

An eComStation Update Life After 2.1

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Financial Results

2010 turnover was the best ever.
The trend continues in 2011.
Corporate and consumer sales continue to be strong.

Why corporations continue to buy eCS

They need to solve a business problem.

They have large, line of business applications running on Warp 3/4 and sometimes OS/2 2.1.

The installed hardware base is aging and needs to be refreshed.

The cost to move to a new platform is large.

Corporate sales are primarily to U.S companies.

The systems are often installed globally.

Virtualization usually is not an option.

Why Consumers Continue to Buy eCS

They have applications they want to run on eCS.

They prefer the WPS Desktop to the alternatives.

They believe eCS provides additional security.

What's really new for 2.1

The Disc Checker now has an easy to use GUI.

AiRBoot can be installed as a Boot Manager replacement.

- AiRBoot does not require a primary partition.
- AiRBoot can boot Windows Vista/7 preloads.

The os2ahci disk driver supports AHCI controllers.

The Power Manager increases laptop battery life.

What else is new for 2.1

The Danis506 disk driver will co-exist with the AHCI driver.

eCS 2.1 is available in both English and German.

What's happened since 2.1

The ACPI driver is beginning to improve rapidly.

- Current builds support more systems out of the box.
- Current builds include an integrated Power Manager.
- Current builds install with no user intervention on more systems.

Multimac Network driver development continues.

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What else

The AHCI disk driver has gotten minor updates.

The USB drivers have gotten major updates.

A major TCP/IP stack SMP defect has been corrected.

NLV development is proceeding for Dutch, French and Spanish.

Mozilla applications continue to get refreshes.

Flash development continues.

What's Coming

The AHCI driver will soon have full SMART support.

There will be continuing USB driver updates.

Some significant eWorkplace updates will be entering public beta.

The Mozilla applications will continue to get refreshes.

OpenOffice.org will be refreshed.

Java 1.6 will be refreshed.



There's more

The RPM installer will get wider use.

Sunny Icons may be integrated.

USB 3.0 support is in the planning stages.

EFI support is in the planning stages.

>2TB Drive support is in the planning stages.

How You Can Help

Join the developer community.

Be a tester - submit bug reports.

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