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SFBAUG Minutes
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Minutes of the December meeting held at Christopher Ranch

I want to thank Cory Tennant for hosting the December meeting. Cory did a great job of showing us how he has automated many of the key functions at Christopher Ranch using Flexibility. He also gave us a tour of their operations and sent us home with samples of their products.

Christopher Ranch has many transaction cycles that are unique to agribusiness. In order to fit the MACOLA applications to their needs, he has heavily leveraged Flexibility to meet their needs. Some of the unique things that Cory has done at Christopher Ranch include developing customized interfaces and scripts for users at their various facilities.

Depending on their operational needs and skill sets, he is able to tailor their screen designs and the options that

appear in various pull down menus. This helps to prevent data entry and processing errors by eliminating options and data that are not applicable to various users.

Users Conference Planned for 2004

Exact is currently in the process of organizing a user conference for 2004. The location and dates have not yet been fixed; however they are now working on a format and agenda for the meeting. My guess is that the conference will be sometime during the summer months. I will be sure to keep you all updated as soon as I get any details.

February Meeting Topic

The February 12 meeting will be hosted by Finelite, Inc. in Union City. Due to a scheduling conflict with Exact personnel, the Screen Designer has been moved to the February meeting from April. Nadine Lai from Exact will be at the meeting to demonstrate the use and capabilities of Screen Designer to customize the look of your MACOLA screens.

After the presentation, we will have closed session for members only to discuss group business. One of the items to discuss is whether to find a fixed location for our meetings.

We will end the meeting promptly at 2:30.

February meeting:

Topic: Screen Designer

Thursday, February 12 at 12:00 noon

Hosted by: Diane Thornburg of
Finelite, Inc. located at 30300 Whipple
Rd. in Union City.

Next meeting:

Thursday, October 9 at 12:00 am

Hosted by: Dennis Milosky of
Technical Instrument; 1826 Rollins
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