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ALTOS EXPANDS 586 FAMILY OF MULTI-USER MICROCOMPUTERS

New System Features 40 Mb Storage; Optional Expansion To 80 Mb

ATLANTA, GA, COMDEX, April 27, 1983--Altos Computer Systems today announced the addition of an expanded memory capacity configuration to its 586 family of 16-bit networking multi-user microcomputers. The new 586-14 has 5 1/4" hard disk capacity of approximately 40 megabytes, and can be expanded to 80 Mb, double its capacity.

The 586 family is based on the 8086 microprocessor operating at a high performance 10 MHz. These systems run the powerful XENIX™ operating system which is Microsoft's implementation of Bell Laboratories' UNIX operating system.

The new systems, like the 12 Mb 586-10 system, will support both Altos-Net and Ethernet local area networking plus 3270, 3780, X.25 and SNA protocols. Main memory contains 512K bytes with optional expansion to 1 Mb RAM. Other features include intelligent hard disk and tape controller; memory management; six serial I/O ports with a factory expansion option to ten; battery-backed clock and calendar; multibus-type architecture; power failure detection; and, internal distributed intelligence.

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"The 586 system is one of the most versatile and expandible state of the art microcomputers on the market. The larger storage capacity of this newest version offers true minicomputer capability that is ideal for larger applications and networking," said David Jackson, Altos president.

In addition to XENIX, the system will also support MS-DOSTM, PICK, MP/M-86TM, and OASIS-16. Languages include BASIC, COBOL, FORTRAN, PASCAL, and 'C'.

The 586-10 lists for \$7,990 and includes a 12 Mb disk drive; the new 586-14 lists for \$10,990 and has a 40 Mb capacity. A 586 system option permits further expansion of the 586-10 to 24 Mb and the 586-14 to 80 Mb.

Altos Computer Systems is one of the nation's leading suppliers of high performance multi-user networking microcomputers for business, scientific and industrial applications. The company's stock is traded OTC, Symbol ALTO.

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