



**Employee Portals**  
**The First Strike in**  
**eBusiness Migration**  
**A Case Study**

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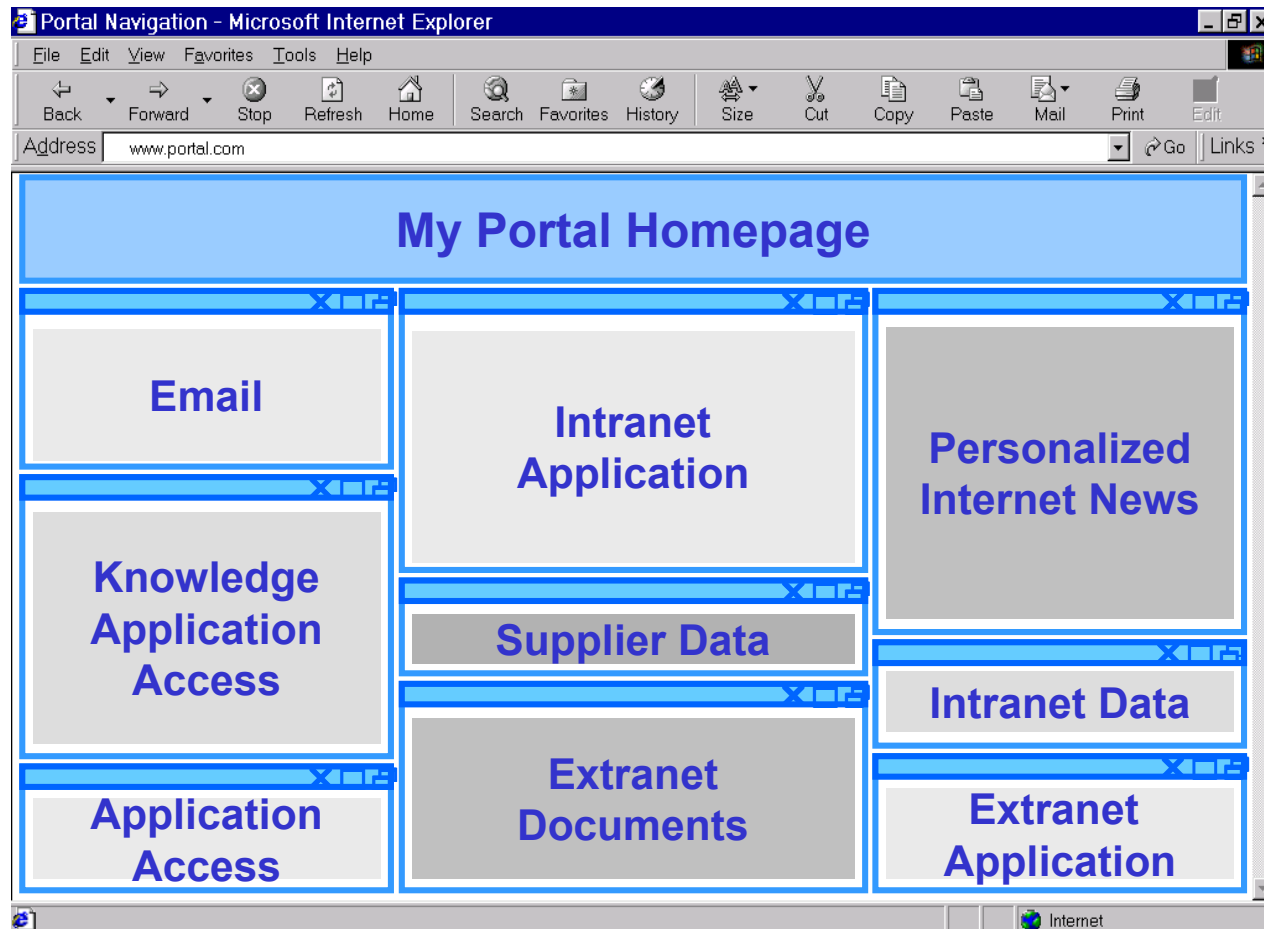
eBusiness is complex

# Portals are the Tip of the Iceberg



# The way of the web The Portal Concept

- Portals aggregate content from all systems in the enterprise
  - Personalized
  - Relevant
  - Email
  - Alerts
  - Internet content
- Value add in eBusiness Apps
  - key to ROI
  - where work gets done
  - truly "sticky"
  - delivery of self-service





**Personalization  
Role Based Content**

**Web Publishing**

**Search**

**Alerts**

**Navigation**

**Collaboration &  
Content Mgmt**

**Self-Service**

**Calendar  
and eMail**

**Analytics**

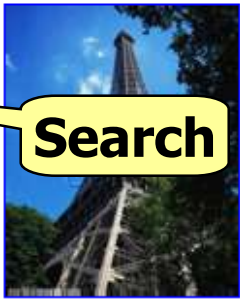
Welcome Bob  
Personalize **Content** Layout

Search: Planet Peoplesoft go

PlanetNavigator  
View A-Z Listings | View Category Map  
Expand All Collapse All

- About PeopleSoft
  - Annual Report
  - Community Connect
  - Community Kudos eC
  - Company graphic
  - E-Reports
  - Goodwilla Gorilla
  - Hats Off to You
  - Org Chart
  - People Programs
  - Raving Daves
  - World Wide Locations
- Communities
- Customer
- Divisions
- Media
- Meetings
- My Info
  - 401K fund in
  - Beneficiary and dependents
  - Benefits review (USA/Canada)
  - Canada HF & Benefits
  - Employee Stock Purchase Plan
  - Flexible spending accounts
  - International Assignments

Daily Planet  
Formerly known as PeopleSoft Times



France's PeopleSoft 8 Launch Offers an Element of Success  
PeopleSoft 8 was launched in science-fiction-spectacular fashion in Paris, France, Sept. 14. The launch played on the theme of the movie "The 5th Element" starring Luc Besson and Bruce Willis. In the movie, there are four elements: earth, fire, water, and air. The fifth element is a woman coming to earth. PeopleSoft 8 Launch in Paris, our four employees, suppliers, and partners. The fifth element is the PeopleSoft 8, which has come to save the internet...more

PeopleSoft Headline News

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Manager Dashboard

ManagerDashboard

Anniversaries

Pat Smith 10 yrs on 9/15/00  
Simon Schumaker 5 yrs on 9/12/00

Birthdays

Joe Blow 7/7/00

Department PTO Report

Kate Schme 40 hrs between 8/7/00 and 8/11/00

PSFT 33.4375 -0.375 Mail Calendar

Employee Dashboard

EmployeeDashboard  
**Stock**

Your stock options are worth \$50,000 USD today. [Click here](#) for more details.

**Payroll**

An amount of \$3,500 USD was deposited to your account on 7/31/00 for July's payroll. [Click here](#) for more details.

**Expenses**

An amount of \$500 USD was deposited to your account on 7/31/00 for expenses you reported for Users Conference. [Click here](#) for more details.

**Benefits**

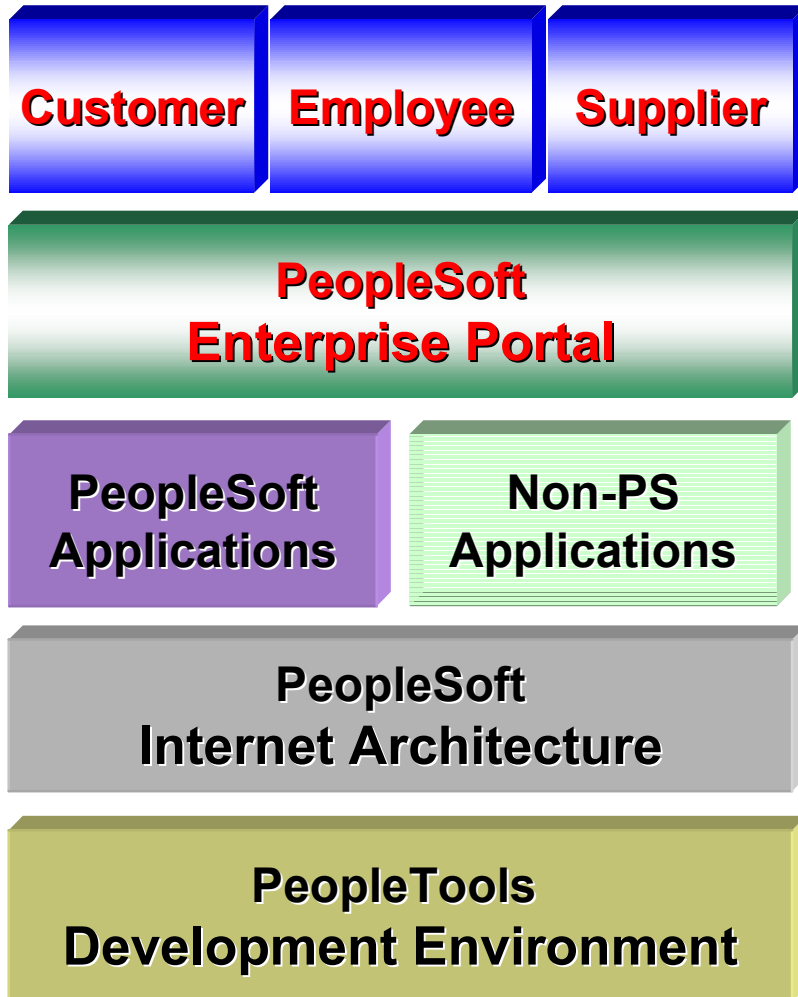
+160 hrs  
FHO +16 hrs  
\*New Aetna reimbursement policy

Calendar

October 2000

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	25	26	27	28

## Product Context for Solutions Delivery



- Utilizing PeopleSoft's family of portal products.
- Role-based products (applications) with support of an underlying portal "engine".
- Required to leverage transactional information from eBusiness systems
  - From many vendors
- Leverage open architecture for internet
- Leverage existing development tools.

# Vision of Employee Portal in Action

## Manager



- Approve Promotion
- Procurement
- Approve Expenses

## Sales



- Manage Contracts
- Resource Requests
- Customer Information

## Optionee



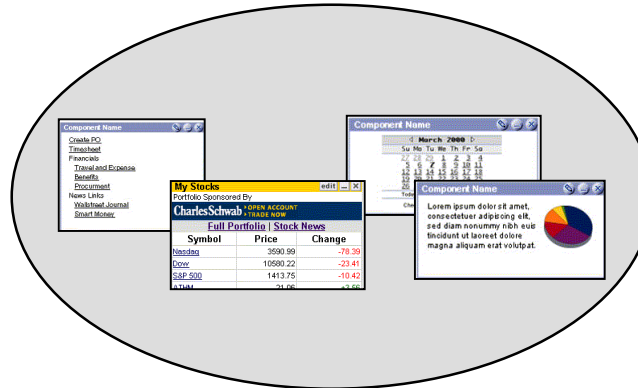
- Stock Option Summary
- Issuance Instructions
- Purchase Activity

## Executive

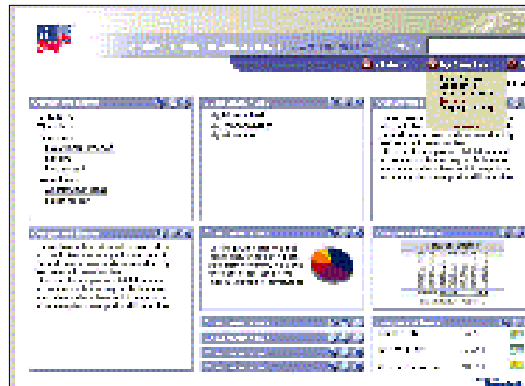


- Key Performances
- View Strategy
- View Scorecards

**Roles-Based  
Employee Portal**



**Content Retrieval**



## Knowledge

- 3rd Party Content
- Suppliers
- Internal Info.



## Data

- Employee Info
- Personal Info



## Applications

- Payroll
- Benefits
- Stock



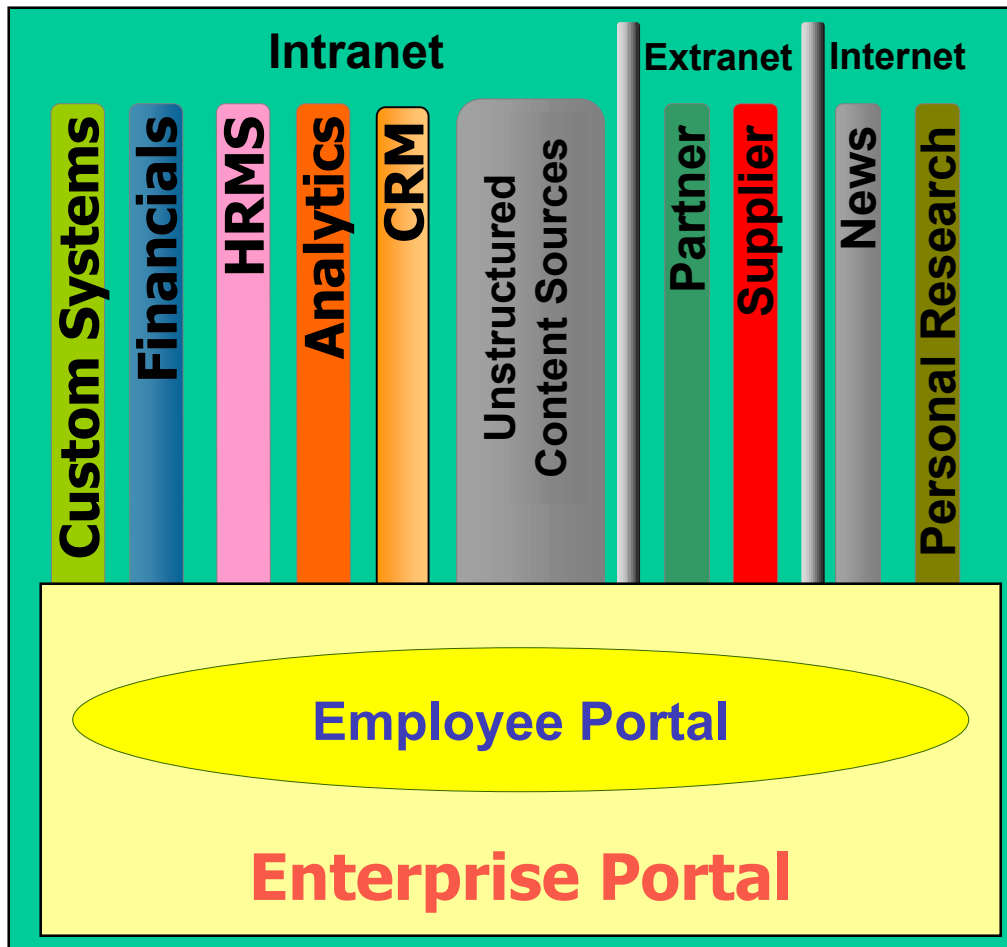
## Documents

- Paycheck
- Applications/Forms

**Portal Content**



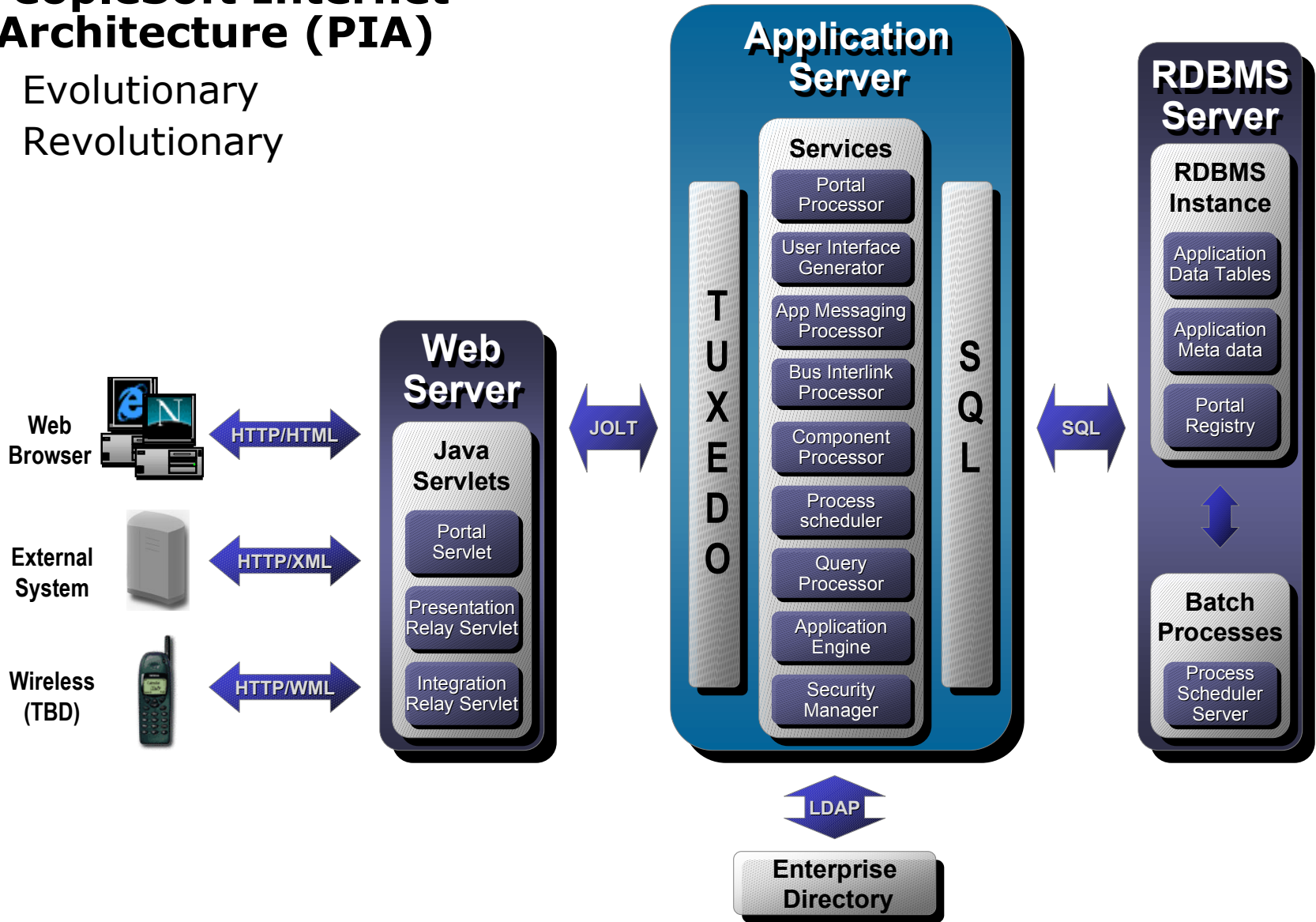
# Open Cross-Enterprise Solutions



- ◆ Portals are agnostic
  - ◆ Aggregate silos of information
  - ◆ Must have full cross-enterprise navigation (taxonomy)
  - ◆ Applications not just information
- ◆ Role-based
  - ◆ What-I-See-Is-What-I-Need
  - ◆ New paradigm (Filtering)
- ◆ Split between Application and Technology in portal
  - ◆ Application content of where and how work efforts are completed
  - ◆ Technology to integrate solution
- ◆ A “webtop” for the enterprise

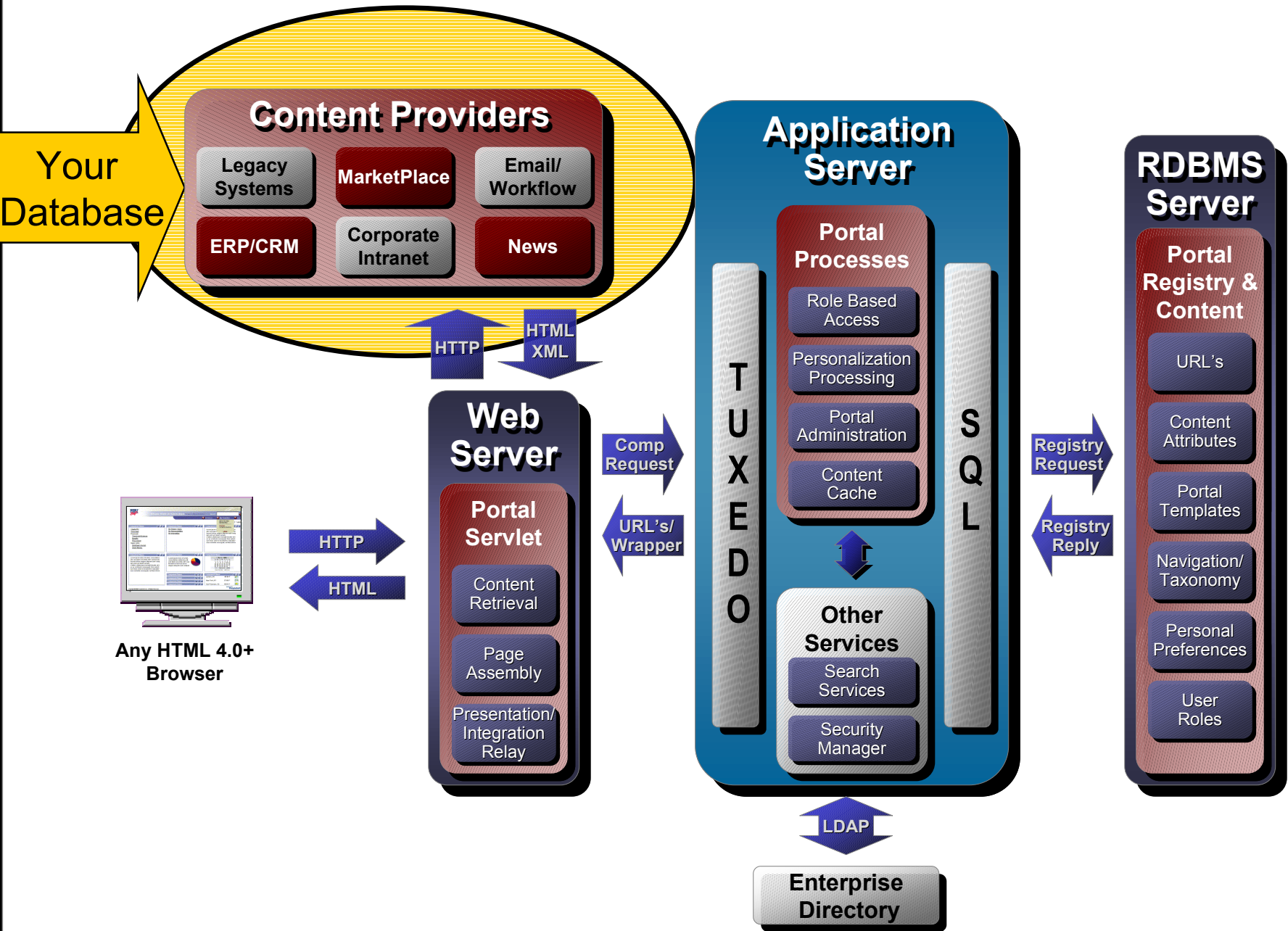
## PeopleSoft Internet Architecture (PIA)

- Evolutionary
- Revolutionary





# Portal Technology over the Architecture





# PeopleSoft Deploys Employee Portal

## Planet PeopleSoft

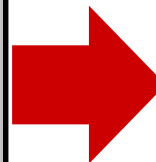
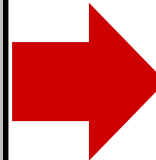
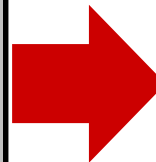
### Case Study

## Our Challenges

- Many in-house applications
  - PeopleSoft applications at various releases and multiple databases
  - Enterprise Reporting & Business Intelligence
  - Applications from other vendors
  - All unrelated in terms of sign on, security, user IDs
  - Mini-portals had emerged while waiting for us to implement a corporate portal
- We had several portals to choose from in-house including one being developed at PeopleSoft

## Knowledge Capital . . .

- **Employees expertise and know-how**
- **Intellectual capital**
  - Patents
  - Methodologies
  - Best practices
  - Contracts
  - Reusable software
  - Formulae
  - Designs
  - New product ideas
  - External information
  - Your data warehouse



## Increases Commercial Value

- **Speed**
  - Improve cycle time
  - Improved quality
  - Reduced cost
- **Innovation**
  - Reduce waste/reuse solutions
  - Continuously improve
  - Build skills
- **Better Decisions**
  - Quicker & more informed
  - Broader perspective
  - Based on historical results
- **Efficiency**
  - Lessons learned over time
  - Validate by experts and experiences
  - Ownership & accountability
  - Enterprise-wide foundation

## Self-Service

### Extending the Enterprise

eCompensation      eBenefits  
eDevelopment      eRecruit  
eEquity              eProfile  
Manager Desktops   ePay



**Collaborative  
Applications**

**Workforce  
Analytics**

**HRMS  
Enterprise  
Applications**

### Enabling the Enterprise

Human Resources  
Benefits Administration  
Flexible Spending Account  
Pension Administration  
Payroll for North America  
Payroll Interface  
Time & Labor  
Stock Administration  
Global Payroll

### Driving the Enterprise

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Workforce Scorecard  
Workforce Insight  
Workforce Rewards

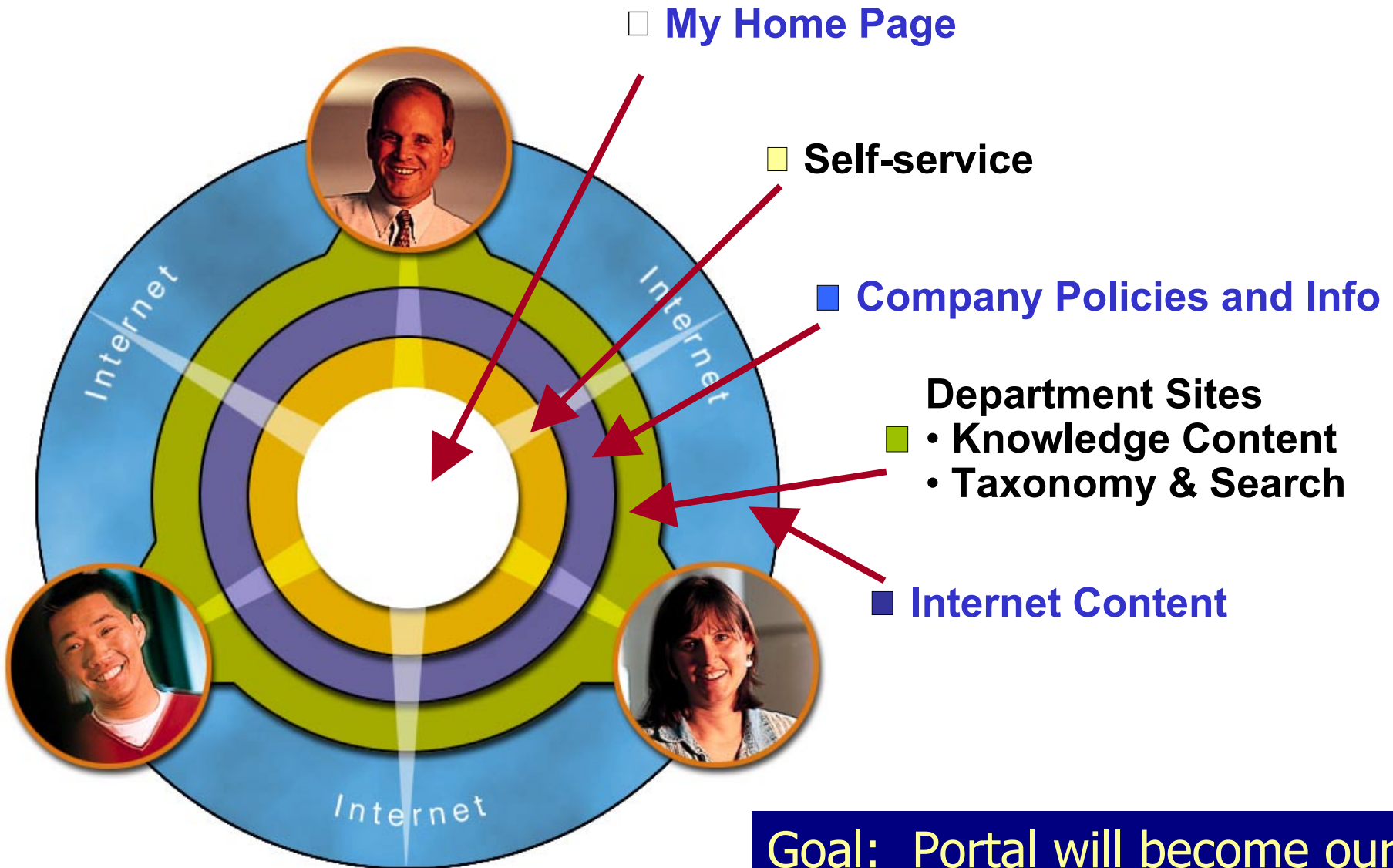
**Self-service is ENHANCED by the portal**

## Other Business Requirements

- **Decision Support** - Encompass transactions partnered with knowledge, content, decision tools - to drive better decisions and transactions
- **Personalization and Relevance** - Provide highly personalized, relevant information
  - Role-based Portal access; event-based activities; context-sensitive experience;
- **Open** - Support business processes beyond the enterprise through seamless interaction of all users - managers, employees, business partners
- **Pre-Integrated and Seamless** - Deliver instant and intelligent access to a community of suppliers and services
  - Deliver pre-integrated supplier content and services



# How We Met the Challenge



Goal: Portal will become our employees' "**Webtop**"

# What Goes in My Portal?

- Consider what's delivered "out of the box"
  - A very quick win as we required multiple rapid ROI items from CIO for funding
- What external content is free (and legal)
  - What are you willing to subscribe to?
- Requirements gathering sessions and/or questionnaire using a varied audience
  - We recommend an incentive to respond
- Create a mockup of the interface before implementation of actual code
  - This is a VISUAL solution!!!
    - Comply with guidelines already in place
    - Test with a sample group to determine pagelets and features to be implemented

# It Must Be EZ to Understand, EZ to Use

- Event Guides
  - Marriage
  - Birth/Adoption
  - Flexible Spending Accounts
    - Compensation
    - Faculty Event Tracking
    - Personal Information
    - Personnel Actions
    - Procurement
    - Recruiting
    - Stock
    - Stock-Optionee
    - Time Reporting
    - Training and Development
    - Travel and Expenses
    - User Preferences
  - My Human Resources
  - My Profile
  - Manager Tasks
  - HR Framework
  - Hire Employees
  - Employee Information
  - Training
  - Career Planning
  - Time and Labor
  - Plan Salaries
  - Award Variable Compensation
  - Report Total Compensation
  - Forecast Compensation FRA

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## Marriage Life Event



This is a good time to consider how joining with another person into one household may affect your health care coverage, life insurance, tax withholdings, and other important choices.



This guide will take you through all the steps necessary to ensure that your personal profile, benefits, and payroll information are updated to reflect this important event in your life.

Click Start to begin or continue the life event process.

Start

Steps	Description
 Change Status	To change your benefit choices, you must first complete the Marital Status Change form.
 Review Benefits	Review your current benefits summary.
 Personal Information	Review your current name, address, phone numbers, email address, and emergency contacts.
 Tax Information	Review and update your federal tax information.
 Direct Deposit	Review and update your direct deposit information.

# Implementation Team Staffing Profile

## ◆ Developers:

- ◆ 1.5 Web Engineers (JavaScript, HTML, some PeopleTools)
- ◆ 1.5 PeopleTools Engineers (Panels, some HTML and JavaScript)

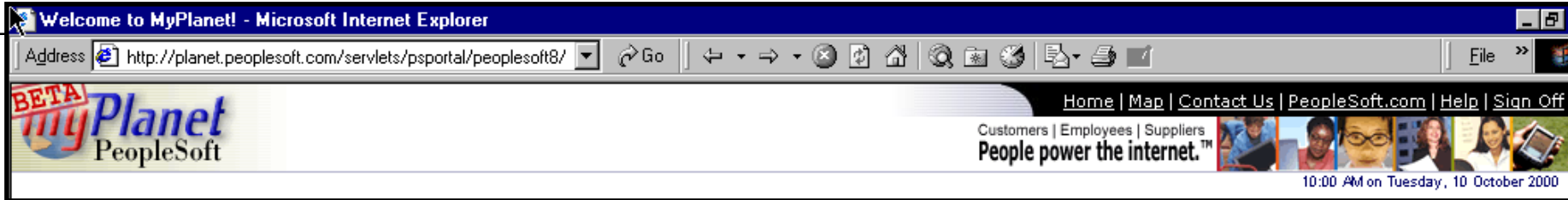
## ◆ Designers:

- ◆ 2 Web producers (HTML templates, stylesheets, look and feel)
- ◆ 1 Graphics designer (Flash, graphics packages)

## ◆ Supporting Resources:

- ◆ 1 Intranet team manager
- ◆ 1 Project Manager
- ◆ 2 Marketing/Internal Communications
  - ◆ Branding, taxonomy, company news, portal "real estate", portal marketing plan, employee education, communications
- ◆ Infrastructure (web architect, DBA, user support)

# Global Portal Live in 3 Months!!!



## My Planet PeopleSoft

- Deployment of our PeopleSoft 8 Portal
  - **1st Step** on larger program to have a total browser based enterprise
- Implemented prior to Upgrade of ERP/CRM
  - Included self-service from Legacy systems
  - Taxonomy for all departmental sites
- Next : Integration of PeopleSoft 8 apps



# Our Roles and Timelines

<b>Producers</b>	<b>Engineers</b>	<b>Architects</b>
Information Architect(s)/Cybrarian(s) – taxonomy/site architecture	Web Developers – PeopleTools, HTML, JavaScript, etc.	System/Hardware Architects
User Experience/Graphic Design	PeopleSoft implementation experts – app specific developers (i.e., HRMS, FIN)	3 <sup>rd</sup> party software support (e.g., metrics, etc.)
Content Authors/Managers/Providers	LDAP/Security infrastructure	LDAP/Security infrastructure
	Maintenance and administration tools	Maintenance and administration tools



## Our Implementation Timeline

mid-June 2000: Began implementation

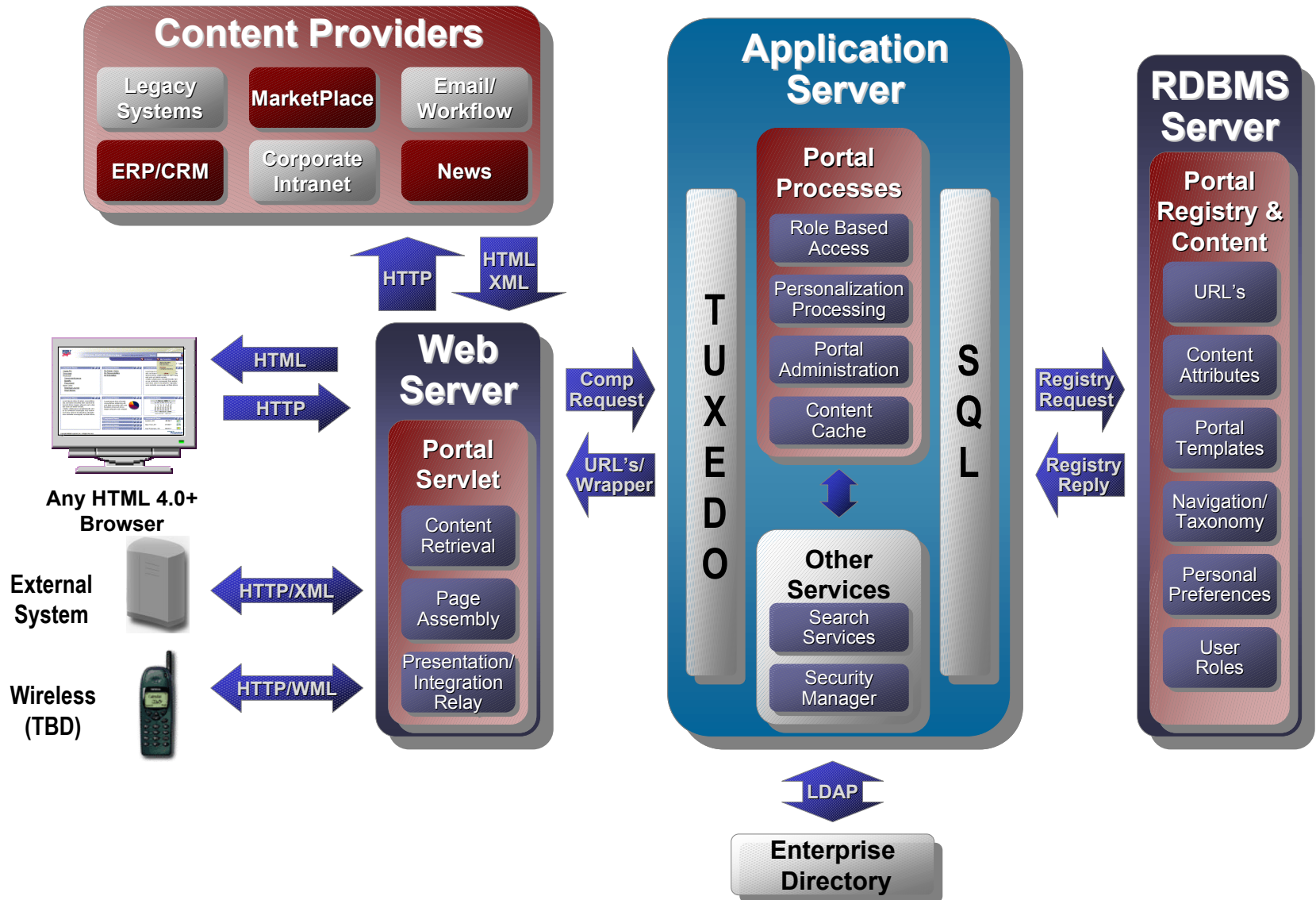
August 1, 2000: Alpha Test (300 users)

September 1, 2000: Beta Test (3000 users)

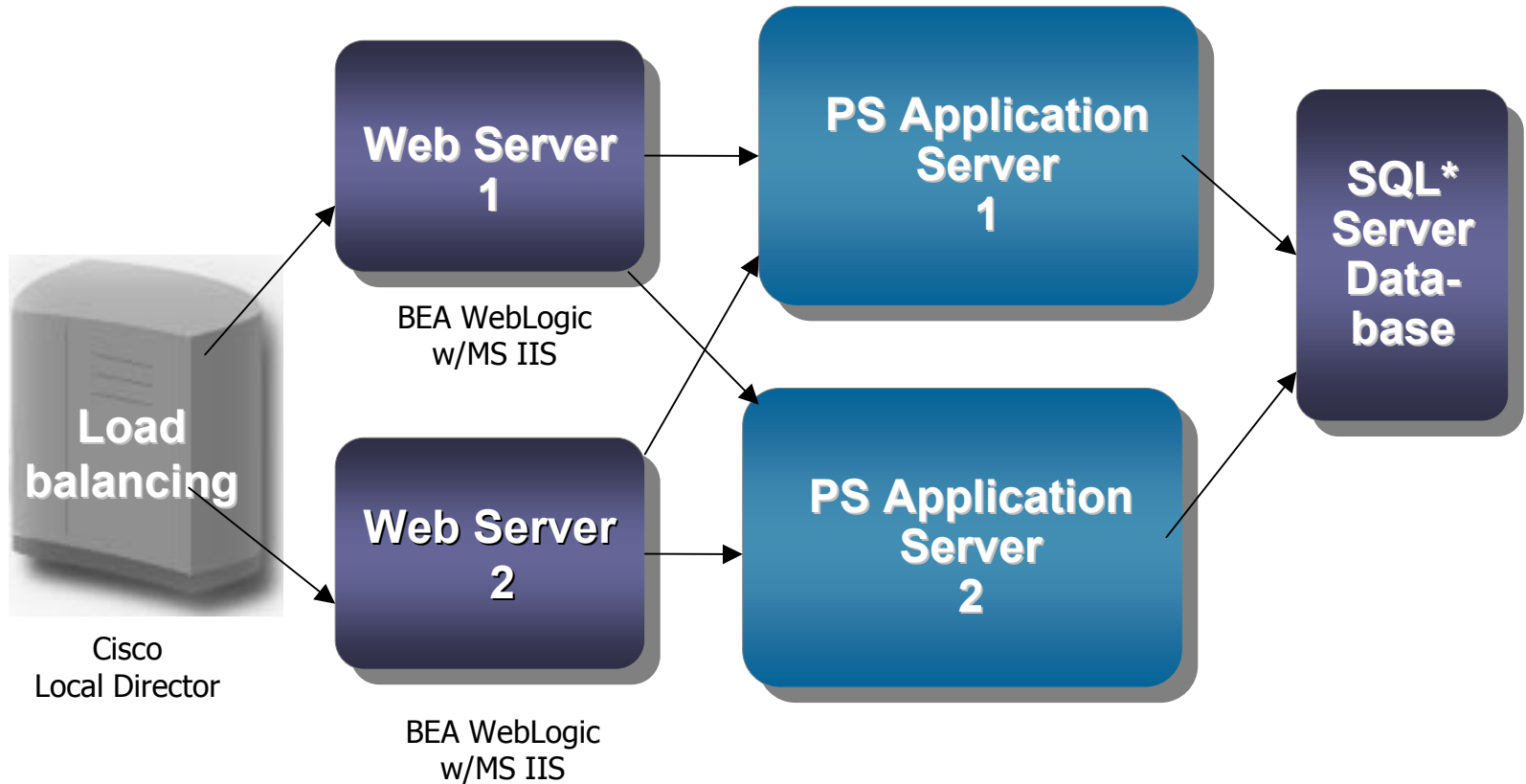
October 2, 2000: Worldwide Go-Live (8000+ users)



# Hardware Requirements: Portal Architecture



# Our Architecture



**All servers are 4 ways running NT w/2GB Memory**



# Security Considerations

- PeopleSoft 8 Security
  - One userid with multiple roles - GOAL!!!
    - Key was Portal's ability to auto-define roles for employee - management savings
- Get role attributes from a number of sources:
  - Other applications (role synchronization)
  - Dynamic role rules (PeopleCode, SQR, LDAP grouping)
- Single Sign On is possible for many applications
  - Easiest for PeopleSoft 8 - enabled by applications
- What to look for in your LDAP
  - LDAP can act as a source of email and calendar integration information.
  - LDAP should contain all users of portal (employees, consultants)
- Used PeopleSoft's Directory Interface product
  - Synchronization LDAP and HR (system of record)

## Implementing the Portal: Other Considerations

- Search Engine
- Taxonomy
  - How content is categorized for easy retrieval
    - Whole new discipline!
  - Choose taxonomy method (automated or manual)
    - Usually both...
  - Test with a variety of users
  - Revisit often
- Usability testing!!!





## Other Considerations

- Performance and load testing:
  - Test performance of external interfaces (e.g., LDAP, sites you're "pageletizing")
  - Ensure your load balancing/failover is working
- Implementation
  - Consider a phased implementation
  - Rapid and multiple quick wins!!!
- Education
  - "Show me how" demos
  - Internal communications on value and usage of portal
    - Spend more time "selling" than training!
    - Change management (e.g., paycheck print)

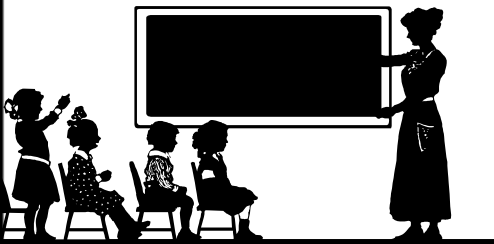
## Ongoing Support

- Monitoring issues through internal help desk
  - Develop “show me how” based upon common issues encountered
- Gathering input on “wish list” items
- Working with other IS teams to provide pagelets
  - Manager and Employee dashboards
  - You MUST have compelling business content
- Single Sign On to legacy applications
  - Trade-off: now versus when web enabled
- Developing offline content for our remote users “road warriors”



## Lessons Learned

- PeopleSoft 8 technology was key
  - Both evolutionary and revolutionary
  - Some architectural shifting
- Be sure your content providers understand that content must be updated frequently to maintain interest
- Provide offline content - road warriors
- Provide a wide variety of content (international, various sources, images)
- Implementing a portal is very different from implementing an ERP application



# Expectations What a Portal Delivers

An Employee Portal will not solve all the issues, however it does break down many barriers to employee productivity.

- Creates an **integrated** web-top environment from isolated programs and information silos
- Provides automated identification and distribution of content **relevant** to the user
- Provides a personalized interface for each user based on their **role** in the organization
- Uses the **same infrastructure** used for customers, suppliers, employees, and third-party partners
- Serves as the point of delivery for common information, **self-service** functions, and services that cross the enterprise
- Integrates advanced **collaboration** capabilities
- Creates and exposes the real information in an **organization** so that it can be found and used by the employee



## Lessons Learned

- Implementing the portal first sets the stage for other applications
- Toolset is very flexible and powerful, but as easy to use as ever
- Role-based engine was KEY to lowering maintenance and management costs
  - Problem is scope -- EVERYONE is now a user, and EVERYONE changes roles
- Migrate existing sites to new model as they are updated
  - Eat an Elephant -- one bite at a time

## Why We Like the Portal

- Don't need to implement ERP apps first
- Enables self-service!!!
  - This was the ROI our execs wanted
- Can easily apply, from one place only, a new look for all intranet sites
- Application integration is quick and easy
- Content is role-based and roles can be derived from their logical sources
- Single Sign On and other features are infinitely extensible

*Delivering applications through the portal automates application development, standardizes look and feel, and reduces maintenance and time to market.*



# Demonstration : Examples