



OpenAxis News

Smart Solutions for Smart Enterprises

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NEWS SUMMARY

EarthLink Raises Rates

Following AOL's lead, EarthLink announced that it is raising its monthly rates by \$2 for basic, unlimited dial-up service.

Consumers More Confident In June

Consumer confidence improved for the second consecutive month in June reflecting optimism for an economic turnaround later this year, a business researcher said.

Online Ad ROI May Be Higher Than Estimated

Marketers who formally measure online branding may realize up to a 35 percent higher return on investment from their Internet advertising campaigns than they originally estimated, Jupiter Media Metrix said.

Life Tips

Whenever you find that you are on the side of the majority, it is time to reform.

— Mark Twain

OpenAxis News is intended to provide useful information regarding Information Technology to our clients and friends.

The news covers new version releases, hotfix file update, and some IT tips.

OpenAxis now provides the mid-market with robust yet easy-to-use manufacturing system

OpenAxis, Inc., announced the addition of a powerful and user-friendly manufacturing solution into our solution offerings. MISys/2000 provides scalable modular design to allow users to only acquire the modules that they need, and it is fully integrated with ACCPAC Advantage Series financial and operation suite. MISys/2000's modules include MISys/2000 Level 1, Level 2, Level 3, Bar-coding, Serial/Lot Tracking, and Bin Tracking.

As manufacturing operation involves more and more complex operation procedures, businesses become increasingly reliant on computer system to help them manage inventories and track manufacturing processes in order to efficiently operate on a

day-to-day basis.

The tracking of inventory movements and costs during work in process can be a difficult task to accomplish. However, with MISys/2000 Shop Floor control, tracking each shop operation is essentially as easy as performing regular manufacturing order. As you complete each shop operation, MISys/2000 updates the inventory records to show the correct quantities in stock and WIP.

Tedious physical inventory count performed monthly in most businesses is made easy through the use of MISys/2000 Bar-coding system. Using MISys/2000 Bar-coding system with its hand-held portable device, you can collect physical inventory counts by scanning a bar-coded label, then entering

the actual inventory count on the keypad. After the physical inventory is completed, the information in the portable device is uploaded to MISys/2000 Physical Inventory batch, ready for posting.

Built to complement ACCPAC Advantage Series, MISys/2000 utilizes ACCPAC user interfaces to promote shorter learning curve, while also provides direct integration with the modules in ACCPAC Advantage Series. Having manufacturing information readily available to the management can enforce quick decision-making and improve your organization's bottom line.

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Business Tips: How to cut communication cost

Many business owners point to communication costs as one of the largest expenses on their P&L statements. And with good reason - high-speed Internet connections, remote access, cell phones, wireless technology, and rising long-distance call volumes are all essential to running a competitive business. But they can cost a fortune!!

Internet-based telecommunications auc-

tion sites and aggregators (such as telzoo.com, demandline.com, telcoexchange.com, and bandwidth.com) offer small businesses the same market leverage and resulting discounts that have typically been available only to larger companies. These sites work because they are a win-win proposition for both buyer and seller. They link businesses with competitive telecommunications

At OpenAxis, we focus on the implementation of IT solutions for small- and medium-sized businesses.

We provide management and computer consulting services by identifying, implementing, and managing all your IT needs.

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- Other Integrated Solution
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providers who can't afford to deploy salespeople on smaller sales calls, while bringing the providers a large volume of business. Almost all of the portals are free to the buyer. That's because their money is made through commissions charged to the providers. Some of the sites actually help the buyer develop an RFP (Request for Proposal) and then post it for bids. Other sites are reverse auctions where the buyer posts the maximum amount that it's willing to pay for a service, and the providers can either accept the offer or bid lower if several providers are vying for the business. The buyer is not obligated to accept any bid. The actual transaction is finalized directly between the buyer and the provider.

Words of Advice

Don't make your decision on a telecommunication provider on price alone. It's important to check the provider's references carefully - Is their service reliable? Is the billing accurate? Are technical and customer support services adequate? Look at how the service performs in your specific area. And make sure additional fees, such as installation and account maintenance charges, are clearly spelled out. Finally, be wary of long-term contracts that can lock you into equipment and services that your company may outgrow down the road. If your business is overwhelmed by the options and the costs, telecommunications portals are a great way to simplify and save.

Microsoft Office Tips: Edit Cells Quickly in Excel—Without Using Your Mouse

If you like to use your keyboard for everything, editing a lot of data quickly in an Excel spreadsheet can be difficult because you find yourself constantly reaching for the mouse when you want to make changes to a cell. But there's a shortcut you can use so that your hands never have to leave the keyboard—press F2. Here's how:

Use the arrow keys to select the cell you want to edit.

Then press F2 (or COMMAND-U, if you use a Macintosh computer) to edit the cell contents.

When you're finished, just press ENTER (or RETURN on a Macintosh keyboard) to enter your changes. Or press ESC to cancel the changes.

Have a question for Microsoft Windows or Office Product?

Ask our specialist and they can answer on this newsletter.

Please feel free to email your question to techsupport@openaxis.com.

We've moved!!

Due to the expansion of our business, we moved to new office.

Effectively July 1, 2001, please update our mailing address, phone and fax numbers (Please see above).

