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5/8/96 SMG Meeting

Premium Card Product -

- Must it go to board?

- Which board?

(no!)

American Express Discussion

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P-0292

Black/white

HCL: Proposed less b/w approach... maybe w/ clever rules

RNC: Amex lacks scale + fees to build business & expand acceptance

Take it further... our pricing is same for Amex as well
need holistic view

Weller: Merchants are brand indifferent... they won't volume

Kush: Why not embrace to fill in our product gaps like corporate card.

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JUT: would be restalers. Why give them a life line?

Hogan: Crappy PR reality is what you'll get
won't get portfolio, concessions
would be brutal / ruthless

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AJH: Soft stand vis a vis Amex will render us SOL
on credit...

Amex has money, position... Amex looking for a
handful of partners. More at risk than just
credit card

COT: Northwest considering using Amex - have leveraged
visa/MC for share of wallet to fullest
expense

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HEL: This is a global problem - not a regional issue

WS: Not a good thing for MasterCard
How could we be ruthless to Amex... handle the way
Microsoft would. Be a strong competitor

HEL: Could HEL issue a rule/restriction on certain banks
until board meets

AJH: Pioneer doing well; good product initiatives

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HEL: Don't want to legitimize this
MC might doesn't believe it's best interest
will seek board's ultimate decision and advise accordingly.

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tel: For purposes of Netanya Exce. Co analysis - consider
not having a binary set of rules. Maybe there's
 a business opportunity there

Amex - #1 topic on June SMG meeting

Topic #1 - Summary of Planning Session

	<u>Target</u>	<u>staff numbers</u>	Regional
GDV	\$ 645 B	\$ 611 B	
Rev.	\$ 994 MM	942 MM	942 MM
Exp	\$ 928 MM	* 880 MM	911 MM
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	\$ 66 MM	6.6%	31
			32

* very soft
 best guesses
 strategic investments (~~31 mm gap~~ - ~~60-70 mm gap~~)

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<u>Revenue</u>	<u>97 P</u>	
A/P	107.8	$\rightarrow 114$
Canada	23.4	
Europe	45.0	Current Target = 6.6%
L/A/C	63.5	
M/E/A	17.3	
US	577.6	
GDH	63.1	
Other	28.8	
		941.4

People need to be real clear:

- HEL: 1) Need to zero base costs - marketing expenses
 2) Need to be real creative about generating new revenue.

Rax: Any possibility of profit sharing if a region exceeds target?

HEL: Heard it was going forward...

WIS: Departmental ~~standards~~ budgets must comply w/ guidelines at a minimum

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MCS: all planning coordinators have a very detailed schedule

June 5-7 = BPM

~~June 15~~

Now → July: banner plan efforts should be underway.

Banner plans due in 1st week of July.

SMG discussion of budgets + plans on September 10

RNC: MCCR — issuing region gets revenue.....
Needs to be a fee sharing arrangement —
Acquiring / issuing sharing.....

Direct airway costs / allocating revenue

FC: Supported + summarized the first of the 160 discussions

WIS: \$20MM advertising strategy fund ~~expenditure~~ expenditure...

AJH: U.S. members are sensitized to funding low... from a strategy fund perspective ... \$20MM is < give back from a U.S. perspective

HCL: CA/C ; U.S. ; GDA = supply

ALP ; Europe = uses

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HER: Alan under pressure on revenues. Concerns
 1) concerned about lowballing expenditures
 2) strategy funds is the ~~the~~ plethora of
~~missing~~ projects

AJH: Trying to position that there was a return
 to region from Strategy fund. Not
 going to ask for same level in 1997

WJL: Strategy fund - must have returns...
 GM & agreed. Shouldn't be ~~ever~~ doing
 things specially... should follow
 process. IS:1. ROE commitment

HER: Held accountable for transgressing
 the peers. Getting hide bound
 regarding our own process.
 How do we achieve objective -
 of not putting undue price pressure
 on AJH

AJH: Thought this was a strategic fund request...
 Can't keep U.S. books straight w/ company books.
 Doesn't want to have to "Sell" a decrease
 in U.S. advertising when you're
 increasing revenue.

HER: Make start fund U.S. Books as strategy fund

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1st Quarter Review~~1st Q~~

Actual Results - ahead of plan due to sale of MAPP
(MAPP expenses), timing on Mandex

Issues -

- 1) PSA Project \$18.2MM
- 2) E&I Marketing Agmt 10.0
- 3) PR 3.0
- 4) Mandex?
- 5) Brand building program
- 6) Consumer research
- 7) 2 employee meetings \$0.0
- 8) Neural Network 1.3

triple check.
accrued last year.
balance sheet items that
have to be funded
from the balance
sheet

Need an accrual policy - this illustrates it -- so people
accrue the same way

M&E: Should show a positive variance of \$10MM
vs. budget

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WTS: Redway cancellation clauses for ongoing service contracts. ~~For projects~~

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FC: MCLR \rightarrow unearned income (deferred liability)
\$15mm = collected + unspent

No year lag....

Expect \$55mm of MCLR in 1996

YE 18.4 includes unused ~~\$14 mm~~ 1995 fees
~~(~~\$14 mm~~)~~

Total good news story for A/P
on revenue

~~JWR:~~

AER: CA/mkt/E \rightarrow Believes there's \$10mm

KNC: Brazil is a big issue....
Well win or lose in next 8 months
Have asked staff to review budgets in CA/E

AJH: U.S. incentives could range from
\$38 to 48mm
incentives = debit not credit.

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~~SECRET~~

HMs: GDA revenue going solidly
^{21.0}
~~SECRET~~

JWR: Forecast @ ~~SECRET~~ mm net tax vs. \$54mm budget
~~SECRET~~ as of April. How do we
 get this back?

AJH: \$20-22 MM short of budget (~~\$32 mm~~)

HER: What to do?

AJH: Not real comfortable w/ projects...

~~SECRET~~ people are overly conservative
 w/ forecasts.

GHN: Why not offset vars MOPP gain - leaves 12mm gap

FC: 10 & 12 solved by over-arrival of Europe

HER: What's our target operating margin for 1986

MJS: 4.6% operating margin ($\pm \$40M$)

FC: Important to hit targets

- capital adequacy
- launching rigorous (3) year effort
- shouldn't be done (w/budget review) as a reaction

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Tom: Real issue - we will need to accelerate the development of our core systems redevelopment effort

GTM: We did a rigorous budget process - would hate to go through an unnecessary witch hunt people need to be held accountable

JWT: Need to find additional sources of funding

COT: Inc - have seen an endless # of unplanned business cases already this year that are pre-committed.

~~RE~~
RK: Can we get more revenue out of APP & Europe

FC: Not tough

HEC: Can we find \$ to 20 mn from purchased services this year?

RNC: What about over-budget heads requiring all signs off

(large)
 out convictions
 no doesn't mean no

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Collective guilt hides a lot of sin

EJH: ~~Who's~~ Who's guilty?

AJH: - Should meet plan - end of story

- Spend a lot of time managing #'s & finances and we're in the middle of a share war

- Need a framework

- U.S. variance (share incentive, + advertising spend)

- no flexibility

LM: Purchased Services over \$300mm...

~~We~~ We don't have to pull back too much to save money

~~Re~~ HEL: would expect to find 4-5-20mm in purchased services

LNC: Rewarding feeling that not everyone is pulling their own weight ... people - why put them through this if everyone doesn't do this w/ same discipline

LNC: Well just go through some scrubbing process as (2) years ago... will see what we find...

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- Jem:
- we aren't disciplined
 - people who don't meet budgets shouldn't get ~~the~~ bonuses
 - forecasts are a license to kill - ~~the~~
license to increase budgets

WTJ - It's don't show commitments that have been through April

H2 - People know run rates in last months & year + perceive to inflate next year's budget

- ① We should meet plan (\$54Bn)
- ② Purchased Services ~~should we review?~~
- ③ Take everyone back to the ^{budget} forecast + hold accountable

WTJ - Hold people to budgets?

H2: Proposal

- ① Costs unacceptable ... b.v. must manage to original budgets for the remainder of the year

(cost sides unacceptable - manage to fit last (3) quarters of the year)

Must live w/ fy budget

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RNC: what if they don't? what if they
don't deliver?

WJS: will directly affect compensation...
must take a hard look at
financial responsibility of
the individuals

Her: FCST's unacceptable
will adhere to 1996 budgets ^{unless}
not ready to address forecast ^{now}
not ready to address ~~units~~ for not coming in on budget
~~penalty~~

TJW: This is a dynamic business - need to have flexibility to

WJS: High degrees of embedded ^{address}
revenue. Revenue we don't have ^{opportunities}
to work too hard to get

TJW: \$16MM in A/P - tied to revenue (max) - must do
P&L neutral items ^{order}

Her: will take the \$20MM as his own hit. Her's problem.
to battle + meet budgets

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HEL: If he has "we're in trouble"

Global Board / Exec Agenda

Exec:

- 1) Monday as a strategic matter on Exec Committee
- 2) ~~the government~~ Strategic Matter -
Canada non-duality Agreement

Global

- 1) Richard will do A/C update -
no write-ups from others - to be
handled under Pres. Report
- 2) 1 page write-up

Note: presentation on Monday U.S.
write-up on min 1
info item to A/C board

To
 { U.S. Board }
 U.S. Resolution re: Border USA
 subject to

Need Int'l Interchange
 Review w/ SMCR ??
 6/4 or 6/5

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Send copy to
EP agreement
to Ed Hogan

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Europe

- Current situation is very tender + very confused
- Williams causing problems
- Mondex causing angst
- Next week - Rickelt has call a mtg of European Members of MC board to draw up a list of grievances
- will take agreement forward in June. will get MC board approval with timeframe for Sept to get on board - at end of period we proceed
- ~~Re~~ Hardcastle helping us... German's want to know our perspective on all the things Ron's been saying - and want to square our tariffs
- ~~REDACTED~~
- This is all about maternal people trying to protect their jobs

RBC → Be/Bella
June board info
item

phone # for O'Connor
to Ed Hogan
Dr. Kevin O'Connor
whele ..

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- Effect & Foot
 - To effect something
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Product Development

Product Development Process

RNC: How do we deal w/
Member-specific product
development effects

RB: Front end of review process = quick screen

FC: What about country-specific initiatives?
[redacted] would still need to go through
process

HRC: [redacted] Regions need to take product development
+ RNC seriously. Need to be
represented. LAC and A/P particularly

Need to convince Member relations/Regions / Users
that this is not bureaucratic

AJH: Past philosophical problems. Working well.
There is agreement

~~Each member~~ (Asia / Africa - Region Head Reports
| LA/C only

Budget units
to gene.

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Answers

Spondex → livestock tagging

Mars → loyalty

This is a make or buy decision - this is
a cost and time comparison... analysis
of features vs. cost vs. time

- Cost
- Time
- Functionality

Call Terri

Stored value //
Mars //
Spondex //
As not modifiable
global variable
structure. Isolate
sheet at stored value.

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Proposed Corporation

- ① A for-profit Corp. located in the U.K.
- ② MCI owns 51%.
- ③ MCI manages MXI
- ④ IPR:
 - MXI has exclusive license for Stined valve
 - MCI owns Mats
 - MXI has non-exclusive ~~the~~ license for Spanexp

Sticking Point - Putting another stored valve product on a member chip

All members have access to member. We've drawn this line in the sand. Some members may equal others (i.e., global founders)

{Stined valve
only}

Fair, open, non-discriminatory manner
right to use the product

(Issue)
(1) only member stored valve as Mats

Levels of Acrimony

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- 1) MC1 has rights for unclaimed territories
- 2) EPI will obtain rights for Europe from MC1
- 3) MC1 will commit to the Mandel's fees
as its only chip-based technology platform
- 4) MC1 will commit to some valve products
as its only SV product (BrandTbd)
- 5) Mandel's will establish monex operations
in their territories

MX1 -

- 1) MC1 pays £ 11.5 million over 2 years to Northwest
- 2) EPI pays £ 40 MM over 5 years
- 3) MC1 pays between £ 15 and £ 40 million
over 5 years

(Northwest)

all payments to ~~MC1~~ not its members

Branding - should be neutral across both associations

Must conduct due diligence. If no compromise of
lines in sand - well take
(cheap + cheerful solution) to June board for
decision

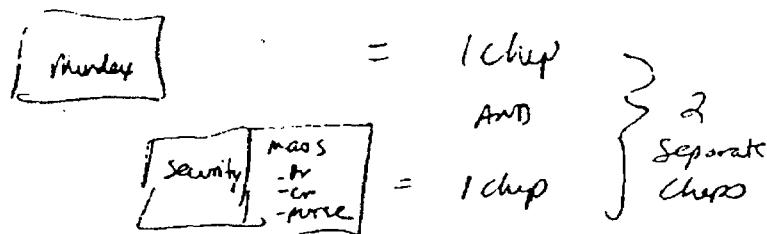
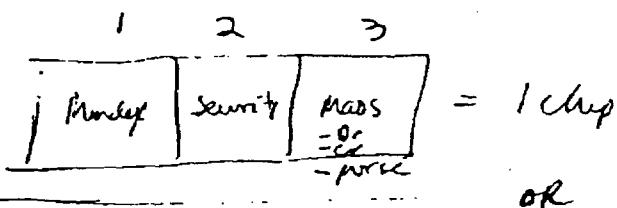
HER: BMO wants us to make sure
that we keep our options open

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Her: Rest of news w/ Monex is can we make money or save money. This is the basis for our houses. best deal vs. "profit" opportunity
~~test~~

Just because we're studying doesn't mean we'll buy... trying to keep us in the game



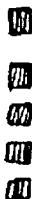
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Her: Have we thought thru
finding for counterfeit + risk
& MXI's obligation. Need to
think this through from distributor +
fender + MXI standpoint

GHM: Concerned about need for communications
plan. At one side we're saying we're
an open system but Monex USA
is hardly open. We as well use this
against us.

More than stored value \rightarrow its other technology
need to get word out



brand value transaction

bring item back in June w/ financial analysis

TEAM

- (1) will go for a 70% register last year
- (2) her ~~next~~ Team Award based on TEAM
- (3) trying to figure out how to
invigorate TEAM

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- (1) Attrition rates were 50% of what consultants calculated
we had 18% attrition.

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