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Tuesday, March 15, 1994 5:09 PM Joachim Kernpin; Jeff Lum; Kellee McCusker; Mark Baber; Mary Jo Newton

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Subject:

Patty Stonesifer RE: Patty's call with Amezcua

I think at \$3 we hurt ourselves more than we hurt Spinnaker.

From: Joachim Kempin

To: Jeff Lum; Kellee McCusker, Mark Baber; Mary Jo Newton

Cc: Patty Stonesifer; Tom Reeve Subject: RE: Patty's call with Amezcua Date: Tuesday, March 15, 1994 4:19PM

I am late catching a plane:therefore short: IBM did not tell us anything about beeing pissed because we are doing consumer biz with Compaq. Relationship, hard to judge for me. Take the biz at \$3 and hurt a competitor,

From: Kellee McCusker

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Except that when Spinnaker was at \$3 and we were at \$6, the delta was not significant enough for them to make the change. They will pay "the premium" as they see it. So, since Spinnaker is at \$0, they are saying we would need to be at \$3 to even be considered. Sorry that was not clear in my mail. What do you recommend we do?

From: Mark Baber

To: Jeff Lum; Joachim Kempin; Kellee McCusker; Mary Jo Newton

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Kellee - if all the below is in fact true then IBM should not be interested in licensing Works at even \$3.00.

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From: Kellee McCusker To: Jeff Lum; Joachim Kempin; Mark Baber; maryjon Cc: Patty Stonesifer; Tom Reeve Subject: Patty's call with Amezcua Date: Tuesday, March 15, 1994 1:34PM Priority: High

Patty just gave me an update on her call with Robert. The call did not go well in that PS/1 firmly believes that there is no difference in Works packages out there, therefore decision based only on price. Without a \$3 Works price, this US business is lost to Spinnaker for now. Price is king.

I don't think we should go to a \$3 price. I know this business is binary but it sets a whole new precident in Works pricing -- soon PB, Compaq, and our other big players will be there and this significantly affects our revenue. Spinnaker is a shitty product – they are desperate, we need to win this battle on the relationship and value fronts. From a revenue standpoint, long term it would hurt us to go down across the board and that's what has happened for the last 3 years. Going to \$3 fixes a short term problem, but hits us harder in the long term.

I think it has hurt us that we don't have the right relationship with PS/1. No reflection on Mary Jo as she is new to this biz and only 2 months on this account. Robert's Lexington group only cares about product engineering and has no marketing. Marketing is in Atlanta, a group which is so out of touch with the channel and overall it is a very disfunctional situation. By penetrating marketing and management groups, we will be able to better establish our value as premium products.

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get them in touch with their channel, HELP them market, etc..

I think they may need to learn the channel returns and PSS cost experience themselves. PB & Compaq did and they came back to form committed partnerships with us. It is true that WORKS will not make someone buy a PC, but if they can't use the pc when they get it home or it's hard - they return it or call the OEM more.

We still win with Encarta on PS/1 in the US and Works Int'l.- so we are not shut out completely.

Other comments from Patty's conversation:

- Robert knows Maples, maybe we should have him call? maybe not, Patty is not sure that this will help the situation.

- PS/1 pissed that we are marketing with Compaq and makes them want to have a different works product. - apparently communicated this to Joachim last week

- Their research shows a works is a works is a works

and customers do not care

- They don't believe returns or support costs will go up with spinnaker.
- Interested in marketing, but PRICE rules.
- Pissed that we offered Encarta derivative bundle at \$8 if they kept Works on these systems. Feel this is tving & illegal.

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so at this point, we have still lost this pusiness in the US for the short term. Joachim, I know you are going out of town to London, but would like your thoughts and your team's thoughts on this situation. -Kellee

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