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Evolving an Effective Electronic Commerce Strategy - A Supplier's Perspective

Creating Demand Pull Continuous Replenishment in FMCG Martin Wynn, IT Director Richard Harris, Electronic Commerce Manager

May 12th/13th 1997 London H P Bulmer Hereford UK

## 1. Company Background

## **Presentation Structure**

1 Company Background

2 Electronic Commerce: The Supplier's Perspective

3 EDI at Bulmers (Case Example)

4 Customer Supply Chain Projects

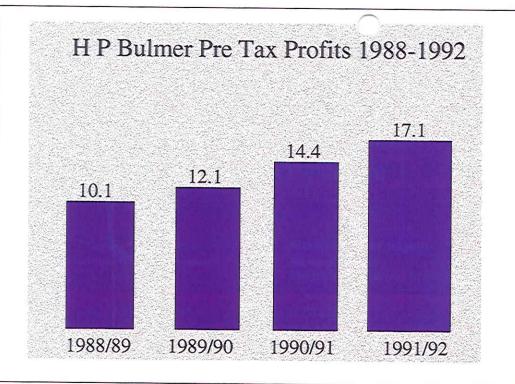
5 Future Trends

■ Location: Hereford, UK

■ Turnover 1995/6: £255m

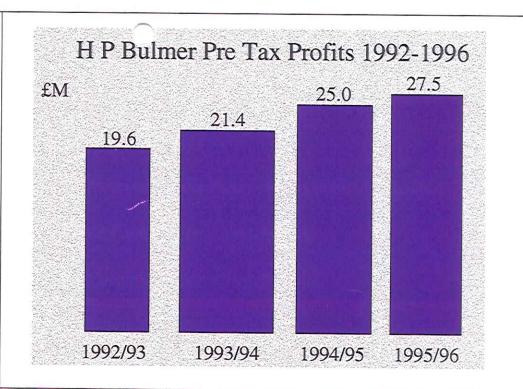
■ Profit 1995/6: £27.5m

Employees: 850



## H P Bulmer: Key Business Drivers

- Continue to grow and dominate the UK cider market (Now 54% market share).
- Lead the global growth of cider.
- Lowest cost production.



### Systems Status 1990

Under investment in IT in the '80's...

- Legacy of in-house developed systems.
- Poorly documented and supported.
- Proprietary Data General environment.

Various product and customer files... Separately maintained. Varying hierarchies and data definitions.

## New IT & IS Strategies

### ■ 1990

- Oracle chosen as strategic relational database for bespoke developments.

### **1991**

- Open Systems (UNIX) adopted as platform for all future systems projects.

### ■ 1992

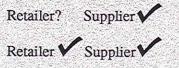
- Business co-ownership of all systems projects established.
- Oracle/UNIX established as guidelines for all major application packages.

# Change In Supply Chain Operation

### Who Benefits?

Retailer Supplier?

■ Unilateral (by retailer) ■ Unilateral (by supplier) Joint:



# 2. Electronic Commerce: The Supplier's Perspective

Trading Necessity or

Partnership Opportunity?

### Unilateral Changes by Retailers

- Increased Ordering Frequency
- Reduced Order/Delivery Lead Times
- Smaller Pack Sizes
- Account Specific Labels
- One Item Per Pallet
- Account Specific Pallet Heights
- Account Specific Pallet Labels
- Reserved Stock
- Stock-Out Penalties

#### ■EDI

Replenishment Process Improvement
 Co-Managed Inventory
 Intermediate Warehousing
 Electronic Commerce

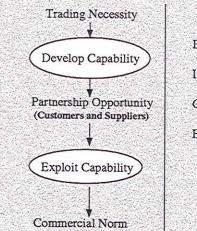
How Should We View These Initiatives? Started As:

A Trading Necessity (Unilateral by some Retailers) Has Now Become:

A Partnership Opportunity (Joint Action/Joint Benefit)

## 3. EDI at Bulmers

(Case Example)



EDI Intermediate Warehousing Co-Managed Inventory Electronic Commerce/ECR

## Evolving An Effective Strategy

- Customer Service Focused Company
- Within Our Capabilities

	Capabilities
1991	■Requests by Major Customers
	Business Understanding
	Steering Group
1991-92	Developed Basic Capability and Credibility
	Orders and Invoices
	Focus on Customer rather than Supplier
1993-94	Reactive to Customer Requirements
	Forecasts
	■Benefit from Ability to be Involved in Pilot
	EDI Projects with Customers

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- 1995 Price File Exchange

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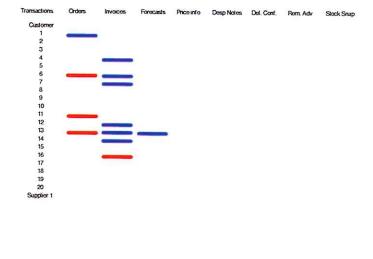
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1996-97: Expanding the Capability - EDI as a Value Added Service to our Customer Base

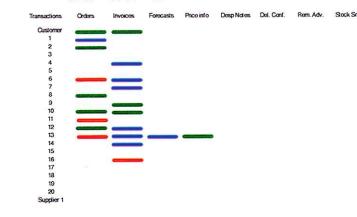
1996 Electronic Commerce Manager Appointed Expansion of Message Types, Despatch Notes, Delivery Confirmation, Remittance Advice

 1997 ■Further Message Types
 ■Stock Snapshot, Product File, Customer File
 ■Pro-actively Expanding with Customers - Value Added Service

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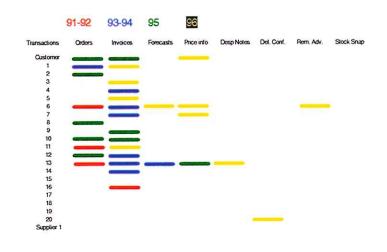
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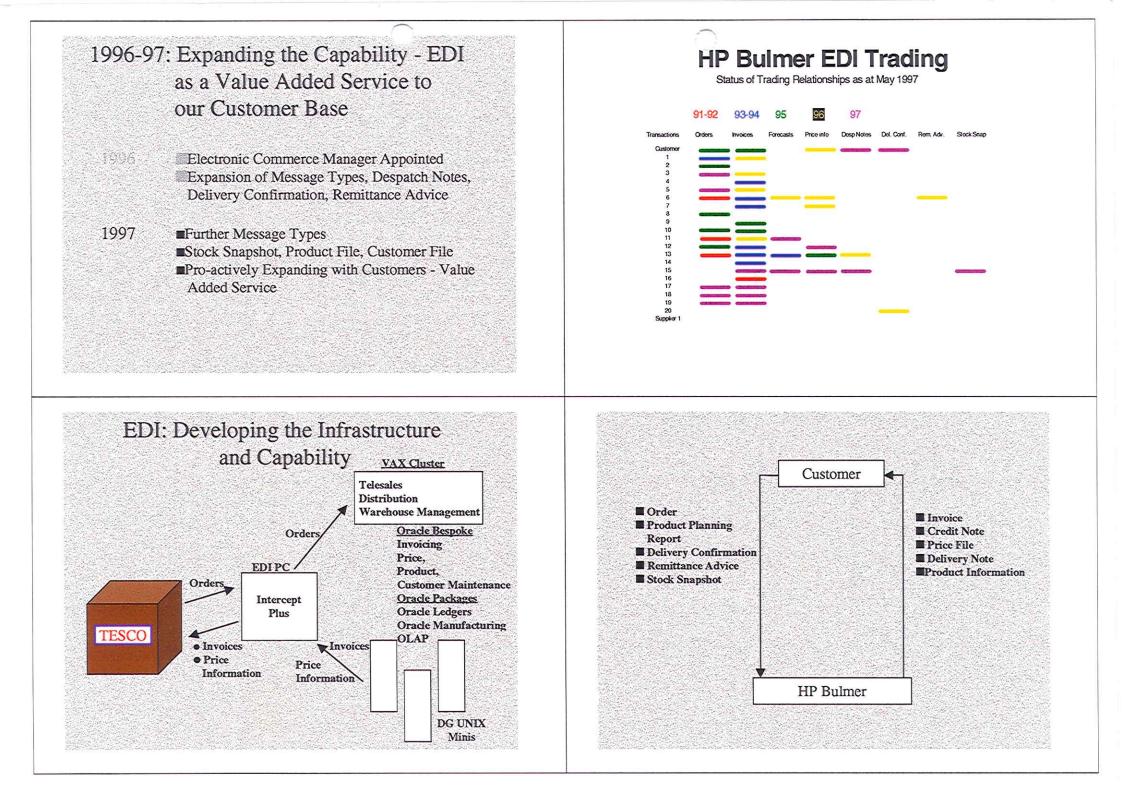
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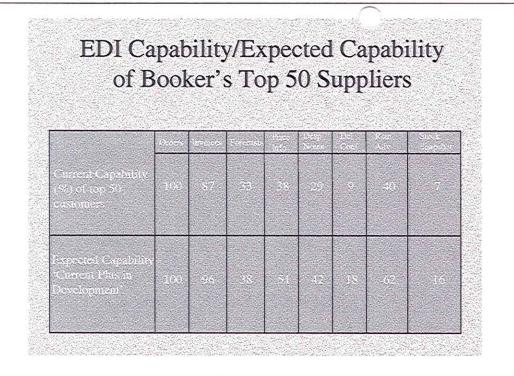


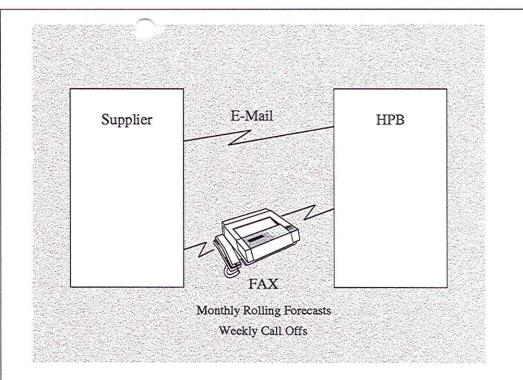
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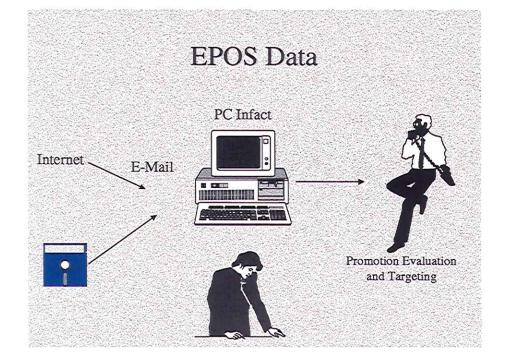
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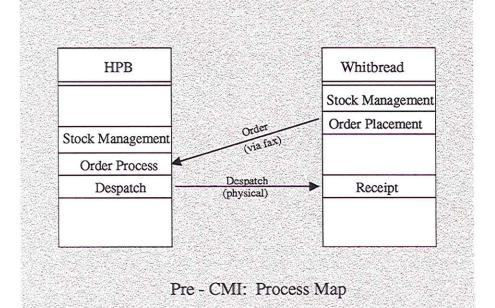
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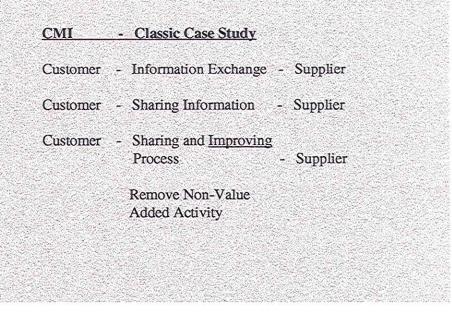
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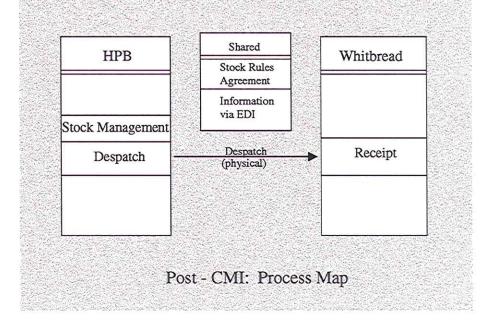
Intermediate Warehousing

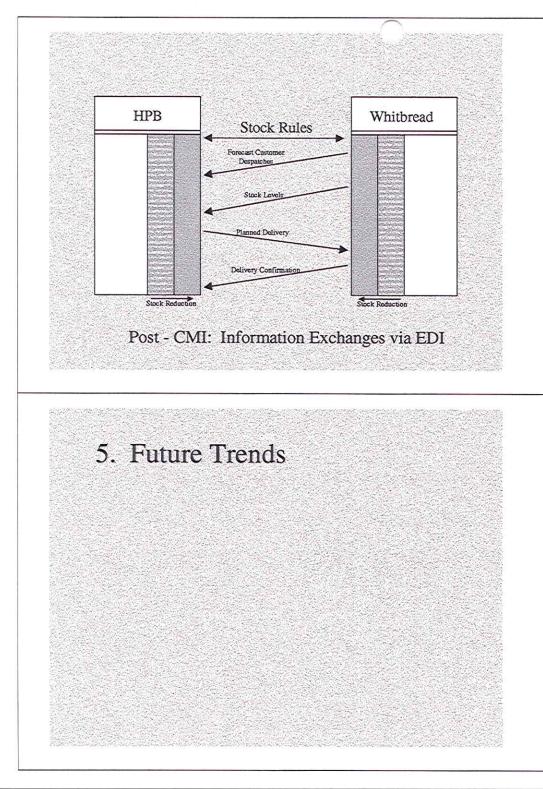
## Customer Supply Chain Projects

Customer Service Focused Experience and Appreciation of Benefits Confident in Electronic Commerce Capabilities Believe Further Benefits for H P Bulmer









# CMI - HPB Benefits

Visibility of HPB Products in Whitbread Depots

Efficient Stock Management wthin Whitbread and HPB

Improved Availability of HPB Products to Whitbread Consumers

Improved Customer Service

Cementing the Trading Partnership

Value Added Service to other Customers

### Internet and the Web

Encourage Consumer Purchasing HPB Website

- To comptanely peplan HUZ-Engender Customer Selling Customer Specific Web Access Opportunity with Non-EDI Enabled Customers

Opportunity to Implement with HPB Suppliers

Cementing Trading Relationships

