Prescience Introduces Heliglyph

Prescience, Inc. has introduced Hieroglyph, a UNIX office automation product that integrates text processing, graphics, document aids, document filing, data handling and production tools into one software package.

Hieroglyph features include the following capabilities: hardware independence, application independence, the ability to run concurrent applications, the ability to work within the hardware window system, multiple-window editing, black-and-white or color image production, what-you-see-is-what-you-get on screen and in print, UNIX access, GKS access, full CAD graphics capabilities, the ability to embed graphics in text, the ability to scale graphics, foreign language capabilities, importation of ASCII text and graphics, support of laser printers, output to TROFF, spelling checker, proportional fonts, large font library, three user experience levels, plus menu and command languages.

Prescience currently offers Hieroglyph on the Sun Microsystems family of workstations. Major contracts with leading CAD workstation OEMs will be announced soon. Hieroglyph is targeted towards the electronic publishing, technical documentation, CAD/CAM/CAE, and office automation markets. Hieroglyph retails for $2400 on a quantity-one basis, with OEM discounts available. For further information, contact Prescience, Inc., 820 Bay Avenue, Suite 300, Capitola, CA 95019; (408) 462-6567.

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Decision Graphics Offers Graphics Data Transfer

Decision Graphics has introduced ACI and ACS, two new software packages for the AutoCAD system. ACI provides two-way conversion between AutoCAD 2.0 drawing interchange files and Intergraph design files. Graphics files created on either system can be converted for use on the other system.

The translation process is controlled by a specification file which allows the user to define the translation parameters. The translator allows the Intergraph user to select from several Intergraph cell library handling options, including creating a new cell library from the AutoCAD block definitions, using any existing cell library, and extending an existing cell library.

ACI was developed in response to the success of large CAD users and their desire to incorporate proven CAD technology. ACI executes on the Intergraph system version 8.0 or higher. The AUTOCAD system must also have the necessary hardware and software to transfer AUTOCAD Drawing Interchange Files to the Intergraph system.

The ACS package, designed for the IBM PC family and compatibles, makes it possible for smaller service bureau operations to use CAD technology and deliver ready-to-use products on their customers' large CAD systems.

ACS provides two-way conversion between AutoCAD 2.0 drawing interchange files and Intergraph ISIF files. The AutoCAD system must be version 2.0 or higher, and must also have the necessary hardware and software to transfer ISIF Interchange Files to the Intergraph system. The Intergraph system must be version 8.0 or higher and have an ISIF translator.

ACI is $4500; a demo tape is also available for $100. ACS is $1500. For more information, contact Decision Graphics, Inc., 555 Sparkman Drive, Suite 1622, Huntsville, AL 35816; (205) 837-7710.

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