

POINT 4's PC CONNECTION: WIDE RANGE OF APPLICATIONS WITH MINICOMPUTER POWER

POINT 4 Data Corporation's PC CONNECTION combines the power and efficiency of its full line of multi-user business computer systems with the convenience and versatility of the personal computer. The PC CONNECTION presents the user with the opportunity to take advantage of the strengths offered by each class of product and to combine them to focus on the challenging problems in today's demanding business environment.

The PC CONNECTION is a software product which provides for the collaboration between a multi-user business computer based on POINT 4's IRIS* Operating System and an IBM*-compatible personal computer.

WHAT THE PC CONNECTION DOES

1. Permits an IBM or similar personal computer to be operated as a conversation video-display IRIS-type terminal with no modification to existing IRIS application software.

2. Provides transmission of data files including programs between the personal computer and "host" IRIS system.

3. Operates with the standard MS™-DOS Operating System on the IBM Personal Computer and its emulators.

With the PC CONNECTION, the user can employ the powerful business applications offered by POINT 4's worldwide network of over 150 value-added resellers as well as the popular decision support and financial modeling tools offered with a personal computer. Furthermore, the PC CONNECTION allows the features of both environments to be combined to enhance and protect the value of each.

PC CONNECTION BENEFITS

- Protects and enhances computer investments for a typical business
- Offers centralized control and security for personal computer data files and programs
- Provides on-line data storage

via fast, large-capacity, mass-storage system on the POINT 4 host

- Extends any IRIS-based system to include many popular, low-cost personal computer software packages for use with MS-DOS
- Extends the utility of the personal computer to run powerful IRIS-based business applications
- Versatility to alternate between personal computing and IRIS-based applications at the touch of a key

PERSONAL COMPUTER CONVENIENCE WITH MINICOMPUTER POWER

With the PC CONNECTION, the user has the advantage of operating the personal computer in either of two modes. It may be used in native mode, as a stand-alone personal computer, to execute the many popular MS-DOS applications readily available at computer stores. Alternatively, the user may employ the device as an interactive workstation to perform IRIS business applications. Furthermore, the user may alternate between the two operational environments at the touch of a key. When switching from one mode to the next, the user is always returned to the exact point of departure to resume processing. For example, while performing financial modeling exercises on the personal computer, the user could be interrupted to do a quick customer credit check on the IRIS business system, then return to the spreadsheet to resume where he left off.

ENHANCED DATA SECURITY AND INTEGRITY

In addition to performing double duty as both a personal computer



