

## Re: New OpenVMS–Integrity Video

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VAXman–@SendSpamHere.ORG wrote:

> In article <1110164660.97d1f060235acede8ac7ee82fd12e755@teranews>, JF

Mezei <jfmezei.spamnot@teksavvy.com> writes:

> >David J Dachtera wrote:

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> >> Yes. However, we want that message to be consistent. That is, VMS info.

> >> dissemination should not be exclusive of VMS systems (running Mozilla,

> >> Opera, Mosaic, ...).

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> Or of my Mac without having to pollute its pristine waters with the be-

> fouling stench of effluent from that Redmond cyber–sewage plant.

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> >Which si why choosing an open non proprietary standard to dissminate

> >information should be done. And that rules out Microsoft proprietary

> >video formats.

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> >If the microsoft video software is able to play standard formats such as

> >MPEG, then using open standards would only make VMS materials available

> >to a wider audience without preventing anyone from viewing it, as the

> >current proprietary format does.

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> Exactly. You and David and a few others seem to be able to grasp this

> but the current faineant owners of VMS remain clueless.

Maybe they will believe Microsoft then because even Windows Media 9 can produce (more or less) standards compliant output.

"Windows Media Video 9 VCM provides the quality and flexibility of

Windows Media Video without requiring the Advanced Systems Format (ASF) container. ASF is the container specification to which the familiar WMA and WMV files conform."

But as Windows Media player plays almost any format other than Real Media there is no need to use WM9 at all as the only distribution format for the media.

Typically movie trailers are released by the big film companies in an mpeg-4 format which all the major players (including Windows Media Player) can play. Very often with QuickTime recommended. VMS marketing is obviously aimed at a technically less aware audience than "Dude, Where's my Car."

Which reminds me. the trailers for Star Wars III and the Hitch Hikers Guide to the Galaxy Movie are worth a look. Oh and the new series of Doctor Who starts on the BBC in the UK later this month but I really am drifting off topic now.

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