Subject: Re: Any update on OS X
Posted by John McLeod on Mon, 18 Mar 2002 12:27:55 GMT
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I have been in communication with RSI over the last couple of days and
would characterize their response as helpful and cautiously optimistic on
this issue. I had suggested, by-the-way, that they reply to the first post
in this chain,
and that the poster was not the only one concerned about OS X support.
In any case, a query on OS X directed at support@rsinc.com (for those with
support)
might be a good and timely idea.

"Kenneth Bowman" <k-bowman@null.tamu.edu> wrote in message
news:k-bowman-1F73A0.10441917032002@news.tamu.edu...
> In article <a6sfoelhg1@news.lth.se>,
> Struan Gray <struan.gray@sljus.lu.se> wrote:
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>> Has anyone receieved any info on the proposed
>> solution(s) for IDL on Mac OS X?
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> I recently submitted a bug report for IDL 5.5 running in Classic
> mode under OS X. The reply included this
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>> Unfortunately, since we do not have an operable Mac OSX machine
>> inhouse and do not plan to continue the support for
>> Macs; I needed to research the bug on other OS systems ...
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> I hope this is just poor communication between support and development,
> but I am very concerned. I just spent a lot of money based on their
> press release of 2001-12-03, which said ...
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>> RSI plans to provide a special pre-release of IDL for Mac OS X
>> to customers in Q1, 2002, and officially release the final version
>> based on customer feedback from the pre-release.
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> The press release also said ...
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>> For the Macintosh OS X platform, RSI will be providing a native
>> release using Tenon Intersystems' Xtools X-Windows server, giving
>> customers the benefit of OS X's Unix core while providing a Motif
>> interface similar to that provided on other Unix platforms.
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> I submitted a question to info@ResearchSystems.com inquiring
> about whether the upcoming OS X version would work with other
> X Windows servers (e.g. eXodus). So far (3 weeks later), I have received
> no reply. Not even a "sorry, we don't know" or "sorry, we can't answer
> that".

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> Since I need X Windows servers now, I expect that I will have to go ahead
> and spend ~$600 for software that will either be redundant (if I
> buy XTools) or unusable (if I buy eXodus) when (if) IDL for OS X ships.
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> Ken