
Subject: Re: Mac OSX

Posted by [Noam R. Izenberg](#) on Fri, 12 Oct 2001 15:01:58 GMT

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JD Smith wrote:

And here's a few more I found, from the competitive upgrade offer to

> former Mac MatLab users (granted its from 1997/98...):

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> "The decision to drop Matlab on the Macintosh came as a great
> surprise. As a software company with many satisfied Macintosh
> customers, Research Systems considers the Power Macintosh an
> important platform for technical data analysis and
> visualization, both now and in the future."

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> "Research Systems is strongly committed to supporting the MacOS
> on PowerPC-based platforms....

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> Taoist lesson of the day: though your words are honey sweet, you speak
> with a forked tongue.

And so they were three years ago, and, I'm convinced, they'd still like to be. I've been told (paraphrasing here) that that specific Matlab conversion campaign got RSI basically _nothing_. It was a major demonstration (apparently one of many over recent years) that the mac market was getting ever-less hospitable. I still wish they'd been able to hold off the decision 0.5 to 1 year later than they did, but how many statements made by any tech company (hard or soft) at the height of the

Net boom still hold much water today? Wasn't PSINet buying stadiums around then?
