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Flash Research Paper 4 – WordPress

## WordPress

The WordPress platform can provide our firm a net benefit of \$2,451,000 over three years. WordPress' thousands of plugins and open-source environment can increase the efficiency of our improvable tasks by 77.8%.

We can greatly reduce the amount of back-end web development by utilizing WordPress's thousands of plugins. Plugins are multiple files of code created to fulfill a specific need; and because WordPress is an open-source software, these plugins are publically accessible. Along with plugins, thousands of themes are available, which can reduce time spent designing our sites. Finally, WordPress' strong open-source community will help us choose the highest rated plugins more quickly, reducing searching time and ultimately resulting in a headcount reduction from 12 to 5.

Three-year costs include hardware and software installation, maintenance, employee salary and training, for a total of \$2,049,000. Utilizing WordPress will provide us a benefit of \$4.5 million through headcount reduction, and help us realize a three-year net benefit of \$2,451,000.

<b>Costs</b>	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Total
Hardware/Software	\$ 100,000.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 100,000.00
Headcount Reduction	\$ 625,000.00	\$ 625,000.00	\$ 625,000.00	\$ 1,875,000.00
Maintenance	\$ 18,000.00	\$ 18,000.00	\$ 18,000.00	\$ 54,000.00
Training	\$ 20,000.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 20,000.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 763,000.00</b>	<b>\$ 643,000.00</b>	<b>\$ 643,000.00</b>	<b>\$ 2,049,000.00</b>

<b>Benefits</b>	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Total
12 developers	\$ 1,500,000.00	\$ 1,500,000.00	\$ 1,500,000.00	\$ 4,500,000.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 1,500,000.00</b>	<b>\$ 1,500,000.00</b>	<b>\$ 1,500,000.00</b>	<b>\$ 4,500,000.00</b>

<b>Net Benefit</b>	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Total
	\$ 737,000.00	\$ 857,000.00	\$ 857,000.00	\$ 2,451,000.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 737,000.00</b>	<b>\$ 857,000.00</b>	<b>\$ 857,000.00</b>	<b>\$ 2,451,000.00</b>

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