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Deep concern here and considerable disagreement between the users and the builders. The problems derived from

- (a) a lack of understanding of what's being designed (by the users)
- (b) The failure to accept the architectural limitations of the 11 (Modcomp, inst. set, etc.)
- (c) Too much faith in what will come out of Teicher's work (i.e. he'll extend upwards far enough into the 16 bit mid-range to satisfy you users, don't worry, have faith, etc.

We need considerably more discussion and interaction here.

My simple view at this point, yields a less complicated 11 strategy (than say Dick Clayton).

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Keep going Steve. Bill Long will write down complete functional specs with you.

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Two high end, systems machines of which neither will satisfy our competitive needs in terms of competitive, bench mark wise. One of them may have to go. Julius would like the 11/44 to be a hot 16 bit machine, a 11/40R and not a competitor to the 11/55. Keep going on the 11/55 as a marketing smoke screen. Again - mucho more discussion and planning needed here.

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See users desires. Is that what we are building? If so, users are happy.

Could we please start the discussion "in the middle" (11/44, 11/55) Friday A.M.? Please be prepared to start there.

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Attachments