
Subject: Re: Mac OSX

Posted by [Pavel A. Romashkin](#) on Wed, 10 Oct 2001 04:28:11 GMT

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Ok, since we are outpouring our feelings here - I will, too. I did already sent this to RSI, but I think I will duplicate it to specific people there and - what the heck - mail a printout of it was well.

Dear RSI,

I would like to convey my deepest dissatisfaction with the recent decision to discontinue IDL support for the Macintosh.

Our research group uses Macs as a platform of choice for historical reasons. I was very pleased to discover that IDL for the Mac was made available, and immediately wrote a number of applications that we use for processing atmospheric measurements and climate data. We in our group were looking forward to the OSX release which promised to be one of the best versions of IDL ever. Now, it appears that we were betrayed in our trust.

I am asking that my protest be forwarded to officers in your company who are in charge of decision making. NOAA that I work for recently bought a site license and our Macs are using that to run IDL. I feel cheated to end up not being able to use IDL when a site license is available. I played my role in NOAA's purchasing the site license by responding to agency-wide survey and saying that I will use IDL daily on my two G4 Macs.

I am asking that RSI delivers OSX version as promised, and continues to support IDL for Macintosh.

Sincerely,
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