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The Future of Domino and the WebSphere Platform

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The Notes/Domino platform has proven to be reliable infrastructure for email and collaborative applications over the past 13 years. Many organizations have spent significant time, training users, administrators, and developers on how to use Notes/Domino and spent even more time customizing and developing applications for this platform. So they are understandably apprehensive about the new strategic roadmap for Domino which includes moving them to a J2EE platform, underpinned by IBM Software Group infrastructure services such as Tivoli for management, DB2 for database, and most critically, Websphere for application server and enterprise portal duties.

In this presentation, META Vice President Craig Roth will dissect this strategy and identify the decision factors leading to either continued investment in an IBM/Lotus collaboration portfolio (e.g., Notes, Domino, QuickPlace, Sametime, Discovery Server) or migration away towards other market alternatives (e.g., Microsoft, content managers, portal providers or other collaboration products).

We believe that every Domino-centric organization must re-evaluate their long-term Domino strategy. This new IBM strategy will have significant impact on corporate application development, portal and content management strategies. IBM's move comes at a critical time in the evolution of collaboration services. The industry is moving away from monolithic collaboration suites such as Domino and Exchange, towards smaller collaborative components that will be embedded in business applications, a concept META calls contextual collaboration. Organizations, therefore, must pay close attention to collaboration strategies because it will ultimately create significant efficiencies by lowering business coordination costs.

Craig Roth

With more than 10 years of experience in systems development, Craig Roth is an industry expert advising clients on the process, technology, and organizational impacts of Web architecture strategies that have layered and componentized services (e.g., J2EE, Microsoft .Net). His research focuses on enterprise portal markets, frameworks and vendor assessment.

Mr. Roth is also a key team member of META Group's CRM Infusion program, concentrating on the technology issues surrounding CRM. Prior to joining META Group in March 1998, he led an advanced technology applications area at Discover Card, as manager, analyst, project manager, and developer. Prior to that, Mr. Roth was co-founder and operating partner of the Horizon Group, a software company with four successful

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