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<http://www.smallbizserver.net/DesktopDefault.aspx?tabid=95>

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<http://microsoft.order-4.com/bts/>

<http://blog.seattlepi.nwsourc.com/microsoft/archives/002571.html?wbfrom=rss>

A story by BusinessWeek's Jay Greene, citing internal e-mails obtained by the magazine, says Microsoft is scaling back some of the features of Longhorn, the next version of Windows, to make sure it's shipped in the first half of 2006.

BW Online | April 19, 2004 | Online Extra: How Microsoft Is Clipping Longhorn:

http://www.businessweek.com/magazine/content/04_16/b3879009_mz001.htm

<http://www.betanews.com/article.php3?sid=1081545725>

To head off what some have described as a "perfect storm" Microsoft is paring down its next generation Windows release code-named Longhorn.

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Business Week is reporting that Microsoft will fall short of its aspirations to include the full scope of the Windows file-storage system (WinFS) in the operating system; instead, the software giant will focus on rolling out WinFS for the client – leaving network support to the dust.

The WinFS system along with the Indigo communications subsystem and Avalon graphical subsystem serve as the three technologies at the foundation of Longhorn.

According to Microsoft Watch, Microsoft Chairman Bill Gates publicly acknowledged that the Longhorn client will be pushed back well into 2006.

To fill the void left by the absence of Longhorn, Microsoft was expected to release an interim release of XP rumored to be called Windows XP "Reloaded". However, according to emails allegedly viewed by Business Week, those plans have been shelved indefinitely.

Instead Microsoft will deliver Windows XP Premium: a conglomeration of Windows XP Service Pack Two and Windows Media Player 10.

Windows Media Player 10 is Microsoft's attempt to outflank Apple by offering the MSN Music Store, and is set to include new digital rights management technology dubbed "Janus". Windows XP Premium will not be billed as an 'interim' release.

With Windows Longhorn, Microsoft has promised big. This, however, is not the first time Redmond has attempted a proverbial 'moon shot'.

Senior Jupiter analyst Joe Wilcox told BetaNews, "Microsoft's situation is like it was 10 years ago. It's interesting to see history repeat. The company had promised big things with Cairo, but executives faced increasing pressure to ship a new version of Windows. Microsoft also worried new competing products, such as IBM's OS/2 Warp, would eat away Windows market share. Funny how the characters are changed, but not the situation."

Jupiter's Wilcox continued, "Ten years ago, Microsoft shed features to get out Windows 95, which wasn't as revolutionary as the version 3.1 successor was supposed to be. Shedding features could put Longhorn on a similar track."

Linux's growing momentum and the continual delay of Longhorn is brewing what some have called a perfect storm. "Many Longhorn promised features are like those proposed for Cairo, Microsoft faces some pressure to ship and Linux could be the OS/2 of the day," said Wilcox.

830254 – How to move the client programs folder to another location in Windows Small Business Server 2003:
<http://support.microsoft.com/?kbid=830254>

828053 – ISA Server prevents connection to a remote desktop when you connect through Remote Web Workplace on a Windows Small Business Server 2003–based computer:

<http://support.microsoft.com/?kbid=828053>

830044 – Macintosh users cannot connect to Outlook Web Access (OWA) when OWA is hosted on Windows Small Business Server 2003:

<http://support.microsoft.com/?kbid=830044>

838304 – How to publish <http://Companyweb> to the Internet by using ISA Server 2000 on a server that is running Windows Small Business Server 2003, Premium Edition:

<http://support.microsoft.com/?kbid=838304>

839262 – Services may stop abruptly when you shut down or restart a Windows Small Business Server 2003–based computer:

<http://support.microsoft.com/?kbid=839262>

837849 – How to add an icon to Windows SharePoint Services to represent Adobe PDF documents that are stored in document libraries:

<http://support.microsoft.com/?kbid=837849>

825513 – How to use the SharePoint Administrator to upgrade to FrontPage 2002 server extensions on Windows Server 2003:

<http://support.microsoft.com/?kbid=825513>

839048 – "Could not instantiate control SharePoint:ProjectProperty" error message when you view a Windows SharePoint Services Web page:

<http://support.microsoft.com/?kbid=839048>

Netsky damages four sites

File-sharing network eDonkey's main Web site has been knocked offline following an attack from Netsky, but Kazaa has survived—so far. Earlier this week, file-sharing Web sites Kazaa and eDonkey and three other Web sites were bracing themselves for a distributed denial of service (DDoS) attack launched by variants of the Netsky worm.

http://zdnet.com.com/2100-1105_2-5187215.html

FDIC warns of scam targeting consumers' bank accounts

Consumers and financial institutions are being warned of a new e-mail scam that purports to be from the Federal Deposit Insurance Corp. and that advises consumers to click on an attached file for more information about alleged fraudulent activity regarding their bank accounts.

<http://computerworld.com/securitytopics/security/cybercrime/story/0,10801,92050,00.html>

Cisco bug could put hackers in driver's seat
Networking giant Cisco Systems warned customers on Wednesday about a security flaw that could compromise two products used to manage wireless local area network devices and data center switches. The company said in the warning posted on its Web site that a preset username and password coded into its Wireless LAN Solution Engine (WLSE) and Hosting Solution Engine (HSE) could give attackers complete control of the devices.

<http://zdnet.com.com/2100-1103-5187233.html>

<http://www.vnunet.com/News/1154178>

<http://computerworld.com/securitytopics/security/hacking/story/0,10801,92049,00.html>

Tracking the blackout bug
A number of factors and failings came together to make the August 14th northeastern blackout the worst outage in North American history. One of them was buried in a massive piece of software compiled from four million lines of C code and running on an energy management computer in Ohio.

<http://www.securityfocus.com/news/8412>

Email attack could kill servers
A crafty way of knocking out any email server using a few carefully constructed emails has been identified by a team of computer security experts. The trick involves sending forged emails that contain thousands of incorrect addresses in the "copy to" fields that are normally used to send duplicate messages.

<http://www.newscientist.com/news/news.jsp?id=ns99994858>

Is spim worse than spam?
Spim – Instant Message spam – is more than just a nuisance: It's a security risk. The recent "Osama Found" adware campaign and Bizex worm attack show how easily IM technology can be manipulated to fool users into opening malicious code.

http://www.theregister.co.uk/2004/04/08/spim_impact/

The spyware that loved me
The IT department finally came for my computer last week. For weeks I had been investigating companies that claimed to offer spyware-fighting software but secretly distribute spyware or

other advertising apps along with their products.
Because I wanted to put myself in the shoes of
the average computer user, I deliberately let
down my protections to load the applications
in question.

<http://zdnet.com.com/2100-1107-5187149.html>

Cost-cutting firms gamble with IT security

<http://news.zdnet.co.uk/internet/security/0,39020375,39151421,00.htm>

Giveaway of spammer's Porsche draws more than one million entries
America Online said its members have submitted
more than one million AOL screen names in the
Internet company's unorthodox drawing for
a spammer's seized sportscar.

<http://www.siliconvalley.com/mld/siliconvalley/news/editorial/8386972.htm>

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<http://www.sbslinks.com/really.htm>