

From: Greg Hope
Sent: Monday, December 15, 1997 11:58 PM
To: Mohsen Al-Ghosein; Dave Reed; Bob Muglia (Exchange); Joe Maloney; Erich Andersen (LCA)
Subject: RE: Enterprise Beans Spec - Attorney Client Priviledged Communication

Do not touch the spec until we work out a process with legal. It's at <http://java.sun.com/products/ejb/docs.html>

There is a weak whitepaper prepared by our friend ann thomas at http://java.sun.com/products/ejb/white_paper.html

It contains some shots and factual errors on MTS. There are some more at <http://java.sun.com/products/ejb/faq.html>

Joe has a marketing response they used last week at internet world. Joe, status?

We can't do a feature comparison/response until we can safely read it and compare. But from press in the last week and the whitepaper etc. it is obviously still basically just a MTS knock-off. They don't get state mgmt and last week they split the spec under pressure from ibm/oracle so that there is a 1.0 version that allows for "transient" objects and a 2.0 which requires "persistent" objects. And the txn stuff is over jts/ots/xa so they are going to have lots of and lots of problems with XA including thread-state, weak spec, crummy implementations in most databases etc. I haven't heard of anything interesting and unique so far.

But we should kick the crap out of them on the marketing side, we have a gigantic lead and they are still struggling to copy a subset of our 1.0 features in the spec when we have shipped 2.0 and have announced and demo'd 3.0 (com+).

btw, the 1.0 spec is out for public 90 day review before it's official, so they still don't even have a spec today!

-----Original Message-----

From: Mohsen Al-Ghosein
Sent: Sunday, December 14, 1997 3:21 PM
To: Dave Reed; Bob Muglia (Exchange); Joe Maloney; Greg Hope
Subject: RE: Enterprise Beans Spec

I don't know where this stands at this point. We absolutely have to be all over this.

Greg?

-----Original Message-----

From: Dave Reed
Sent: Friday, December 12, 1997 10:34 PM
To: Bob Muglia (Exchange); Joe Maloney; Mohsen Al-Ghosein
Subject: RE: Enterprise Beans Spec

I was under the understanding it is under private review.

-dave.

-----Original Message-----

From: Bob Muglia (Exchange)
Sent: Friday, December 12, 1997 6:57 AM
To: Joe Maloney; Dave Reed; Mohsen Al-Ghosein
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Did Sun actually make this thing available? I looked on their website but couldn't find it. It is very important

that we go over this very carefully asap.

bob

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