA	Specifics on product Demo of specific capabilities (Multitasking, Netware support, etc.) UI demo only if trained (\\chicmktg\info\demo\ui.doc)
M6	Non-NDA	Specific Overview of product (ppts from Chicago Mktg Team) Demo most features (UI, Security, Netware connectivity, etc.)
	NDA	As is appropriate for account issues Full demo ("Structured Trial" from Chicago Marketing Team)

2) Chicago Training

Many of you would like to begin getting up to speed on Chicago. Formal training will happen via Video Tele Conference, WWT Course Materials, and at the NSM. Prior to these we will have a number of documents available for your reading pleasure (see below). More details to follow.

***Available Resources**

1) Where can I get more information on Chicago

The Chicago marketing team has setup a server which will contain all the current information on Chicago and WFW. This will include available whitepapers, Chicago Q&A, PPTs, Demo scripts, etc. when they become available. Of course much of this same info will also be in Infobase.

The server name is \\chicmktg\info.

Currently on \\chicmktg\info are whitepapers overviev wing:

- *Chicago Networking (netback.doc)
- *Chicago System Management (mgmt.doc)
- *Chicago Overview (overview.doc)
- *Plug and Play (pnpover.doc)

As well as the most current Chicago Q&A document and much more.

2) Where can I get my questions answered for Chicago?

There are 3 alias setup for getting your questions answered concerning Chicago:

- *TRIO-For your own personal installation questions
- *ChicMktg-For any Chicago marketing related questions
- *ChicTec-For any Chicago technical questions

***Key Dates**

1) Current development schedule (Microsoft Confidential)

#	Description	Date Complete
M1	Self-hosting	Done
M2	Finish Spec	11/30
M3	Prebeta MS release	1/22/93
M32	Early PDK release	3/8/93
M4	PDK release	7/30/93
M5	PDK-2 release	10/29/93
M6	Beta 1 release	5/2/94
M7	Beta-2 release	7/22/94
M8	RC releases begin	8/94
Ship	Final product RTM	9/30/94

2) Beta 1 (M6) due out May 2nd

The first beta of Chicago is scheduled for May 2nd. This will be released to a number of ISVs, and 200 accounts previously nominated by the field. Contact insusbeta, or your beta bud for more info.

***Technology Corner**

What are the key benefits and features of Chicago? What features will Chicago not have?

For customers, Chicago will present a major step forward in functionality on mainstream desktop platforms by providing a system that is easy to use, offers responsive multitasking performance, and provides a great platform for communications. Ease of use will be delivered through the Plug and Play architecture and an improved, more intuitive user interface. Chicago will be a complete, integrated protect-mode operating system that does not require or use a separate version of MS-DOS, implements the Win32[®] API, and provides pre-emptive multitasking and multiple threads of execution for 32-bit applications. The communications capabilities of Windows will be enhanced with integrated, high-performance networking, built-in messaging, and features such as Remote Network Access and File Synchronization designed for mobile and remote computer users.

Chicago will also be a hassle-free upgrade for current Windows users. Chicago will be compatible with most current applications and drivers for MS-DOS and Windows, and will provide an easy transition to the new user interface features. The performance of applications running on Chicago will meet or exceed the performance of those same applications on a 4MB 80386 system. For systems with more memory, performance will be significantly improved over Windows 3.1. The setup program will provide a very simple safe installation process for end-users, and will provide tools for system administrators to customize the configuration of Chicago.

Chicago will not be processor independent, nor will it support symmetric multiprocessing systems, provide C2-level security, or provide full Unicode support. These features cannot be delivered on the mainstream platform in the near future while still meeting the performance and resource targets necessary to create a compelling upgrade for the huge installed base of Windows users. If these features are important to a customer, Windows NT is the product to deploy.

Next Tech CornerTopic:

Is Chicago completely a 32-bit OS and if not why not?

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MICROSOFT Windows for Workgroups 3.11 Becomes World's Best-selling
Retail Operating System Retail Sales, Upgrades, OEMs, Corporate Wins
Contribute to Sales Growth As Windows for Workgroups Becomes
Newest Version of Windows

REDMOND, Wash -- (BUSINESS WIRE)--March 28, 1994--MICROSOFT Corp.
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Microsoft today announced its MICROSOFT Windows for Workgroups operating system
version 3.11 has become the world's best-selling retail operating system and the newest
stream version of Windows.

Microsoft edged the company's MICROSOFT Windows operating system version 3.11
into the No. 2 spot, based on the most current monthly sales data
available.

Sales of the full retail product and of the upgrade for Windows 3.11 totaled
over 300,000 copies worldwide in January 1994, the most current month
for which data is available. International success has led the way, with some
European markets such as Sweden and the United Kingdom seeing more than 70
percent of their retail volume of Windows move to Windows for Workgroups
3.11. With sales of half a million retail units in two months, Windows for
Workgroups 3.11 is now selling ten times faster than it did after its release last
year.

"Windows for Workgroups has become the desktop operating system of choice
for our customers, whether they are running standalone or on a network," said
David Silverberg, vice president of personal operating systems at MICROSOFT. "The
reason is simple: Windows for Workgroups 3.11 is faster and more capable
than Windows 3.11. It is also a great way to experience today some of the
new 'cage' 32-bit file system and networking technology." MICROSOFT Windows "Chicago"
is the code name for the next major release of Windows on the MS-DOS operating
system platform.

The 32-bit file access of Windows for Workgroups 3.11 speeds hard disk
access up to 150 percent, making it the fastest Windows operating system available
today on PCs. Windows for Workgroups also sports additional functionality
not available in Windows 3.11, including the following:

32-bit, protect-mode network drivers for faster, more
reliable networking under Windows

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Great support for networking industry standards such as VELL IPX/SPX and ODI standards, the TCP/IP protocol, and the NDIS driver model

MICROSOFT At Work fax technology for sending and receiving faxes and binary files directly from the desktop

Built-in electronic mail and group scheduling capabilities

Remote-access capabilities for dialing into other machines based on the Windows NT operating system or Windows for Workgroups 3.11 and for accessing files and printers

OEM and Corporate Support Fuel Growth

In addition to strong retail sales, top OEM systems manufacturers are adopting Windows for Workgroups 3.11 as the standard operating system to offer their customers. Manufacturers include APAQ Technology; Aquarius USA, Inc.; Asia Pacific, Inc.; CompuAdd Corp.; DFI Inc.; Digital Equipment Corporation; Fujitsu Technologies; Gateway 2000 Inc.; HEWLETT-PACKARD Company; Infotel, Inc.; Intelligent Computers & Technology; Lexmark; Midwest Micro; Packard Bell; Toshiba Corporation; Unisys Corporation; Zenith Data Systems; and Zeos International. Many international OEMs are also adopting Windows for Workgroups 3.11 as their standard offering for Windows. These include: Elonix, PLC Personal Systems; Investronica; Olivetti; Peacock; Seanix; Siemens Nixdorf Information Systems; Tulip Computers, B.V.; VIGLEN Limited; and VOBIS Personal Computer AG.

As part of our commitment to offer our customers the very fastest and most functional Windows systems, Gateway was one of the first companies to begin offering Windows for Workgroups 3.11 and its new 32-bit file system as our standard offering for Windows," said Ted Waitt, chief executive officer of Gateway 2000. "We have been pleased with the results and are gratified to find that our instincts about what Windows-based customers want were on target."

"We were cautious with Windows for Workgroups 3.11 at launch," said Eric R. Bouchard, marketing manager of the HEWLETT-PACKARD personal computer division in Courcouronnes, France. "But its strong standalone speed benefits combined with solid networking support and new faxing capabilities have convinced us this is the best version of Windows to offer on our systems."

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for corporations and organizations are making purchases of Windows for Workgroups in volume to take advantage of its benefits.

"We decided to switch from OS/2 to Windows for Workgroups 3.11," said David Welin of the Swedish Tax Authority. "This decision means that between 100 and 12,000 users will upgrade to the Windows for Workgroups environment."

"Great NetWare connectivity is one of the many reasons for our decision to upgrade to Windows for Workgroups 3.11," says Randy Lewter, corporate LAN administrator of Volvo GM Heavy Truck Corporation in Greensboro, N.C. "In addition, the improved performance and added standalone benefits, such as built-in fax and remote-access capabilities make it an ideal solution for end users."

"The fast-food business is a very demanding, time-critical environment," said Julian Rubenstein, co-owner of Wendy's franchises in the Lake County, Ill., area. "Recently, we decided to overhaul our store point-of-sale system and replace it with a complete manufacturing and store-operations system. Windows for Workgroups 3.11 became the logical choice for the operating system because of its built-in networking and superior performance. Today, our Wendy's stores run the Windows for Workgroups-based COMET integrated fast-food manufacturing system, and store productivity has increased by more than 40 percent." Group Add-on for MS-DOS Version 3.11 Ships

Related news, MICROSOFT announced that it has shipped the Workgroup Add-on for MS-DOS, a complementary product to Windows for Workgroups. The Group Add-on for MS-DOS provides the following:

MS-DOS-based peer file and print server capabilities to 86 and 80286-based machines running on networks based on Windows for Workgroups, Windows NT and Windows NT Advanced Server

A high-performance MS-DOS-based network client for Windows for Workgroups, Windows NT and Windows NT Advanced Server

An MS-DOS-based mail client that is compatible with all MICROSOFT mail servers and post offices

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video training system presents comprehensive instruction on WfW 3.11, including networking, file sharing, E-mail and scheduling features. Users learn how to log onto WfW, connect to a network drive, schedule appointments, set up an At-Work Fax, send, receive and print mail and add s to an address book.

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