Desktop Applications Division FY95 Overview

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Key Worldwide Business Issues and Opportunities

- No new major applications until Q4 FY95
- New platform releases (PowerMac, NT)
- New distribution models
- New market segments (eg. SMORGs, SPs)
- Piracy reduction

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Lotus' Strengths

- Perceived leader in defining workgroup computing with Notes
- ♦ 1-2-3 brand and large installed base
- ♦ Aggressive Pricing/Marketing
- Offer complete Smartsuite and products on multiple platforms

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Lotus' Weaknesses

- No real operating system to leverage
- Workgroup lead challenged by Novell/WP merger & Microsoft
- Perceived as single product company
- Uneven product line, technology support

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Lotus Expected Activities

- SmartSuite update worldwide (US:Jun-Aug)
 - > 2 versions: Workgroup(with Notes); End-user
 - "Look who's beating MS again" marketing
- Continue targeted, low pricing
- Expect OLE 2.0 support, LotusBasic in 94/95
- Chicago 32-bit version
- ♦ Industry alliances with Powersoft, AT&T

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Novell/WordPerfect Strengths

- Broadened line to compete against MS
- Potential for good workgroup message
- Bought an infrastructure from WordPerfect to supplement strengths
- Leverage, with financial discipline

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Novell/WordPerfect Weaknesses

- Questionable ability to focus with merger
- Technically integrating products from different companies difficult
- Differing business models resulting in loss of some traditional WordPerfect assets
 - > Less support
 - > Lower international support/presence
 - > Lots to learn about end user marketing

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Novell/WordPerfect Activities

- Focus behind upgraded office suite
- Aggressive co-marketing between Office suite and Novell NetWare

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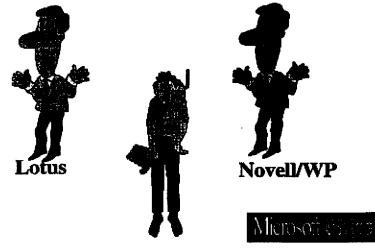
 Integrate WordPerfect Office (groupware) and Novell NetWare

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What They Say About Microsoft



Demo of Office 4.3: FX solution

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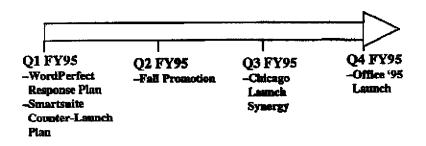
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FY95 Action Plan



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Momentum With Fall Promo

- ♦ Major Fall promotion for end users
- Ensure no key holes in channel presence
 - > Increase breadth distribution
 - > Invest in more merchandising presence

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Win Competitive Installed Base

- ♦ Aggressive switcher campaigns
 - > WordPerfect Response Plan
 - > Lotus Smartsuite Counter-Launch Plan
- Competitive CCP internationally to attack piracy in this segment

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Upgrade MS Installed Base

- Build efficient and profitable engine for selling to the installed base
 - > Subscription-selling/personal maintenance
 - > Add-ons to increase profitability
 - > Pursue single app to Office upgrades

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Develop New Markets

- Focus on small/medium-sized businesses (SMORGs)
 - > Broaden awareness with business press advertising
 - > Focus on key verticals with vertical trade shows and success PR stories
 - Recruit Office vertical solutions with key vertical SPs and VARs
 - > Increase channel availability/visibility

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Establish our Workgroup Message

- No one is clear winner anymore
- Neutralize Notes message with support for Lotus FX
- ♦ Leverage EMS message
- REN to ship in Office '95

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Continue as Technology Leader

- Be THE Chicago suite of applications
- ♦ Best platform for business solutions
 - > Common Visual Basic technology
 - > OLE Automation
 - > Workgroup features
- Leading technology (complete OLE 2.0 support, IntelliSense, OfficeLinks)
- Lead new distribution methods (CD, MOS)

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Link Office '95 and Chicago!!

- Complementary messaging and positioning
- Joint end-user marketing activities
- ♦ Joint PR
- Unified packaging and collateral

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Worldwide Marketing Support Implementing Phoenix in DAD

- Objectives
 - > Easily localizable strategies & programs
 - > Higher level focus on Intl business issues
- Approach
 - > Dedicated International team in DAD
 - > Small "input team" from key subs & regions
 - > Standardized information flow to all subs

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Leadership!

Office suite

Individual apps

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