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CSI NEWSLETTER

DATA PRICE CHANGE

A semi-annual review of our pricing policy determined that some of CSI's data prices require adjustment. All base rates for accessing the CSI service via long distance remain unchanged and, in fact, the late access discount of 10% will now be effective at 8:00 P.M. E.S.T. instead of 9:00 P.M. E.S.T. Historical data for "normal" contracts will stay about the same also but will be priced in a less complex manner. Price categories that will increase, however, effective June 1, 1983 include the Telenet/Tymnet/Uninet costs, early access rates, and the cost for Perpetual contract history data.

The high costs of Telenet, Tymnet, and Uninet prompted the costing investigation because revenue from users does not cover the CSI absorbed costs of these services. The increase in these rates as shown by the new enclosed price list is only moderate, but could influence users to change their method of access.

Another category that affects CSI costs is the purchase of the popular CSI Perpetual Contracts. A user retrieving a perpetual contract demands ten times as much computer resources as a user collecting a regular specific, generic, or nearest future contract. We are, therefore, increasing slightly the cost for perpetual history data.

Daily users of perpetual data are not affected and their costs will remain the same except as noted above.

The CSI Perpetual Contract (t.m.) is rapidly becoming an industry norm for driving analysis software. Stanley Kroll and Wells Wilder use it as the sole basis for data inputs for their system introduced in upcoming seminars during May of 1983. Their results were enhanced through its use.

CSI is offering a special price to purchasers of historical data on the CSI Perpetual Contract during the month of May 1983, only. You can use the data to check out the Kroll-Wilder system, the new Quickstudy analysis routines on the Quicktrieve disc, or any analysis programs that are self-written.

New CSI Business Hours:

Monday - Thursday	8:00 A.M. - 12:00 Midnight
Friday	8:00 A.M. - 9:00 P.M.
Saturday	9:00 A.M. - 1:00 P.M.

Quicktrieve News:

Customers have noted that occasionally during the printing of the distribution report with Quicktrieve, the previous close shows up as zero. This event usually occurs when the distribution status column displays: "NODT" meaning that data for the day before date was not

filed because the date did not exist on the output diskette. Wh[...]
happens a file type of 'S' will usually be present. If so,[...]
identified an ending date prior to the delivery date. To corre[...]
please recreate the file and move the old file onto the new.

Version 2.2 Quicktrieve Manual Mailing:

All manuals have been mailed to customers who have ordered the
Version 2.2 Quicktrieve. They were mailed 3rd class so if you have not
received yours, please wait a day or two before calling us.

Version 2.1 Users

If you are using Quicktrieve Version 2.1 and would like to receive
version 2.2 which holds the improved Quickstudy and Quickplot programs,
then please include $20.00 additional with your enclosed invoice.

Quicktrieve Version 2.2 Hangs at the Copyright Notice:

Accoustical coupler users who interface through the Apple Super
Serial Card may experience Quicktrieve hanging after the Copyright label
is displayed. The accustical coupler supplies voltage through lead 6
(Data Set Ready) to the Super Serial Card and also supplies voltage to
lead 8 (Data Carrier Detect) to the Super Serial Card. To correct the
hanging problem, cut the pin 6 wire (blue) and the pin 8 wire (black)
between the 10 pin connector on the Super Serial Card and the 25 pin
DB25 connector on the RS232 interface. These leads are not necessary
for the application.

ERROR 8's with the Corvus using Quicktrieve

The persistant ERROR 8's that occur when initializing, reading, or
writing to a Corvus volume is caused if the Corvus volume was booted
initialized [5.1] with Quicktrieve. To avoid the ERROR 8: Apple

1) Boot your apple from the Corvus (Corvus DOS)
2) BRUN DISK,S4,D1 followed by a carriage return.
   (where S4 assumes that your floppy drive is in slot #4, for example.
   It is assumed that Curvus initialization must have been done under
   CORVUS DOS, not Quicktrieve.)
3) The CSI Copyright label should appear. Please proceed with the data
   collection and distribution. The ERROR 8 should no longer occur.

One of our customers, Bob Pardo of the Pardo Corporation, is
introducing a new line of stock and commodity software: The Commodity
Analyst's Toolkit. It uses the Quicktrieve format and provides a wide
assortment of analytical studies. Write for a catalog of available
software or send $10.00 for a demonstration disc on his "Chartist"
program from:

       The Pardo Corporation
       515 N. Sheridan Road, #105
       Evanston, IL 60602   (312) 866-9342

TELENET/TYMNET/UNINET TROUBLE NUMBERS

If you are having trouble accessing the CSI service, please call the
following IN-WATTS number and give them CSI's network address.

		Network Address
TELENET	- 1-800-336-0437	305-140
TYMNET	- 1-800-323-7389	000071
UNINET	- 1-800-821-5340	816-025

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ERROR REPORT

The following list of errors were reported by customers or found by CSI after the data was first released. They may or may not affect a user depending upon the time the users data was accessed. Some of the errors represent corrections to past data that may only affect expired contracts, and some of the errors may be reported here a second time. The emphasized values, (those in darker print) represent the corrected values.

The base contract causing the error is underlined. Most errors were contributed by the exchange's failure to report timely settlement prices. In this event CSI released the last price traded for the day.

All Chicago Board of Trade volume and open interest was delayed on 4/15/83. The many entries are shown for the early access customer who may have inadvertantly collected a repeat of the day before's data.

ERROR REPORT FOR APRIL 1983

DATE	DEL MON OR CODE NEAREST FUTURES IN ( )	CSI NO.	SY	OPEN	HIGH	LOW	CLOSE	T.VOL *	T.O.I. *
830330	6/83 (38) (39) (55) (56) (59) (60)	174	LL	10308	10320	10304	**10318**	1168	2473
830330	41	174	LL	10307	10313	10277	**10314**	1168	2473
830331	6/83 (53) (58)	30	GC	4210	4227	**4192**	4220	21273	92865
830331	38	30	GC	4184	4199	**4163**	4191	21273	92865
830331	39	30	GC	4211	4228	**4193**	4221	21273	92865
830331	41	30	GC	4241	4262	**4229**	4254	21273	92865
830331	7/83 (53) (58)	16	SV	10870	**10960**	10810	10930	8843	44259
830331	39	16	SV	10789	**10875**	10722	10845	8843	44259
830331	41	16	SV	10873	**10963**	10813	10933	8843	44259
830405	5/83 (55) (56) (59)	16	SV	**11060**	11420	11050	11280	21640	46470
830405	38	16	SV	**11084**	11443	11072	11301	21640	46470
830405	39	16	SV	**11187**	11541	11165	11392	21640	46470
830406	5/83 (55)(56)(59)(60)	7	NY	7357	7380	**7275**	7280	7942	34974
830406	38	7	NY	7351	7373	**7263**	7268	7942	34974
830406	5/83 (55)(56)(59)(60)	55	ZS	**12187**	**12500**	**12025**	**12087**	3743	14105
830406	38	55	ZS	**12232**	**12544**	**12071**	**12133**	3743	14105
830406	39	55	ZS	**12500**	**12804**	**12348**	**12408**	3743	14105
830406	41	55	ZS	**12769**	**13065**	**12626**	**12683**	3743	14105
830412	6/83(55)(56)(59)(60)	151	YX	8950	8950	**8865**	8945	15259	7574
830412	38	151	YX	8950	8950	**8865**	8945	15259	7574
304412	39	151	YX	8952	8956	**8872**	8951	15259	7574
830412	41	152	YX	8957	8972	**8890**	8967	15259	7574
830415	12/83	16	SV	5080	5080	5077	**5080**	13433	31020