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## **Browser Marketing FY99**

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## **Current Situation**

■ Top Account Status

Midyear

● 41% installed Base Share (+5%)

36%

accounts >= 65% Share (AT&T, MCI, MindSpring, GTE)

88%

• 76% Run Rate Share

• Base is 7.6MM users

7.1MM

#### Breadth ISPs

### Switching

- Completed Programs
  - Concentric (+14%), Sprint (+3%), Prodigy
- - Custom top account programs: AT&T, Prodigy, Netcom, GTE(?)
     Only missing Earthlink/Sprint and IGN in terms of Top 5 opportunities
  - Speed you Need Depth 5 accounts closed, targeting 10
  - Speed you Need Breadth 21 accounts participating

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Update on Netscape activities, travads.
Competitive environment Chayed - how?

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# **Learnings this Quarter**

## IE 4 is fundamentally not compelling

- Not differentiated from Netscape v4 − seen as a commodity
- Increases, does not decrease support costs
- ⊙ No "grass roots" end user demand for the browser
- → Too many B.S. business issues (channels, AD, branding, etc.)

#### .= 2 ISP levers only: cost and revenue

- > ⊙ Switching programs are not appealing at all
  - · Speed You Need didn't sell to the top guys despite
    - Proven, compelling offer
    - Opportunity to make money
    - Little effort required on their part
  - · Somewhat difficult sell in the depth accounts
- To ISPs want help recruiting new users; ask us to change the offers
  - · Example: Concentric "refer a friend" program
- Support cost risk blocks most programs
  - · AT&T Customer Care: "Why do we want to break a user who's working?"

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## Performance vs. Goals

### ■ Original goal was 900K via partners

### ■ Tracking to 569K partner switchers

⊚	Original Plan	Current Expectation
⊙ Top Accounts	400,000	300,000 maximum
Field Depth	200,000	60,000
⊙ Breadth	100,000	6-100,000
⊙ OEM	200,000	109,000
⊙ Overali Goal	was 900,000	is 569,000

### ■ Budget was not the issue

- Accounts wouldn't take the money for switching!
- Pay-for-performance constraint very hard
- Netcom: "You charge us \$15, why can't we charge you the same?"
- ⊙ ISPs want to offer Speed You Need to get new users
- Top accounts demanded custom deals; ignored program
  - "If I go with this program, how do I differentiate my offer?"

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**Top Account Programs** 

#### ■ AT&T - 300K potential; 90K yield

© Combined new user / switcher campaign; we're funding up to 150 "critical" end user support calls per week for 12 weeks.

#### ■ Prodigy - 276K potential; 83K yield

 Hit technical issues upgrading old Nav users. Targeted Classic users instead. Performance based.

#### Netcom – 300K potential; 90K yield

© Co-funding user base service distribution. Part of the default install process.

#### ■ GTE - 120K? potential; 36K yield

Would be Speed You Need, pending upgrade of GTE POPs.

#### **■ Field Accounts**

Verio, IDT, NAIS, Paracomm, one other. (5)Expect 5 more accounts – total 10, vs. goal of 20.

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# **New Strategies**

### Adopt a "Commodity" Sales Model

- Differentiate service, support, relationship
- On't fool around with price or trying to switch based on quality
- Need to work hard to differentiate the product

### ■ Shift Emphasis to Windows and IE5

- O Invoke the "BradC Law of Platform Upgrades"
- o Sell in Win98, NT4, NT5
  - AT&T, MCI, and others are already asking for this
- Start constructing solid, tight upgrade and distribution programs for launch

#### Need to drive end user demand

OISPs won't push a browser upgrade

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