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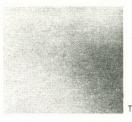
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<u>ASHTON-TATE RELEASES dBASE III, FRAMEWORK UPDATES</u>
<u>BOTH SUPPORT IBM PC/AT, AT&T 6300 PERSONAL COMPUTER</u>

CULVER CITY, Calif. -- Ashton-Tate's best-selling

software programs, dBASE III and Framework, will now fully

support the IBM PC/AT and the AT&T 6300 Personal Computer, the

leading microcomputer software publisher announced today (Nov.

14).

"Framework and dBASE III will allow owners of the IBM

PC/AT and AT&T 6300 Personal Computer to take full advantage of

the speed and power of this new breed of computer," said Edward

M. Esber, Jr., president and chief operating officer of

Ashton-Tate.

Along with support of the IBM PC/AT and the AT&T 6300

Personal Computer, the update of dBASE III, version 1.1, features

the ability to fully install dBASE III on hard-disk systems. End

users with hard-disk drives will be able to run the program

without keeping the dBASE III system disk in drive A.

All registered dBASE III and Framework users are eligible

to be updated, and will receive an order form by mail for version

1.1. Cost of the update for U.S. and Canadian licensees ranges

from $25 to $35 (U.S. dollars) depending on the type of return

shipping requested. Unregistered users who wish to register to

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receive update order forms should mail their registration card to Ashton-Tate, or call Ashton-Tate's Channel Support Department at (213) 204-5570. The update program expires January 31, 1985.

Ashton-Tate also announced the deadline for dBASE II users to exchange dBASE II for dBASE III at a suggested retail price of $200 has been extended to January 31, 1985. Exchange kits may be purchased from authorized Ashton-Tate dealers.

dBASE III is a powerful relational database management system for 16-bit and larger computers that is easy to learn and use. It allows the user to store, manipulate and retrieve large volumes of data and includes a programming language for the development of specialized applications. Since its introduction in June 1984, dBASE III has become the best-selling database management system for microcomputers.

Framework, a new concept in multi-function productivity software introduced in July 1984, combines the functions of a word-processor, spreadsheet, business graphics, database, telecommunications, an outline generator and a high-level programming language in one package.

Ashton-Tate will begin shipping Framework version 1.1 and dBASE III version 1.1 this month.

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