Facet *Win*® Version 3 Slated for Release

Internet Modem Server and PC Backup Added to All-in-one Windows to UNIX Integration Software Solution

Facet*Corp* will release Facet*Win* Version 3 in October. Version 3 adds a new Internet Modem Server feature and PC Backup utility. Both features can be configured through the PC Agent, a new graphical interface for the user.

The Internet Modem Server feature allows PC users to share a bank of UNIX modems in order to access the World Wide Web and for use with other Windows 95/98 applications. Many small to medium-sized companies are still looking for an economically efficient way to get Internet access for their employees. Facet*Win's* Internet Modem Server provides an exciting new option for businesses with a UNIX server. Facet*Win* Version 3 offers both increased user productivity by providing

immediate Internet access from the PC, and reduced hardware and telephony costs by not requiring the installation and maintenance of a separate modem and phone line for each PC.

The PC Backup/Restore feature provides the UNIX system administrator and individual PC user with the capability of backing up PC files to a UNIX system disk or tape. This completely new PC Backup includes such functionality as full or incremental backup, data compression, backup of multiple PCs (in one operation), to multiple tapes and multiple tape drives, large file support (over 2GB), and automated/scheduled operation. The user may select PC files for backup through the easy-to-use, Explorer-type interface. Most companies today are still not doing an adequate job of backing up files on employee PCs.

With the PC Backup feature in Facet*Win* Version 3, companies can easily and cost effectively reduce the risk of data loss. Facet*Win* Version 3 also comes with a new PC Agent component that runs on the Windows PC. In addition to allowing the user to manage their modem access configuration and PC Backup settings, the PC Agent allows coherent messages to be sent to the user from the Facet*Win*

file/print servers, as well as providing a means for the system administrator to send direct messages to the user(s).

"The Internet Modem Server in Facet*Win* Version 3 is an exhilarating feature that will fill a void in today's UNIX market," said Bill Demers, Marketing Manager with Facet*Corp*. "The PC Backup/Restore function is a powerful addition that completes Facet*Win* as an all-in-one Windows to UNIX integration software solution. Facet*Win* Version 3 is in a class above other connectivity tools since it is a complete solution, but packaged and priced like a single feature product."

Release of
Facet*Win*® Version 3

About Facet*Win*

Facet*Win* provides a complete solution for Windows-to-UNIX integration, including transparent file and print services, terminal emulation, Internet modem server, PC backup/restore, POP 3 email server, single sign-on (SSO) and graphical administration. Facet*Win* includes an all-in-one feature set that allows users of Windows and Windows NT PCs to transparently access and use the UNIX network resources (such as files, disks, Windows applications, and printers).

Facet*Win* differs from existing connectivity alternatives in three important ways.

1 At a technology level, Facet*Corp* based the file and print services in Facet*Win* upon the Common Internet File System (CIFS) formerly known as SMB. This is the primary system that Microsoft Windows uses for networking PCs. Many other connectivity products use the UNIX-oriented Network File System (NFS) method of loading NFS software on the PC to enable it as a UNIX NFS client. Instead, Facet*Win* provides a UNIX CIFS server (that requires no additional software to be loaded on the PC) to get transparent file and print services. CIFS was chosen for Facet*Win* because it is extremely easy to install and administer (since Facet*Win* administration can take place from the UNIX server), and because of its good performance.

2 From a product packaging and customer value standpoint, Facet*Corp* has bucked the trend to unbundle and sell individual components separately. Instead, Facet*Win* provides a complete all-in-one PC/UNIX integration software package. By continuing to price it as a single feature product (even when adding new features!), Facet*Win* competes very well when the customer is looking for only a single integration component (i.e. file/print services), and the additional features simply become a strong differentiator. Of course, the Facet*Win* value becomes even more apparent when more than one feature is needed (i.e. file services and terminal emulation, or Internet modem services).

3 From a technical support perspective, Facet*Corp* is unmatched in the industry. Whether a presale evaluation, or an existing customer call, Facet*Corp* provides free technical support for their products. Customers continue to be amazed when they call with technical questions, and they are readily able to talk to a real person who has detailed knowledge of Facet*Win* and networking in general.

Facet*Win* Version 3 pricing will be based on the number of users, and remains unchanged from Facet*Win* Version 2. Pricing begins at $195 for a single user with discounts for multi-user licenses. Facet*Win* Version 3 will be available at no charge to all Version 2 users who are currently under maintenance. For existing Facet*Win* customers not under maintenance, upgrades to Version 3 are available at approximately 65% off from list pricing. Facet*Corp* offers free 30-day evaluation copies of the product from their World Wide Web site (www.facetcorp.com) and through their established channel of worldwide distributors.

Upgrade Pricing
U.S. only

1 user	$95
5 users	$298
10-24 users	$56/user
25-49 users	$51/user
50-99 users	$47/user
100-249 users	$44/user
250-499 users	$41/user
500-999 users	$39/user
1000+ users	$37/user

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Challenge

Administaff was founded in 1986 with the goal of offering employment solutions that benefit the individual and the businesses where they work. A simple but dependable network was implemented to fulfill the requirements of their unique business. The Administaff computing environment is purely an ethernet (TCP/IP) topology network. The main database services run on an IBM RS/6000. Employees have Windows 95 and NT workstations as their desktop devices. The Administaff written applications create ASCII files (reports or status files) on UNIX that need to be shared through Windows. Joe Miller, Director of Information Technology with Administaff, was looking for a way to share the UNIX application files. "We evaluated some NFS-based file sharing solutions, but administration was a problem and permissions didn't work correctly," explained Miller.

"FacetWin was very simple to implement. It was load-and-go!"

Joe Miller

Director of Information Technology

Success Story: Administaff, Inc.

Solution

Administaff implemented a 700-user license of Facet*Win* at their headquarters and another 700-user license in their backup and recovery facility in Dallas. The main product we produce is paychecks, so we need a redundant networking system to ensure that our employees get their paychecks on time, said Miller. Miller explained how Facet*Win* is transparent to the user, "When the user signs on to the Windows network, the initial login script mounts the UNIX share just like another drive on their PC. The bulky NFS-based solutions required a lot of support calls because of shares dropping off and other file permission problems. Facet*Win* has increased productivity by decreasing internal support problems," said Miller. When asked about Facet*Corp*'s technical support Miller replied, "I had to call the support line with a question about how to do something. I received help right away, and my question was answered on the first call. The support has been excellent."

Corporate Profile

Administaff is a Professional Employer Organization that is headquartered on a 10-acre campus in the Houston suburb of Kingwood, Texas. Administaff maintains service centers in both Kingwood and Dallas with plans for an additional service center in Atlanta.

Dilemma

A simple way to share UNIX ASCII files and reports was needed. Several NFS solutions were evaluated, but proved to be too difficult to manage and did not function properly.

Resolution

A 700-user license of Facet*Win* was installed on the RS/6000 in Kingwood, Texas, and another 700-user license in Dallas, Texas. Users can now transparently access and share the UNIX files without any problems.

System Snapshot	
UNIX Servers:	IBM AIX
Clients:	Windows 95 and NT
Facet*Win* User Count:	1,400

BRAIN TEASER

The square root of 169 is 13. Take the last digit of the original number, 9, and place it in the middle, making 196. The square root of 196 is 14, one number above 13.

What are the next two consecutive numbers which also have this property?

For the answer to this brainteaser, please refer to our website: www.facetcorp.com. You may also send an email to marketing@facetcorp.com or send a fax to Facet*Corp* Marketing 972/612-2035.

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FacetWin Version 3 Major Feature Summary:

1. File Services

FacetWin enables users to view, access and save files, as well as launch Windows applications located on a UNIX server, without the hassle of copying files back and forth. UNIX disks simply appear in the "Network Neighborhood."

2. Print Services

FacetWin allows Windows users to access any UNIX printer directly from their Windows application. The product also lets UNIX users and applications print to PC printers.

3. Terminal Emulation

FacetWin includes support for the most widely used terminal emulation families including Digital's VT series, SCO/ANSI color console, Wyse, and IBM. Terminal emulation allows PC users to work with UNIX-based applications by emulating a UNIX work environment. The terminal emulation in FacetWin also includes the unique Window Watch™ and QuickLaunch™ features. **Simple Sign-On™** (SSO) gives the user UNIX file/print services and terminal emulation access, all from their single network login.

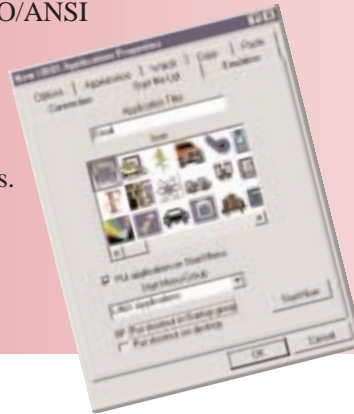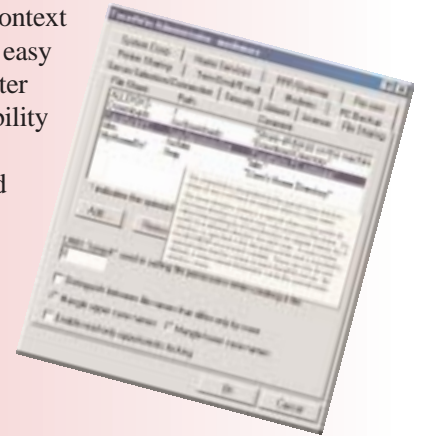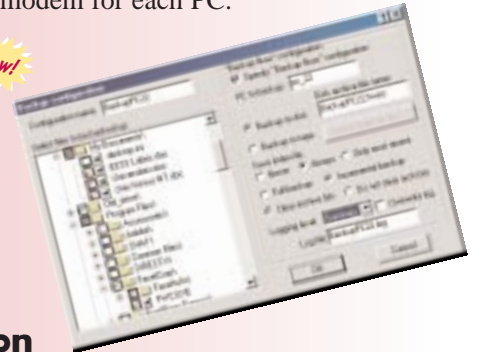## 4. Internet Modem Server *New!*

Allows PC users to access a pool of modems on the UNIX server(s) to provide Internet access without requiring a separate phone line and modem for each PC.

5. PC Backup *New!*

Lets the system administrator or user set up the PC for ad-hoc or regular backup of PC files.

6. Graphical Administration

Graphical properties administration from Windows with context sensitive help that allows for easy configuration of file and printer sharing. Provides more flexibility in server selection and easier set-up for modem, e-mail and terminal emulation.

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Upcoming Trade Show

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