MICROSOFT INTEROFFICE MEMORANDUM

TO:

Jon Shinley

FROM:

Steve Ballmer

DATE:

March 7, 1985

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Bill Gates, Jim Harris, Scott Oki, Carl Stork

SUBJECT: OEM PRICING

Attached please find my recommendation for OEM pricing of our systems software prodouts. This memo explains the pricing in more detail.

KEY ELEMENTS OF NEW PRICING

- We have bundled MS-DOS and GW-BASIC together as one product reflecting their technical ties (GW-BASIC supports MS-DOS in its functionality). This product is only available per system except in column 1.
- 2. We have reduced the commitment levels to 3 -- one for people who expect to sell 1000 machines a year, a second for people who expect to sell 12,500 units a year and, a third for people who expect to sell 40,000 units or more a year. In Europe, these commitments levels will be less --- 1,000, 5,000 and 20,000. The royalty prices will be the same in each of the three columns.
- 3. Products above the line are royalty only products (Xenix includes manuals). Products below the line ar epackaged products only (at 30%, 45%, and 60% discount). We will only customize package product for people in column 3. We will also reduce their price \$10 if they want to produce their own disks.
- 4. Commitments are calculated by taking the unit price multipled by the unit commitment times the expected penetration. (%)
- 5. Verion fees are payable as customers upgrade between two products with the same number to the left of the decimal. To compute the version fee payable to go from version X.n to X.n+1 subtract the verison fee for X.n from the version fee of X.n+1. We will charge people for maintenance as before (essentially no charge) and maintenance releases only be reflected in the second number to the left of the decimal.

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- 6. Source will only be generally available for the products indicated. Special exceptions may bt made by Scott and Jim for column 3 customers. We will also provide source for pieces of products as required for our OEM's to do their own customer work.
- 7. We will offer column 3 customers the options to pay us the lesser of our specified royalty or 1.2% (I have not had a chance to talk to Jim and Scott on this) of the list price of their standard fully configured system. This should handle people who want to make low end systems.
- 8. We will only make deals for column 3 commitment customers --- to be approved by Jim or Scott.

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