
Subject: Re: Mac OSX

Posted by [Dick Jackson](#) on Wed, 10 Oct 2001 19:21:50 GMT

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"Colin Rosenthal" <colinr@toliman.uio.no> wrote in message

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> On Tue, 09 Oct 2001 17:44:57 GMT,

> Dick Jackson <dick@d-jackson.com> wrote:

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>> Does anyone else agree that PC and Unix IDL users *also* benefit from the

>> fact that IDL reaches to the Mac platform? To my mind, knowing that code

I

>> develop on PC can (in general) run on Mac as well adds value to my work,
and

>> I'd think it reasonable to consider some of PC and Unix
licence/maintenance

>> fees as going to support Mac development.

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> Absolutely. I don't use a Mac myself but I share code with colleagues who
do.

This leads, of course, to the corollary that RSI is not just dropping the
Mac platform, but are then *diminishing* the power of the IDL product they
continue to sell for PC/Unix! I wonder how much they'll reduce our
licence/maintenance fees to account for this... :-/

(Boy, this is sounding a little like "an attack on one platform is an attack
on us all", but let's be peaceful in our response!)

Cheers,

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-Dick

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