# STRATEGIC SCENARIOS FOR CD ROM MARKET ENTRY

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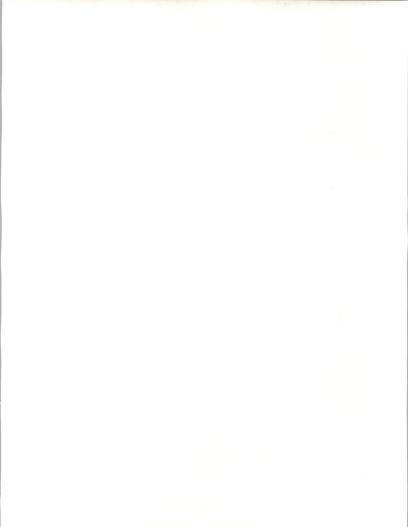
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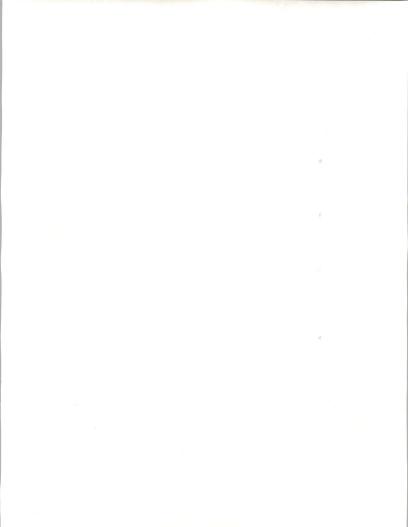
## OBJECTIVE

- Indentify CD ROM Market Opportunities That May Fit INFONET Division Directions
- Formulate Six Scenarios Focused on Market Niches
- Consistent with Company's Strengths/ Worldwide Distribution/ Network Services
- Highlight Potential Partners/Joint Ventures Consistent with Above



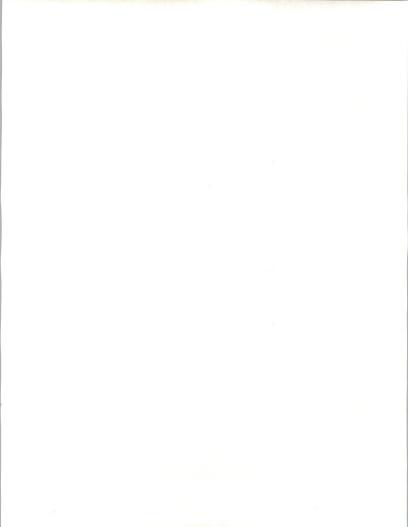
# THE MEDIUM . . .

- Resistent (Dirt, Heat, Scratches)
- Resilient (To Drops, Head Crashes)
- Unparalleled Error Correction (1 in 103 ----> 1 in 1012)
- Can Be Mailed With Impunity



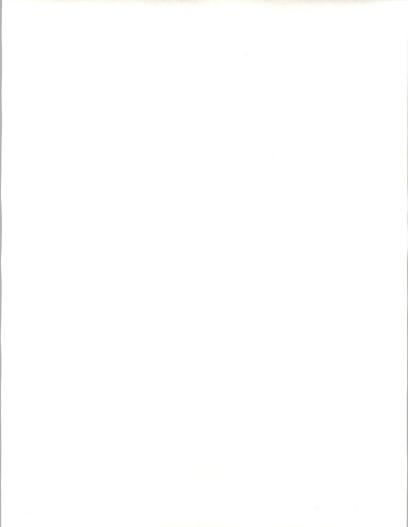
# THE STORAGE ....

- Data (550 MB)
- Text (150,000 Pages)
- Images (15,000)
- Sound (2 Hours)



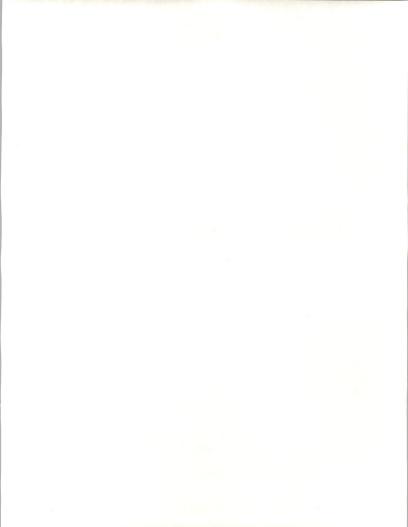
# THE PRODUCTS ....

- Drives
- Workstations
- Software/Applications
- Data/Subscriptions



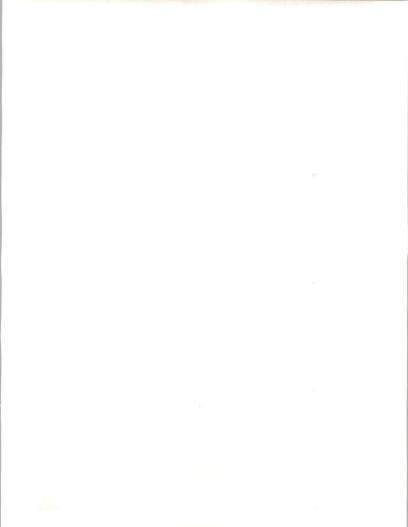
# NEGATIVES ...

- No Write/Erase/Edit (Yet)
- Slow Access (1/2 to 1 Second)
- Difficult to Backup
- Expensive (But Getting Cheaper)
- Slow Turnaround for Data Disks (But Improving)



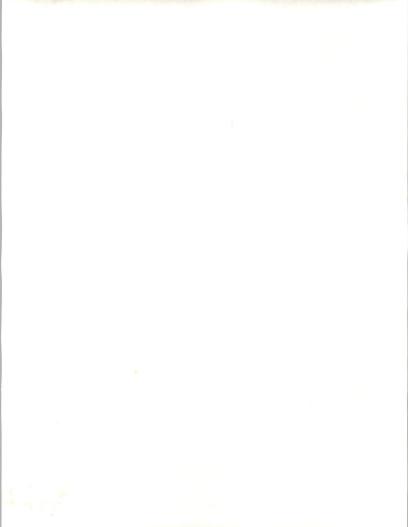
### BARRIERS TO MARKET PENETRATION

- Lack of Standards
  - Hardware
  - Software
- Start-up Costs Are High
  - CD ROM Is Expensive
  - Data File Creation Is Expensive
- User-specific Interfaces Needed

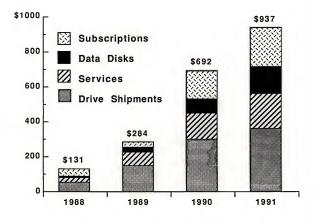


# CD ROM MARKETS: SOFTWARE DEPENDENT

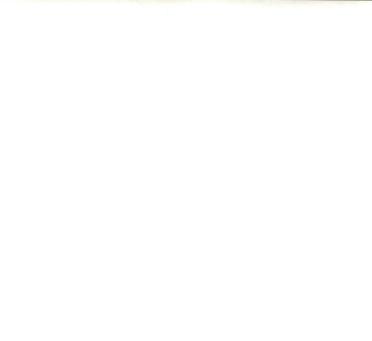
- CD ROM Personalizes Data Base Use Like the PC Personalized Information Processing
- Main Added Value: Specific, Userprofile/Data Content-oriented Search Capabilities
- Generic Search/Index Software Available



# CD ROM MARKETS, 1988-1991



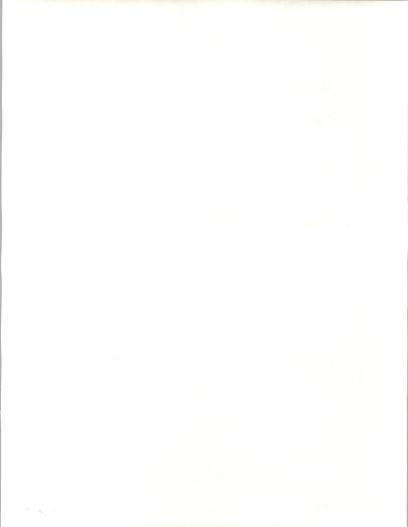
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# EXAMPLE OF CROSS-INDUSTRY APPLICATION FOR INDUSTRY-SPECIFIC MARKETS

- Sample Tool: CD ROM-based Street Map
- Applications: Sales Territory Assignment/ Call Planning, Market Analysis for Siting 24-hour ATM, Taxi Dispatching, Electrician Service Call Sequencing, etc.



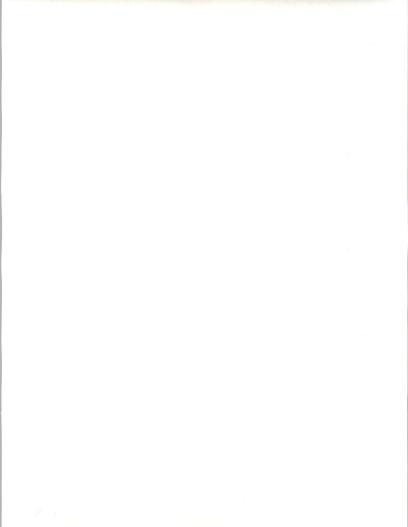
## **CD ROM: MARKETING TOOL**

### Example

 Drug Manufacturers:

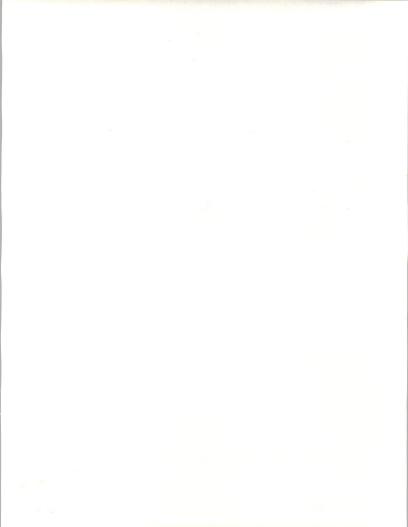
Spend \$20K/Yr. on Each of 175,000 Physicians Writing Prescriptions

• One CD ROM Disk Could Deliver <u>All</u> of the Information Contained in 4,500 Medical Journals That Target This Tiny Distribution Channel



# **CD ROM: COMMUNICATIONS TOOL**

- Controlled Release of Large Volumes of Information to Broad Audience
- Look up/Reference Search/Authorization
- Examples: Pricing Lists, Maintenance Procedures, Engineering Diagrams, Standards



# CD ROM IMPACT ON PROCESSING SERVICES

Positive:

- New Hybrid Services (\$525 M: 1991)
- WORM Back-up Services

Negative:

- Online Data Base Services (\$60 M: 1991)
- Microfiche/COM Services (\$40 M: 1991)
- No Impact on Facilities Mangement



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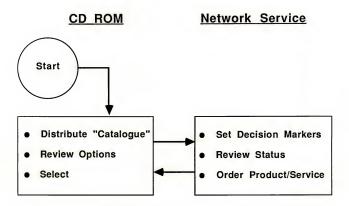
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# CONCLUSION

- CD ROM Needs the Same "Creative Explosion" Support as the PC to Achieve Its Full Potential. Without It, CD ROM Will Languish
- CD ROM Is First in Long Line of Optical Storage Products that May Ultimately Replace Magnetic Storage.



# HYBRID SERVICES



### Examples:

- Sales Catalogues
- Configurators
- Stocks/Bonds/ Commodities
- Maintenance Documentation

### Examples:

- Order Entry
- Supplier Purchases
- Updates, Real Time
- Support, Real Time

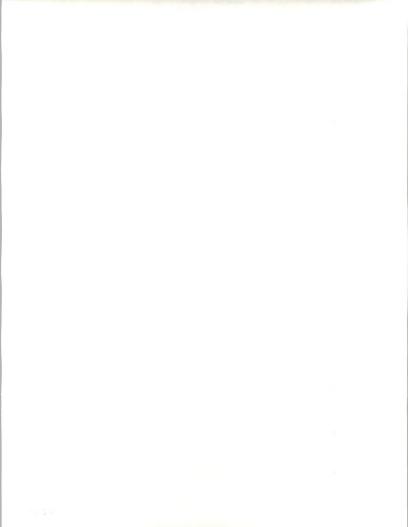


# SELECTED SCENARIOS



# SCENARIO ONE

- Sector: Medicaid
- CD ROM Service: Eligibility Entitlement (State, Federal)
- On-line Service:
- On-line Updates of CD ROM BASE
- Collection of Claims Data
- Electronic Funds Transfer
- Electronic Doctor's Billing to State
- International Applicability: Yes
- Competition: Medicaid FM Systems
- Target Markets: State



# SCENARIO TWO

- Sector: Fortune 1000 Companies
- CD ROM Service: Sales Catalogue/ Configuration

• On-line Service:

- On-line Updates, Promotions
- Order Entry
- Delivery Status Reporting
- Availability
- International Applicability: Yes
- Competition: POS Networks
- Target Markets: Medium-sized, Large Retail Chains, Manufacturers
- Options: "Upstream" Suppliers Purchasing/Bidding Set

### SCENARIO THREE

- Sector: Travel Agencies
- CD ROM Service:
- AOG Domestic/International Including Lodging, Transportation Options, Still Frame Graphics
- "Waiting Room" Sales Tool
- On-line Service:
   Collection/Distribution Gateway to Specialized Airline, Hotel, Rental Car Networks
- International Applicability: Limited
- Competition: In-place, Partial Agency Systems
- Target Markets: UA, AA, Delta
- Options: Large Agencies

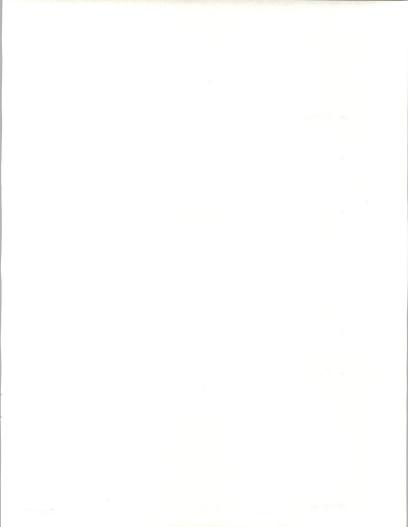


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### **SCENARIO FOUR**

• Sector: Financial Services

- CD ROM Service: Local Historical Reference, Look Up
- On-line Service:
   Real time Updates of Credit, Stocks, etc. Quotations/Prices
  - Setting Decision Triggers
  - Order Entry/Processing
- International Applicability: Yes
- Competition: Dow Jones/Datext, Lotus One Source, Quotron, Telerate, TRW
- Target Markets: Brokerage Houses, Retail Chains

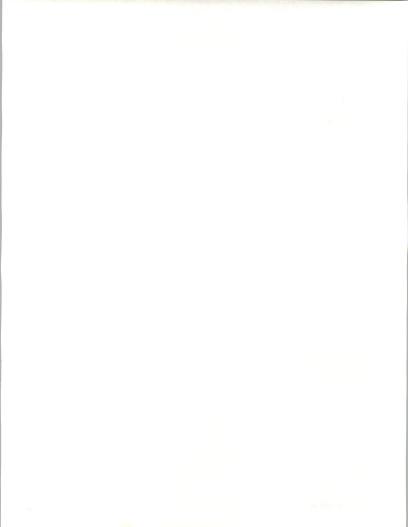


### SCENARIO FIVE

- Sector: Maintenance Documentation
- CD ROM Service: Delivery of Reference Look Up of Full Maintenance Text, Diagrams

On-line Service: - On-line Query, Support

- On-line Updates
- Occurrence Data Base Collection and Prompting
- International Applicability: Yes
- Competition: In-house Projects
- Target Markets: Hardware Manufacturers, Aerospace, Engineering/ Construction Firms/ Telecommunications
- Other: Possible Alliance with CD ROM Manufacturers and Applications Companies



# SCENARIO SIX

- Sector: Wholesale/Retail Publishing
- CD ROM Service: Inventory and Title Source Search (at Retail Level)

 On-line Service: - Purchase Order Handling

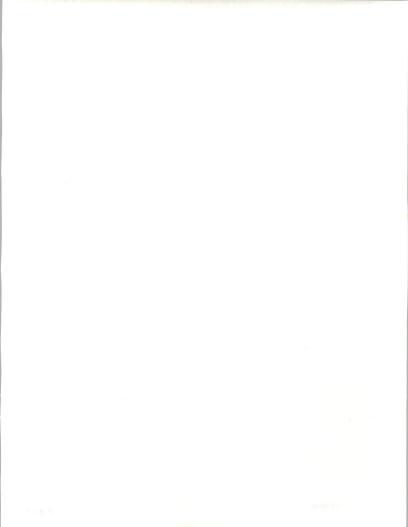
- Delivery Status Query
- Inventory Update
- Price/Promotion Updates
- International Applicability: Yes
- Competition: D&B, McGraw-Hill, Prentiss Hall, etc.
- Target Markets: National/Regional Wholesale Publishers and Their Outlet Chains



### **INFONET BEST OPPORTUNITIES**

### A. Medicaid:

- Good Existing CSC Contacts (Contracts)
- Opportunity to Piggyback Marketing
- Service in Demand
- No One Doing This at Present
- Responsive Applications Developers (Reference Technology)



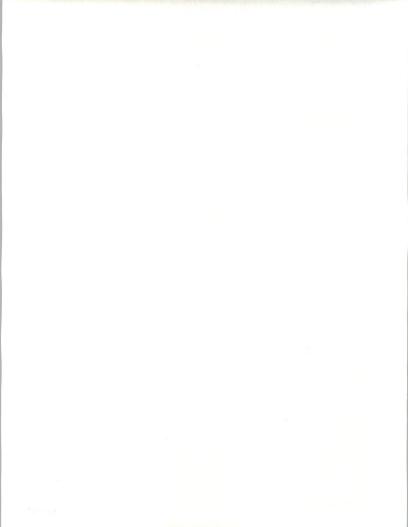
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- **B.** Publishing:
  - Huge Potential Market
  - Easily Adaptable to a Broad Selection of Vertical Markets
  - Some CSC Retail Presence
  - Best CD ROM (Standalone) Market to Date, Creating Opportunity to Network Installations



### **INFONET BEST OPPORTUNITIES**

- C. Fortune 1000 Companies:
  - Sales Catalogue/Configurator/Order Entry
  - Very Broadly Applicable, International
  - No Competition
  - Sales/Marketing Can Be Piggybacked



### **NETWORK FIT**

- Best Network Opportunities Are Being Handled
  In-house
  - Prentiss Hall (PHINET)
  - Dow Jones
  - Lotus
  - Quotron, Telerate et al
- Transfer Applications Are Therefore Unlikely Target
- Hybrid Applications Demand Specialized Marketing to Develop; Network Is often Not Used in Current, Pre-CD ROM Environment
- Gateway Approach Could Be Best Bet; Leverages High Volume Transactions on Captive Networks

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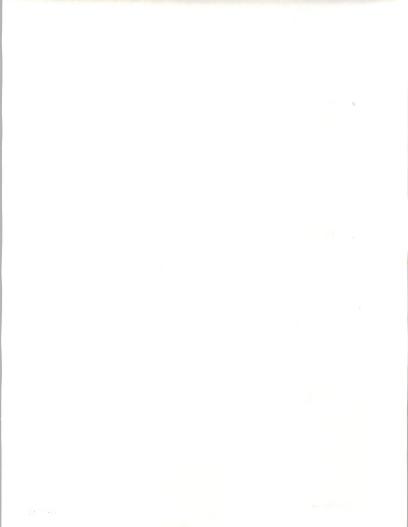


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### CONCLUSIONS

- Realistically, CD ROM Is Unattractive to INFONET:
  - Lack of Large Commercial User Base to Leverage
  - Lack of Commercial Marketing Muscle to Drive New Opportunities
- CD ROM Technology Is Secondary to Application Knowledge and Presence in Best Markets:
  - Publishing/News Products
  - Libraries Services
  - Legal Services
  - Securities/Financial Services
  - Medical Services



## CONCLUSIONS

- CD ROM, per se, Does Not Have Large Market Potential until 1988+: Market Will Not Top \$1 Billion until 1991. As a Result There Is No Hot Short-term Potential for INFONET.
- CSC Should Consider a Strategic Alliance with Company in CD ROM Technology. Explore Market Potential.

