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[In case it's not obvious, the term "Mission Critical" has been the buzzword of choice in NeXT Computer marketing spiels for about two years now...  
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Mission Critical Solitaire:

WhiteLight Systems announces release of Mission Critical Solitaire 1.0  
New era of popularity dawns for NEXTSTEP

PALO ALTO, CA, December 10, 1993 --- WhiteLight Systems, Inc. today announced the release of Mission Critical Solitaire1.0, a long-awaited application in the NEXTSTEP community. The object-oriented design of the card game yields smooth play and an elegant look-and-feel.

"NeXT is focusing on mission-critical custom apps. There are a number of excellent productivity apps out there. If NEXTSTEP is going to achieve broad popularity, what it really needs is a superb game of solitaire. This is the compelling advantage that NEXTSTEP has been waiting for," says Pat "Five Aces" Rowland, a spokesperson for the company and former professional card player. "Just look at Windows 3.1. We are hard-pressed to find a better explanation for the success of Windows 3.1 than the free copy of solitaire that is bundled with the Microsoft operating system."

Until today, sophisticated corporate sites had a rationale for sticking with Windows. With the release of Mission Critical Solitaire, NEXTSTEP now does everything better than the Microsoft product. "Most people don't know that solitaire is the app most used on Windows. We kid ourselves about releasing an anti-productivity app, but government studies prove that widespread adoption of Mission Critical Solitaire would save in excess of \$342.8 million per year in time lost due to slow and frustrating play of the Microsoft product," continued Mr. Rowland.

"If you don't have time for a full-day NeXT seminar, five minutes with Mission Critical Solitaire will persuade you that you can't live without NEXTSTEP," concluded Mr. Rowland.

Mission Critical Solitaire runs on version 3.x of NeXT, Inc.'s NEXTSTEP operating environment for Intel and Motorola processors. It is available from WhiteLight Systems at the above address. Single copy pricing is \$35 prepaid, plus \$12 shipping & handling and sales tax where applicable. There is no shipping & handling charge for orders sent by e-mail.

In line with NeXT's ObjectWare strategy, Mission Critical Solitaire is also available in object library form for integration into currency trading, customer service, office automation, and other mission-critical custom applications.

WhiteLight Systems, Inc. is a privately-held software company headquartered in Palo Alto, California.

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