The Challenge of Network Service

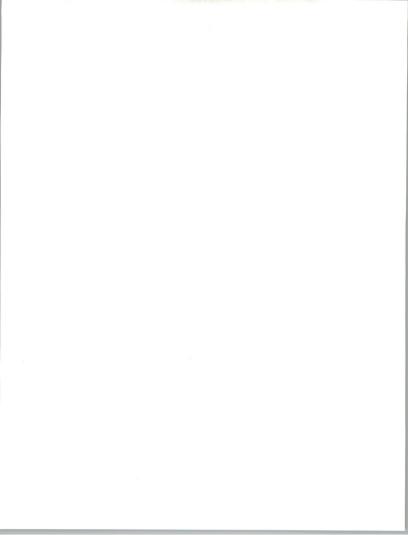
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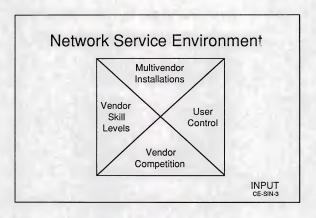
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- · Confused/badly defined market
- At least one-third of users do not have formal service contract
- Major user need is for uptime and access

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<u>Network Service</u> Ski	Il Profile	
	Importar	nce Rating
Service	Computer Systems	Networks
Consultancy	Medium	High
Environmental/ Installation Services	Medium	High
Project Management/ Implementation	Low	Medium
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Skill Profile

	Importance Rating			
Service	Computer Systems	Networks		
Applications Support	Low	Medium		
Systems Software Support	High	High		
Equipment Maintenance	High	Low/ Medium		
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Market Drivers

- Increasing base
- New applications
- User service needs

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Market Inhibitors

- >25% of users opt for self service
- · User acceptance of service need
- Limited opportunities for traditional customer services

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Market Growth, 1990-1995

	User Exp (\$ Mi			
Market	1990	1995	CAGR (Percent)	
Western Europe	220	580	22	
U.S.	420	960	18	

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The User View Computer Centre Communications Terminals

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Key User Service Needs

- Network access
- Improved dealer expertise
- Flexible service offerings
- Single point contact

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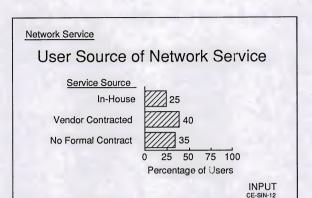


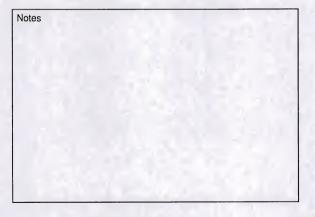
Systems Operations

- 30% of users provide in-house service
- <20% of users require vendor service
- Users reluctant to relinquish responsibility

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Key Vendor Issues

- · Working in a multivendor environment
 - Equipment compatibility
 - Equipment connectivity
 - Definition of responsibilities

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Key Vendor Issues

- Compatibility of software
 - Revision levels
 - Old versus new
 - Multivendor software

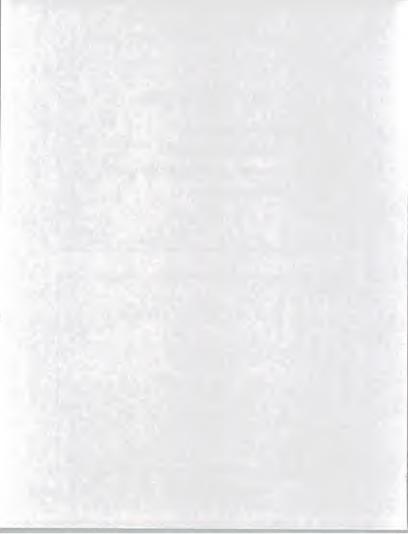
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Key Vendor Issues

- · Wider range of skills
 - Multivendor systems
 - Increased software orientation
 - Skill shortages

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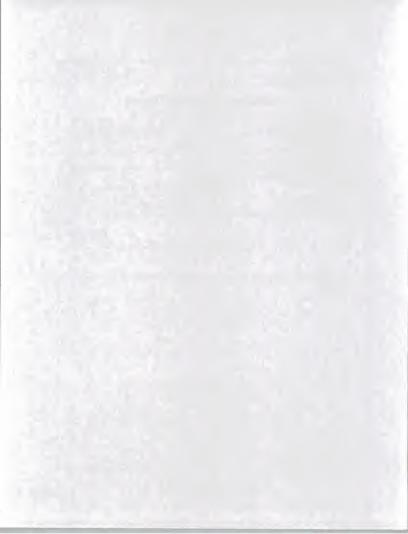


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Wider Opportunities

Network Aspect	Customer Services Opportunity
Design	Consultancy
Project Management	Consultancy
Implementation	Project Management/Consultancy
Operations	Shared/Managed/Total

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Vendor Opportunity Network Disaster Recovery

- · Continuation of user business activities
- Radical changes in business procedures—no backup
- Need for insurance expertise
- Market not yet defined

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Computer Equipment Disaster Recovery Market

	User Expenditure (\$ Millions)		-
Market	1990	1995	CAGR (Percent)
Western Europe	180	550	25
U.S.	400	800	15

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Network Implementation Challenges

- 1. User methodology
- 2. Definitions
- 3. Responsibility
- 4. Specifications

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Network Implementation Opportunities

- Consultancy
- Project management
- Integration
- · Environmental services

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Recommendations for Customer Service Vendors

- New skills
- · Develop flexibility

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Recommendations for Customer Service Vendors

- Uptime and access
- · Promote services with product sales

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Recommendations for Network Services

- Tactical development
 - Multivendor opportunities
 - Consultancy/shared management
 - Disaster recovery
 - Training and skill levels

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Independent Maintenance Western Europe 1990-1995

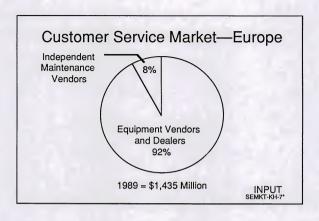
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- Key pan-European companies established
- Major acquisition activity declining
- 16% growth rate, 1990-1995

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Independent Maintenance Market Drivers

- User need for cost reduction
- · Provision of local support
- · Quality and flexibility

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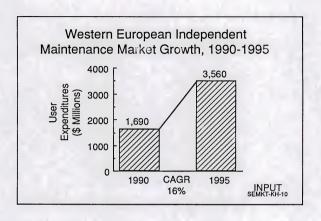


Independent Maintenance Market Inhibitors

- Limited price sensitivity
- Independents' software support credibility
- Fear of equipment vendor reaction

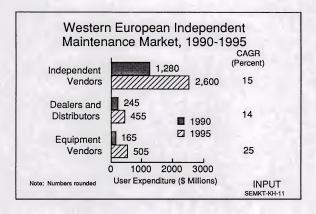
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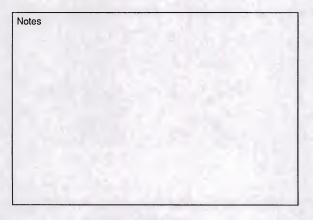


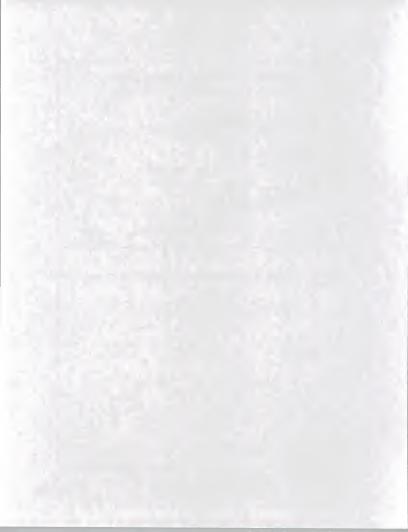


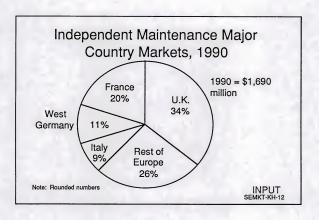
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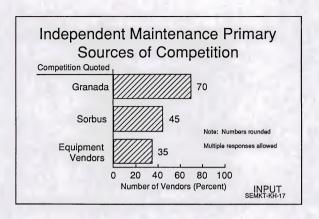














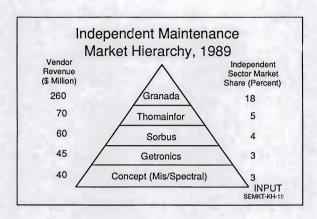


Equipment Vendor Business Recovery Opportunities

- · Equipment replacement time
- Match independents' pricing
- · True multivendor service
- Responsiveness

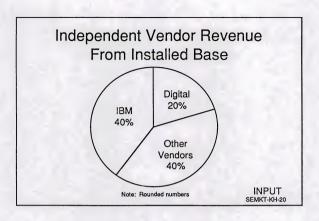
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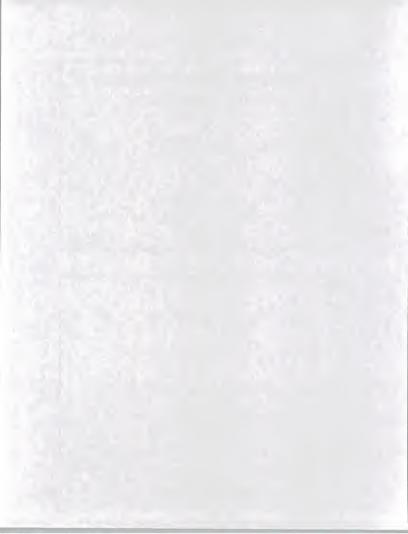


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Independent Vendor Sales Profile

- 6 1/2 % of headcount in sales
- \$1.2 M revenue per sales head
- \$74 K revenue per employee

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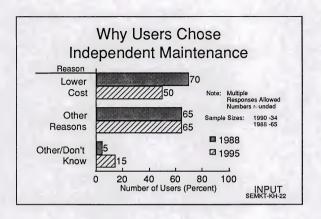
Equipment Vendor Reaction to Independents' Success

- 1. Competitive response
- 2. Cooperative partnerships
- 3. Restrictive practices

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Independent Vendor Strengths

- 1. Responsiveness
- 2. Multivendor service
- 3. Independent/unbiased

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Independent Vendor Weaknesses

- 1. Software support credibility
- 2. Overexposure risk
- 3. Risk of losing user friendliness

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Independent Vendor Future Service Challenges

- 1. Total service orientation
- 2. Cooperatives and partnerships
- 3. Market measurable service

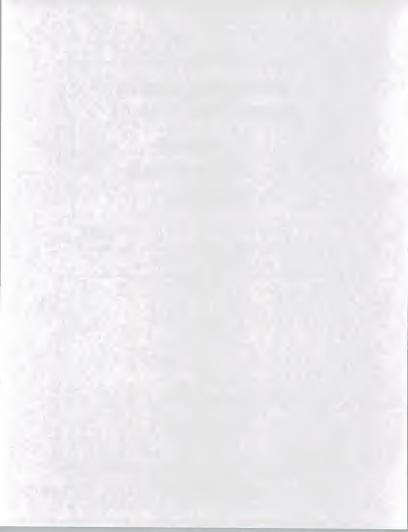
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Major Issues Facing Independent Vendors

- 1. Competition
- 2. New technology
- 3. Quality

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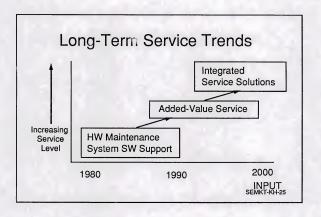


Independent Vendor Five-Year Strategies

- 40% concentrating on diversification
- 50% pursuing acquisition growth
- 70% pursuing market specialisation

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Potential Crisis for Independent Vendors

- Rapid decline in maintenance revenues
- Independent maintenance Independent service
- · Adaptation key to survival

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