# ZERO MANAGEMENT<sub>tm</sub>

#### BUSINESS AND TECHNOLOGY IN THE NEW MILLENNIUM

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# **THE CEO'S NIGHTMARE**

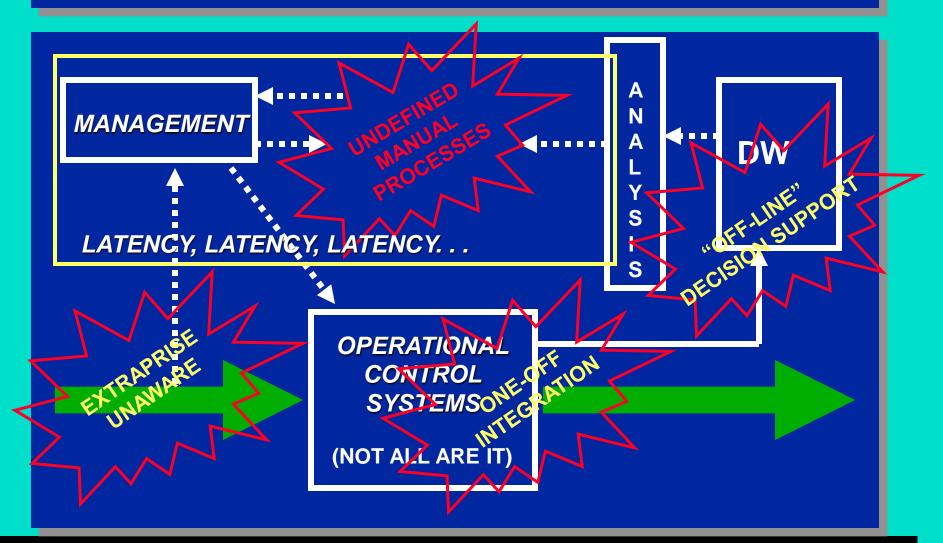
#### **TODAY: EVERYTHING IS CHANGING**

- E-BUSINESS, THE EVOLVING EXTRAPRISE, GLOBALIZATION, DISINTERMEDIATION, VERY SHORT TERM AND HIGH PROFIT OPPORTUNITIES, AND SO ON
- I.T. IS TOO OFTEN A SOURCE OF DELAY
- MOST TECHNOLOGY MARKETS ARE IN A SLUMP
- BUSINESS HAS NO SOLUTION AND NO ACE IN THE HOLE

#### TOMORROW: MORE & FASTER UNPREDICTABLE CHANGE

"...predictability is dead... the business world's future is unpredictable, unknowable, chaotic." -- The Power of Corporate Kinetics, Fradette and Michaud (Deloitte Consulting)

### **TODAY'S APPROACH** MANAGEMENT AND INTEGRATION



# THE PROBLEM EFFICIENT = HARD TO CHANGE

#### BUSINESS NEEDS A WAY TO ....

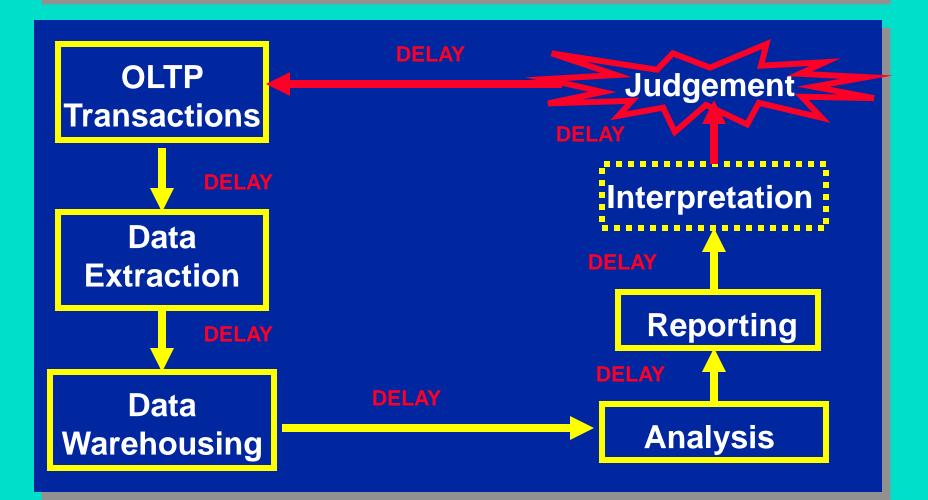
- **RESPOND TO RAPID CHANGE**
- IDENTIFY AND SEIZE THE BEST OPPORTUNITIES
- RETAIN AND USE ASSETS
- UNDERSTAND SUCCESS VS. FAILURE

#### I.T. NEEDS A WAY TO ...

- SUPPORT AND ALIGN WITH BUSINESS OBJECTIVES
- REPLACE OLD TECHNOLOGIES EFFICIENTLY
- INTEGRATE TECHNOLOGIES QUICKLY AND FLEXIBLY

"We finally learned how to integrate ERP, so don't change anything." to paraphrase Peter Dunning

### SUPPORTING THE JUDGEMENT TODAY'S DSS APPROACH



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### A NEW MILLENNIUM REQUIREMENT OPPORTUNITY MANAGEMENT

- Success Will Depend on the Ability To ...
  - IDENTIFY, "ANALYZE", & SEIZE <u>APPROPRIATE</u> OPPORTUNITIES
  - USE A REVOLUTIONARY OPPORTUNITY CAPABILITY RISK MODEL
    - » LIMITED BENEFIT OF COST CONTAINMENT & ZERO LATENCY
  - RESPOND TO AN OPPORTUNITY WINDOW REDUCED FROM MONTHS TO HOURS
- Fast Reaction and Rapid Change Ability Are Key

#### **CONCLUSION**

Business Survival Requires **Business Agility** 

# THE SOLUTION ENABLE AGILITY!

#### **BUSINESS - FROM HINDSIGHT TO FORESIGHT**

- <u>ZERO MANAGEMENT</u>: A NEW BUSINESS STRATEGY

- » RAPID RESPONSE, KNOWLEDGE-BASED DECISIONS
- **» DIRECT DECISION EXECUTION**
- » **OPPORTUNITY MANAGEMENT**
- **» MANAGEMENT OF DISTRIBUTED BUSINESS INTERESTS**
- **» EMPOWERMENT**

#### **I.T. - FROM COST CENTER TO VALUE CENTER**

- <u>ZERO MANAGEMENT</u>: A NEW I.T. FRAMEWORK
  - » SUPPORT RAPID INTEGRATION AND CHANGE
  - » DELIVER BUSINESS VALUE FAST (HIGH ROI)
  - » MANAGED COMPLEXITY
  - » AUTOMATIC ALIGNMENT

### A POWERFUL NEW MARKET IF WE DO IT RIGHT...

- INCREASE SOFTWARE VERSION UPTAKE
  - PROCESS ENABLED, RULES-BASED, EVENT-DRIVEN
- NEW TYPES OF SOFTWARE
  - DECISION CAPTURE AND MANAGEMENT
  - BUSINESS INTELLIGENCE AND CONTROL
  - ACTIVE BUSINESS KNOWLEDGE MODELS
  - SMART, SELF-INTEGRATING APPLICATIONS AND MIDDLEWARE
  - OLDM HIGHLY INTEGRATED DSS AND OLTP
  - ACTIVE, INCREMENTAL DATA WAREHOUSE SUPPORT
- RENEWED HARDWARE DEMAND
  - SERVERS, COMMUNICATIONS, CLIENTS, STORAGE

# ZERO MANAGEMENT<sub>tm</sub>

- A Business Effectiveness Goal for Business Agility

   A RALLYING CRY LIKE ZERO DEFECTS AND QUALITY CONTROL

  Reduce Traditional Management Authority Structure to Zero
  - ENABLE AUTONOMY, OWNERSHIP, AND DISTRIBUTION
- Processes to Zero
  - TRADITIONAL ANALYSIS, DECISION CYCLE DOESN'T WORK
  - ENABLE FAST CYCLE TIMES FOR MANAGEMENT
  - AVOID THE DEADLY "MEMO-MEDIATED MANAGEMENT"
  - AVOID REACTIVE MANUAL DECISIONS
  - ENABLE PROACTIVE DECISION RULES!

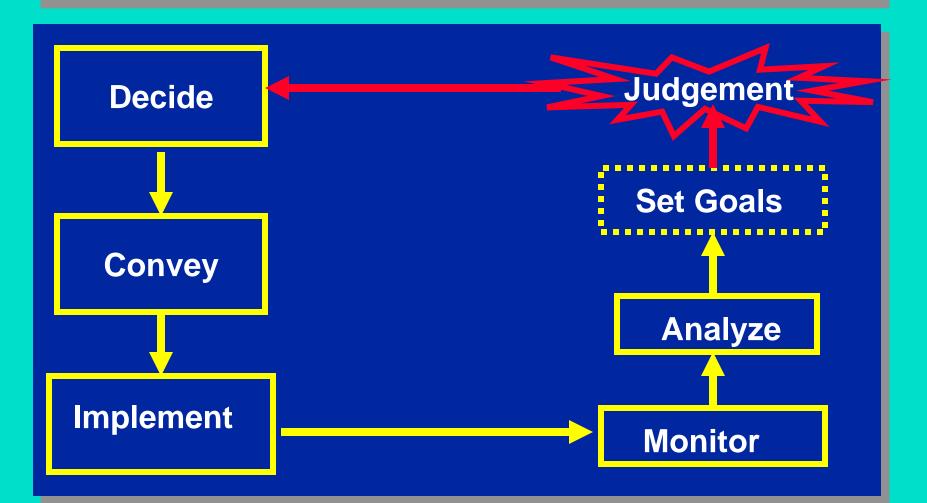
# ZERO MANAGEMENT'S BUSINESS VISION

- Technology Enabled for Business People
- Make Every Business Process <u>Real</u>
  - ESPECIALLY THE DECISION PROCESS
  - VIEW AT MULTIPLE FUNCTIONAL LEVELS (EXTRAPRISE TOO!)
  - EVERY INTERACTION ACCESSIBLE AND CONTROLLED ONLINE
  - EVERY STATUS ACCESSIBLE ONLINE
- Capture and Improve Decision & Process Efficiency
  - INNOVATION
  - TRANSFORMATION
- Capture Decision & Process Knowledge and History
- Enhanced, Dynamic Business Management
  - THROUGHOUT THE ENTERPRISE, ACROSS THE EXTRAPRISE!

### ZERO MANAGEMENT<sub>tm</sub> HOW IT WAS DEVELOPED

- Identify Archetypal Business Management Process
- Redefine For New Properties
  - INDEPENDENCE FROM MANAGEMENT STYLE
  - SCALABILITY
  - ARBITRARY COMPOSITION
  - AGILITY
  - MAXIMUM INDEPENDENCE
  - ROBUSTNESS
  - CORRECTNESS
- Translate Into Familiar
  - BUSINESS SCENARIOS
  - MANAGEMENT STYLES
- Explain Resulting Principles

### ARCHETYPE BUSINESS PROCESS (SOMEWHAT SIMPLIFIED)



### ZERO MANAGEMENT<sub>tm</sub> KEY PRINCIPLES

- Respond Rapidly
  - VIA ANTICIPATORY <u>OPPORTUNITY MODEL</u>
- Anticipate <u>Short Term</u> Changes
- React With Many Coordinated <u>Small</u> Decisions
   MINIMIZE IMPACT OF INDIVIDUAL ERRORS
- Apply Over <u>Short Interval</u>
- Capture Knowledge Assets
  - EVERY DECISION IMPLEMENTED AS A RULE
  - PERFORMANCE MEASURES IDENTIFIED
- Controlled Empowerment
  - DISSEMINATE DECISION RULE SYSTEMS, <u>NOT</u> AUTHORITY PER SE

<u>Result:</u>

#### Minimum Risk, Maximum Leverage

# ZERO MANAGEMENT'S TECHNOLOGY VALUE

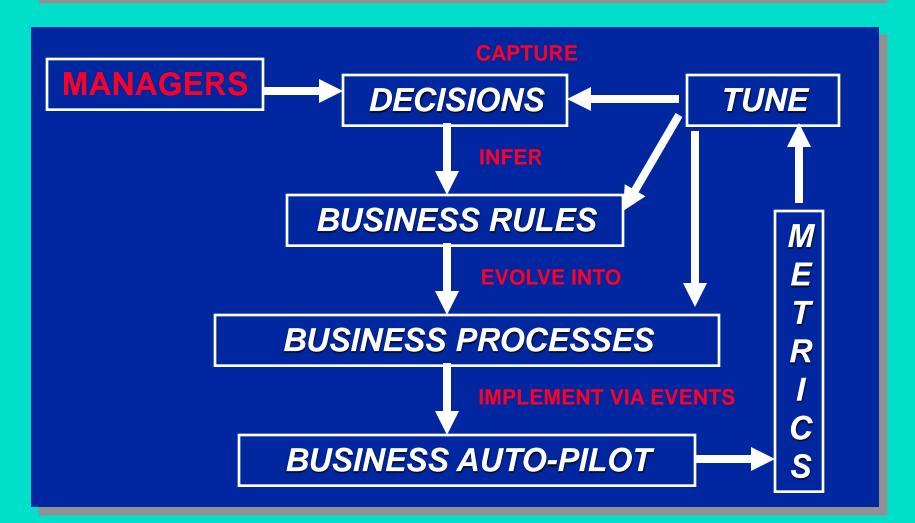
#### Help I.T. Reduce Costs

- REMOVE CONCEPTUAL BARRIERS TO ACCEPTANCE
- REMOVE COST BARRIERS TO ACCEPTANCE
  - » TIME TO DEPLOYMENT AND INITIAL R.O.I.
  - » INTERNAL I.T. AND EXTERNAL I.T. COSTS

#### Specific Cost Reductions

- INCORPORATES AND LEVERAGES DIRECT APPLICATION-TO-APPLICATION INTEGRATION EFFORTS
- INCORPORATES COMPONENT APPROACHES
- MINIMIZES COST BARRIERS TO INTEGRATION
- APPLICABLE TO MONOLITHIC ("LEGACY") APPLICATIONS AS WELL AS NEWER COMPONENTS
- INTEGRATES WITH MANUAL PROCESSES

### **ZERO MANAGEMENT**<sub>tm</sub> *KEY PRINCIPLES: DECISIONS*



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### **ZERO MANAGEMENT**<sub>tm</sub> *KEY PRINCIPLES: DECISIONS*

- Anatomy of a Management Decision
  - TRIGGERED BY A SET OF CONDITIONS
  - IMPLIES AN ACTION TO BE TAKEN
  - A DECISION CHANGES THE "STATE" OF THE BUSINESS
  - DECISIONS ARE PARTIALLY ORDERED IN TIME
  - A DECISION IS ONE BRANCH POINT IN A PROCESS
- Relationship to Business Rules
  - A RULE CONSISTS OF TWO PARTS: CONDITIONS AND ACTIONS
  - CONDITIONS AND ACTIONS MAY BE PARAMETERIZED
  - AN IMPLEMENTATION OF A BUSINESS RULE IS A DECISION
- Relationship to Process Models
  - A NETWORK OF BUSINESS RULES
  - ACTIVITIES TRANSITION THE STATE OF A BUSINESS

# **DECISIONS AND BUSINESS RULES**

#### Decision

- SEND THE ORDER TO HONG KONG FOR PACKAGING AND DO NOT SEND IT TO MILANO OR CHICAGO
- CONDITION: ORDER ENTRY IS COMPLETE AND CUSTOMER ADDRESS IS IN PACIFIC RIM
  - » THE "WHY"
- ACTION: SEND THE ORDER TO HONG KONG FOR PACKAGING
- Business Rule
  - IF CONDITION, THEN ACTION
  - IF ORDER ENTRY IS {COMPLETE } AND CUSTOMER ADDRESS IS IN {PACIFIC RIM}

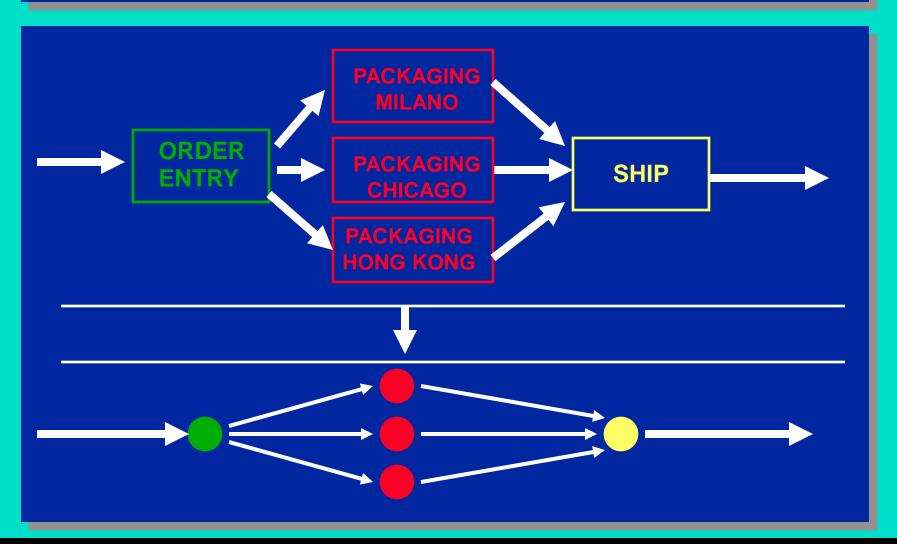
THEN SEND THE ORDER TO {HONG KONG} FOR PACKAGING



### **ZERO MANAGEMENT**<sub>tm</sub> *KEY PRINCIPLES: PROCESSES*

- Process Management
  - AN IMPROVEMENT OVER WORKFLOW
  - TYPICALLY REPRESENTED AS A DIRECTED GRAPH
    - » ARROWS IMPLY DIRECTION IN TIME
    - » BRANCH NODES ( MULTIPLE OUTPUTS) ARE DECISIONS
- Enable the Business Manager
  - CAPTURE DECISIONS AS DECISION RULES AND PROCESSES
    - » REPEATABLE AND AUTOMATABLE PROCESS MODEL
    - » INFERENCING AND RULE DISCOVERY
  - INTELLIGENT, <u>CONTINUOUS</u> IMPROVEMENT OF PROCESS
    - » AD-HOC CONDITIONING OF PROCESS BRANCHES
    - » RESPOND TO BUSINESS ERRORS VIA NEW PROCESS FLOWS
    - » NOT INVESTMENT HEAVY BPR!

### BUSINESS PROCESS MODEL



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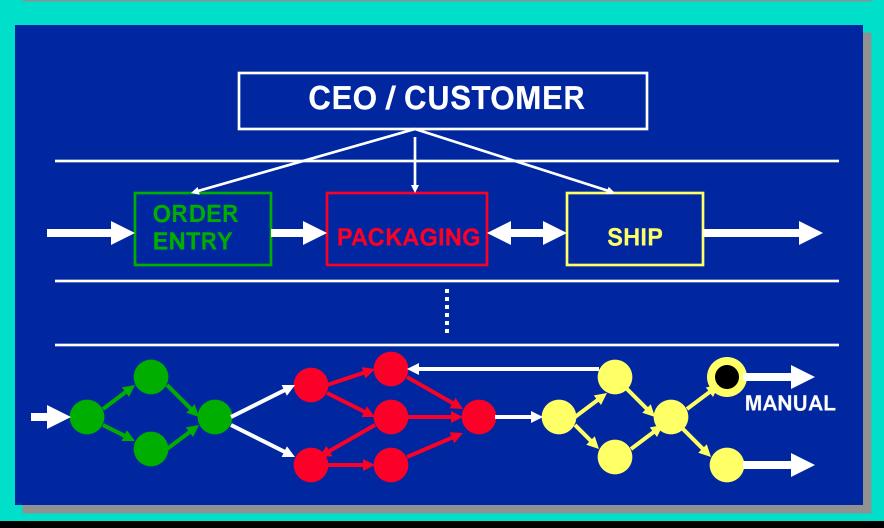
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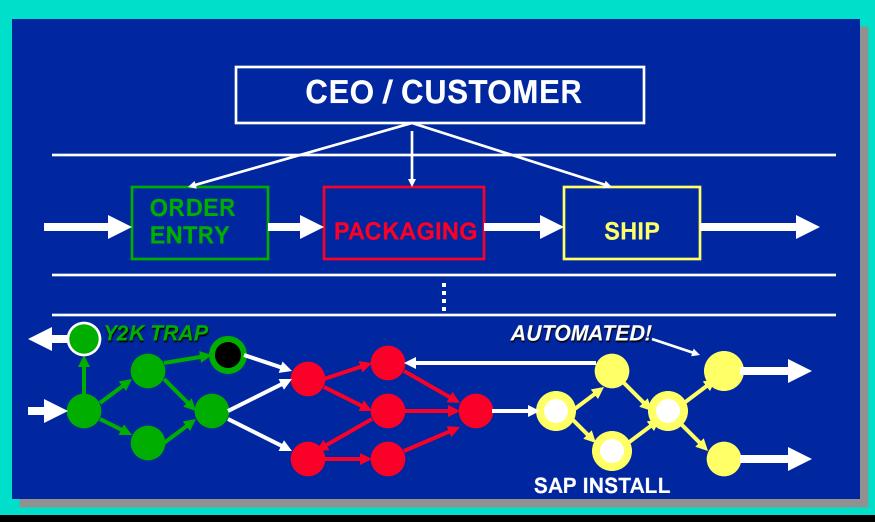
#### Process: Abstract, Connected Set of State Transitions

- » NODE: TRANSFORMATION OF CONDITIONS TO ACTIONS
- » ARC HEAD: PARTICULAR CONDITIONS (EVENTS)
- » ARC TAIL: PARTICULAR ACTIONS
- » ARCS CARRY STATE INFORMATION (DATA)
- COMPLETENESS: EVERY ACTION A CONDITION FOR SOME NODE
- PROCESSES CAN BE VERY ABSTRACT OR VERY DETAILED
- SEMANTICS
  - » FAN IN/FAN OUT DETERMINES THE "DEGREE" OF A NODE
  - » FAN IN/FAN OUT DETERMINES THE "DEGREE" OF AN ENTIRE PROCESS DIAGRAM (EXCLUDING SINKS AND SOURCES)
  - » THE CONDITIONS AND ACTIONS OF A NODE OR DIAGRAM (EXCLUDING SINKS AND SOURCES) DETERMINE ITS "TYPE"
- SUBSTITUTION: <u>A NODE CAN BE REPLACED BY A DIAGRAM OF</u> <u>THE SAME DEGREE AND TYPE</u>

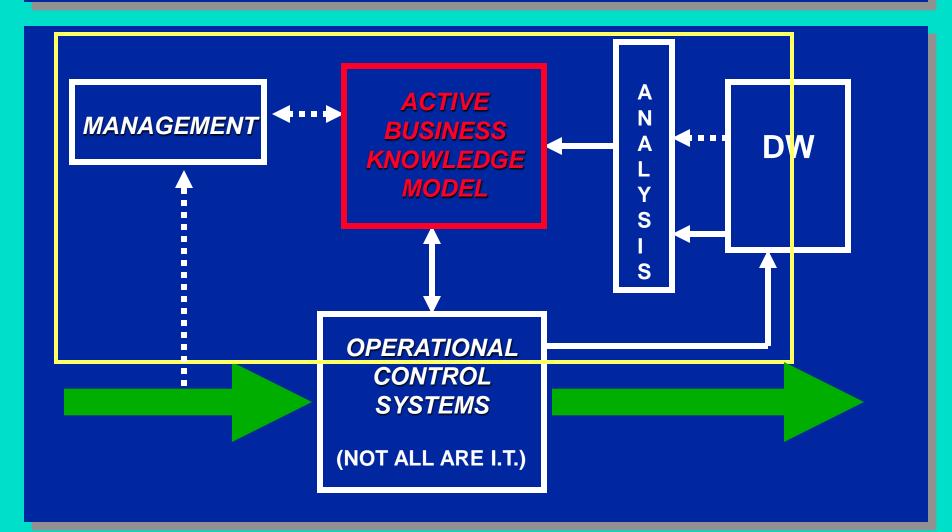
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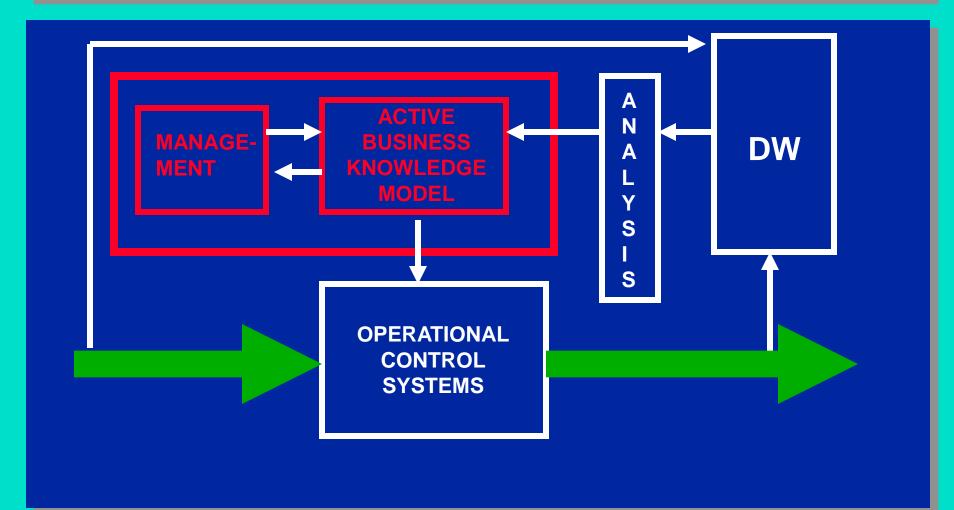
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# ZERO MANAGEMENT<sub>tm</sub> TECHNOLOGY OLDM, DECISION & PROCESS MANAGEMENT



### ZERO MANAGEMENT<sub>tm</sub> TECHNOLOGY CHARACTERISTICS

- Vertical Process Integration
  - TOP DOWN MANAGEMENT "HIERARCHY"
  - PROCESS INDEPENDENCE
  - PROVIDES EVENT AND DATA CONTEXT
  - DYNAMIC CONTROL
  - I.T. SUPPORTS THE PROCESS BACKBONE

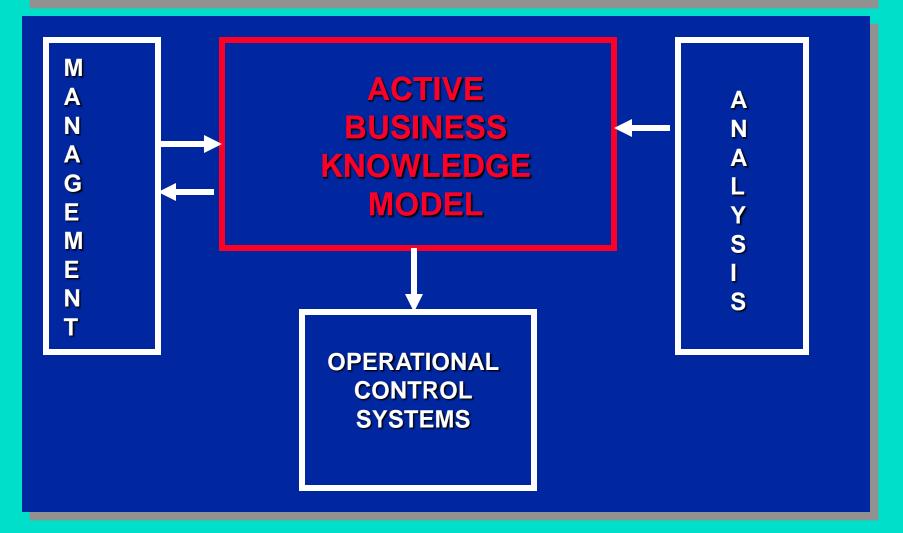
#### Horizontal Data Integration

- ACTIVITY TO ACTIVITY
- APPLICATION TO APPLICATION
- PROCESS ENGINE DATA TRANSFER
- BUSINESS TRANSACTION INTERFACES
- I.T. OWNS THE BOTTOM LEVEL OF THE PROCESS HIERARCHY
- FACILITIES
  - » REPLICATION, TRANSFORMATION, CLEANSING

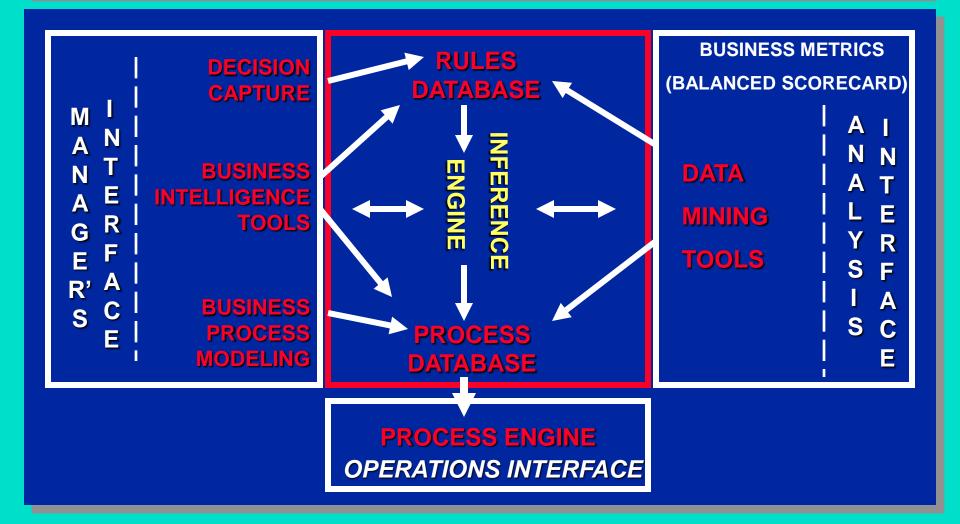
### **ZERO MANAGEMENT**<sub>tm</sub> *TECHNOLOGY CHARACTERISTICS*

- Business Event Driven
  - PROCESS MECHANISM "UNDERSTANDS" EVENTS
- Process Enabled
  - CONTROL IMPLEMENTED VIA PROCESS
    - » INITIATION, TERMINATION, STATUS,...
- Rule Based
  - FLEXIBLE AND DYNAMICALLY MAINTAINABLE
  - CAN BE DRIVEN FROM ACTIVE BUSINESS KNOWLEDGE MODEL
- Scalable
  - PLATFORM EXTENSIBLE
    - » HIERARCHICAL ARCHITECTURE
    - » OBJECTS CAN SPAN HARDWARE
  - NO SOFTWARE LIMITATIONS

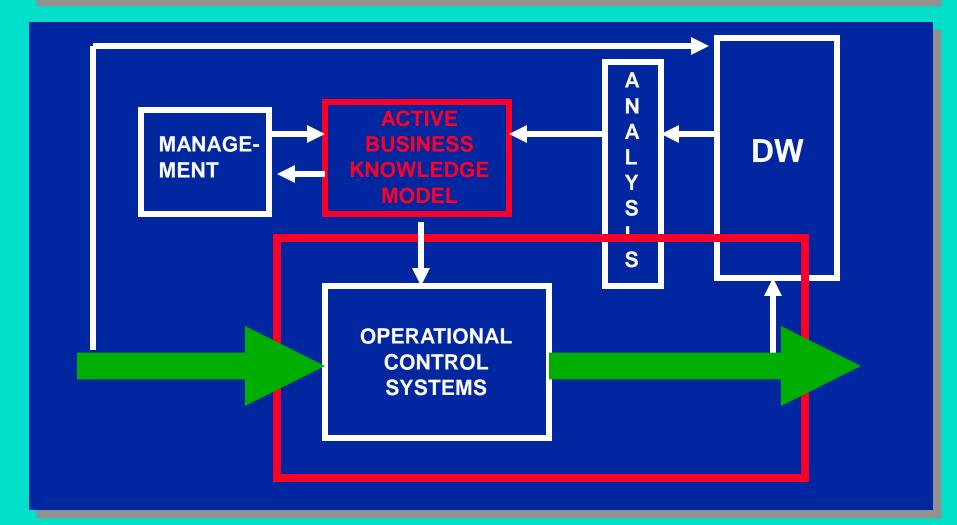
### ZERO MANAGEMENT'S ACTIVE BUSINESS KNOWLEDGE MODEL



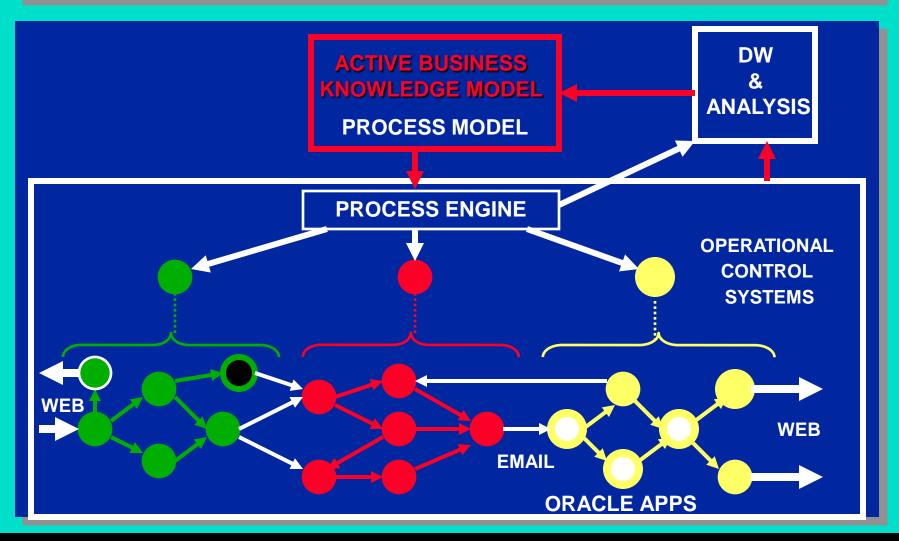
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# ZERO MANAGEMENT<sub>tm</sub> TECHNOLOGY MANUAL AND SOFTWARE SYSTEMS



### ZERO MANAGEMENT'S ENTERPRISE APPLICATION INTEGRATION



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## DELIVERING ZERO MANAGEMENT



# THE PLAN PR AND EDUCATION

- CEO AND CIO BREAKFASTS
- BOOKS AND ARTICLES
- WEB SITE
- CONFERENCES
  - BUSINESS AGILITY CONFERENCE IN 1999
  - ENTERPRISE APPLICATION INTEGRATION (DCI)
- KEYNOTES
- PRESS RELEASES
- POINT SOLUTION CASE STUDIES
- PUBLICIZE BUSINESS DIRECTION COMMITMENTS

# ZERO MANAGEMENT COUNCIL

- A HIGH PROFILE, NON-PROFIT ADVISORY COUNCIL
  - FOLLOW THE SQL ACCESS GROUP "MODEL"
  - LEADERS IN BUSINESS AND TECHNOLOGY
- IDENTIFY PROBLEMS AND EVALUATE SOLUTIONS
- PUBLISH GUIDELINES AND STANDARDS
  - BUSINESS / TECHNOLOGY DIRECTORY
  - BUSINESS STRATEGIES WHITE PAPER
    - » 1ST VERSION, TARGET FEB.'99
  - I.T. FRAMEWORK AND ROADMAP
    - » 1ST DRAFT, TARGET MAR.'99
- DEMONSTRATIONS & PRODUCT CERTIFICATION

# ZERO MANAGEMENT TECHNOLOGY LAB

- MEMBERS FUND AND BENEFIT MOST
- AUDIT PRODUCTS FOR VENDORS
  - RECOMMEND IMPROVEMENTS
- TEST INTEGRATION OF SOFTWARE PRODUCTS:
  - APPLICATIONS, TOOLS, SERVERS, AND MIDDLEWARE PRODUCTS
- BUILD PROTOTYPE SYSTEMS
- DEVELOP "COMPLIANCE" STANDARDS
  - PROCESS ENABLEMENT PROTOCOLS
  - RULES PROTOCOLS
  - EVENT PROTOCOLS

# ACTION ITEMS LEADING THE CHARGE

#### ENDORSEMENT

- AN OPEN MEMO ON THE IMPORTANCE OF THIS AGENDA
- YOUR COMPANY'S PUBLIC COMMITMENT TO THE CONCEPT
- CHARTER ADVISORY COUNCIL MEMBER
- SUGGEST OTHER MEMBERS

#### PROMOTE THE EFFORT

- INCORPORATE INTO PRESENTATIONS AND INTERVIEWS
- FUND AN BREAKFAST FORUM
- AUTHORIZE SUPPORT FROM P/R AGENCY

# ACTION ITEMS LEADING THE CHARGE

- SUPPORT THE TECHNOLOGY LAB
  - CO-FUNDING COMMITMENT
  - TECHNICAL SUPPORT AND PRODUCTS
- EDUCATE YOUR MANAGERS
  - IN HOUSE PRESENTATIONS
- ENABLE YOUR PRODUCTS



• USE ZERO MANAGEMENT AS IT MATURES

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