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TO: Laura F. Lee at Orchid
Subject: FW: Windows 95 Only Logo Not Available After July 1, 1997

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Resend . . . I sent it to rostad instead of rolstad.

> -----Original Message-----

> From: Bob Chapman
> Sent: Tuesday, April 08, 1997 12:07 PM
> To: 'ddewhitt@acer.com'; 'mkroll@acer.com'; 'rostad@acer.com'
> Subject: FW: Windows 95 Only Logo Not Available After July 1,
> 1997

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> Here are some comments from our product group on this issue:
> * Until July, Acer can still submit new systems for the Designed
> for Windows 95-only Logo.
> * If Acer is working now toward testing and building drivers
> against the new WDM model and PC 97, they should consider testing and
> applying early (like now) for the new combined Logo. If they apply
> early and pass, they can receive the artwork for the new combined Logo
> before Memphis ships so they might be able to get it on Aspire 5 for
> the fall, if that is something they are interested in.
> * After July, Acer should focus on testing to Memphis and Windows
> NT 4 and 5. WHQL will be doing testing starting very soon against
> Memphis beta and Win NT 5 beta, so those are the platforms (and
> drivers) Acer should be focusing on, certainly for the July onward
> timeframe (or once NT 5 beta 1 ships).
> * Regarding device drivers for Windows NT 4.0, there is a large
> list of devices that are listed on the current Windows NT 4.0 HCL (see
> <http://www.microsoft.com/hwtest/> under Windows NT 4.0 Hardware
> Compatibility). There are also third parties which can be hired to do
> Windows NT 4.0 drivers. I don't think this would take 3 months to do.
> In reality, since WDM does not cover display and printer drivers, Acer
> will probably still have to ship Windows 95 and Windows NT-specific
> drivers even once Memphis and Windows NT 5 ship.
> * The bottom line is that we are requiring our system vendors to
> be certified on both platforms, Windows 95 and Windows NT after July
> 1. That means ensuring all devices function properly with both
> operating systems. If they can let us know specifically which drivers
> for Windows NT are not available and thus stand in their way, that
> would be helpful. But the reality is that even in the consumer market,
> Windows NT compatibility is increasingly important to Jim Allchin and
> to Microsoft. The combined Logo is another step we are taking in the
> marketplace to emphasize this shift.
> * Also, the MDA97 provides incentives for such as described below:
> Expand the market for COMPANY's Customer Systems by developing new
> Customer Systems with advanced ease-of-use features based on Windows
> technologies.
> 1. All new COMPANY Customer System models released after July 1,
> 1997 that ship with Windows 9x or Windows NT Workstation shall meet
> the then current respective "Designed for Windows" Logo requirements
> outlined in the PC97 Hardware Design Guide. Such systems (as
> configured for sale to end-users) shall pass validation testing at
> Microsoft's Windows Hardware Quality Labs (WHQL). Further, such
> systems (as configured for sale to end-users) shall be substantially
> similar to units of such systems as configured for advertisements and
> for review by trade publications
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> 2. In addition, such Customer Systems shall pass testing with no
> listed waivers or contingencies at first submission to WHQL. COMPANY
> shall submit Customer Systems within 30 days of release, and test such
> Customer Systems through MS-authorized self-testing and/or
> certification processes, if available.

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> -----Original Message-----

> From: Dean DeWhitt [SMTP:ddewhitt@smtplink.acer.com]
> Sent: Friday, April 04, 1997 9:32 AM
> To: Bob Chapman; rolstad@smtplink.acer.com
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> Subject: RE: Windows 95 Only Logo Not Available After July 1,
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> Bob -

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> This is poor to decouple the logo requirements and the Memphis and NT
> 5.0
> operating systems. Memphis and NT 5.0 support a common/combined
> driver model so
> the same driver works in both places.

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> For the consumer channel, we ship hardware that is productized with
> Win95
> drivers only. For us to continue shipping with the new logo, we would
> have to
> develop and test NT drivers and then dump them when Memphis and NT 5.0
> get
> released due to the new combined driver model. You are also giving us
> only 3
> months to develop and certify NT drivers for Aspire while we are
> trying to get
> Aspire 5 done.

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> I would recommend you allow OEMs to continue using the old logo until
> Microsoft
> can come through with the operating systems that support a combined
> logo.

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> Dean DeWhitt

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> -----Original Message-----

> From: Bob Chapman <bobch@MICROSOFT.com>
> Sent: Friday, April 04, 1997 9:18 AM
> To: Jay Tao; Robert Olstad; Dean DeWhitt
> Subject: Windows 95 Only Logo Not Available After July 1, 1997

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> > SUMMARY:

> > The Windows 95 only logo will not be available after July 1, 1997.
> > OEMs will need to test against the "Designed for Windows NT and
> > Windows 95" logo or the "Designed for Windows NT" logo (workstations
> > only). There are no changes to PC97, the MDA or WHQL testing
> > procedures. For more information visit our web site:
> > <http://www.microsoft.com/hwdev/desguid/newlogo.htm>

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> > DETAILS:

> > As of July 1, 1997 system logo options will be:
> > 1. Test against PC97 Basic on both OSs. OEM will receive the
> > combined logo graphic only.

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> > 2. Test against PC97 Workstation on Windows NT. OEMs will receive
> > the "Designed for Windows NT" logo only.
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