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Novadyne Computer Systems Co

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McDonnell Douglas Sells Computer Unit: Technology: The maintenance and hardware distribution division sold for \$65 million to an investment group.

[July 2, 1990 | PATRICK LEE, TIMES STAFF WRITER](#)

McDonnell Douglas Corp. sold its computer maintenance and hardware distribution division for \$65 million to a group of investors that includes management and is led by the San Francisco buyout firm Menke Titolo Capital Corp., officials confirmed Sunday. In a deal that closed Friday, McDonnell Douglas Field Services Co. will be renamed Novadyne Computer Systems Co.

Novadyne Computer Systems Moves to New Headquarters

[July 3, 1990 | Dean Takahashi / Times staff writer](#)

New headquarters: Novadyne Computer Systems Co., formerly McDonnell Douglas Field Services Co., will build a new headquarters in Santa Ana to house the 300 people working for the company at three sites in Orange County, spokeswoman Pat Dwight said Monday. McDonnell Douglas Corp. said Sunday that it had sold the computer maintenance and distribution division to a management-led investor group for \$65 million.

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Novadyne CEO and President Now Also Has Chairman Title

[August 14, 1990 | Dean Takahashi, Times staff writer](#)

Bert J. Novak, president and chief executive of Novadyne Computer Systems Inc. in Santa Ana, has picked up the additional title of chairman, the company said Monday. Novak, a 25-year veteran of the computer industry, led a \$65-million management buyout of the company, formerly McDonnell Douglas Field Service Co., in July. The company makes computer systems for businesses and government agencies.

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Novadyne Plans Move Into New Headquarters in 1991

[October 26, 1990 | DEAN TAKAHASHI, TIMES STAFF WRITER](#)

Novadyne Computer Systems Inc., a computer maintenance and hardware distribution company, said Thursday that it plans to move next year into a new \$25-million headquarters here. Novadyne is a former McDonnell Douglas Corp. subsidiary that was spun off as an independent company in a \$65-million management buyout in July. The new 170,000-square-foot headquarters will house Novadyne's 400 local employees and will be across the street from its current headquarters on St. Andrews Place. Bert J.

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Strapped Distributed Logic Sells Its Service Operations

[December 20, 1990 | DEAN TAKAHASHI, TIMES STAFF WRITER](#)

Under pressure from its lenders, financially troubled Distributed Logic Corp. said Wednesday that it has sold its computer service operations in the United States to Santa Ana-based Novadyne for an undisclosed price. The cash-hungry company also sold its computer service operations in the United Kingdom, to British computer firm Sorbus Ltd. The purchase price was not disclosed.

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Santa Ana, Irvine Firms Sign Pentagon Contract

[May 8, 1991](#)

Novadyne Computer Systems Inc. said it has signed an agreement with Secure Systems Group Inc. of Irvine in which the two companies will jointly service and repair computers for the Defense Department and other government customers. Under the agreement, Santa Ana-based Novadyne and Secure Systems will provide computer maintenance services for standard computers as well as hardware designed to meet the Pentagon's Tempest standard for security and performance in hostile environments.

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[December 3, 1991 | Dean Takahashi / Times staff writer](#)

Novadyne Deal: Novadyne Computer Systems Inc. in Santa Ana said Monday that it formed a partnership with Landover, Md.-based Automated Business Systems and Services Inc. to maintain government computers in the District of Columbia. Novadyne officials said the deal would significantly increase the company's business with the government.

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Science/technology

[January 7, 1992 | Dean Takahashi, Times staff writer](#)

Novadyne Enters Multiprocessing Field: Novadyne Computer Systems Inc., a Santa Ana company that sells and services business computers, has joined the so-called multiprocessing field. On Monday, the company introduced its first family of multiprocessing computers, which use more than one processor to improve computing speed. Novadyne's computers can accommodate anywhere from 64 to 256 users on a corporate network at the same time.

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COMPUTERS/TECHNOLOGY : Novadyne Expands Marketing Staff and Lays Off 25 Others

[February 11, 1992 | Dean Takahashi / Times staff writer](#)

Novadyne Computer Systems Inc., a computer service and repair company in Santa Ana, said Monday that it has reorganized its work force, expanding its sales and marketing staffs and laying off 25 employees in other departments. The layoffs took place last month, when the company also announced a freeze on salary increases during 1992. The company is reacting to the recession by shifting resources from engineering to sales and marketing.

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Novadyne Computer Systems eliminates 95 employees and reduces wages in major reorganization.

[June 2, 1992 | DEAN TAKAHASHI, TIMES STAFF WRITER](#)

Jobs Wither in Drought of Recession: Novadyne Computer Systems Inc. said Monday that it has cut its staff by 11%, or 95 people, and reduced its employee compensation as part of a reorganization of its computer systems sales and repair business. The reorganization divides the company into two main units and is designed to accelerate its transition from a computer service business to one that also sells business computer systems, Chairman Bert J. Novak said in a statement.

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Novadyne Depot, 50 Workers Become Part of Cerplex

[March 18, 1993 | JOHN O'DELL, TIMES STAFF WRITER](#)

Novadyne Computer Systems Inc. has turned over its Santa Ana parts warehouse and repair depot and the 50 employees who work there to Cerplex Inc. of Anaheim. Under a strategic partnership agreement that took effect March 1, Cerplex, which has several other computer-parts repair operations in Orange County, will lease the former Novadyne facility, located on the ground floor of Novadyne's Santa Ana

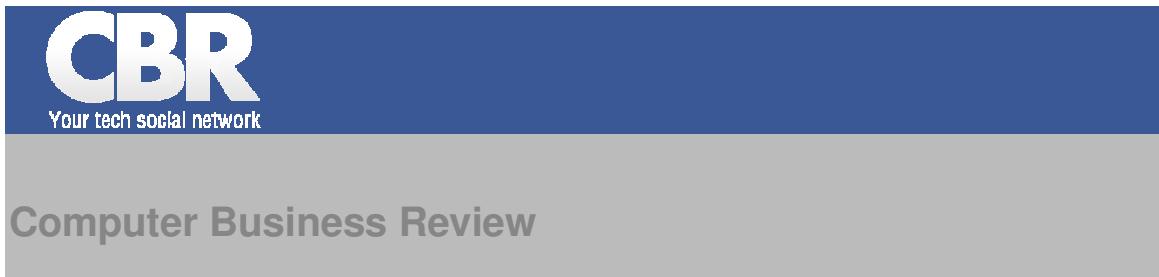
headquarters building, and will charge Novadyne market rates for repair work.

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Other News

[December 22, 1993 | From Times Staff and Wire Reports](#)

Novadyne Settles Suit: Novadyne Computer Systems Inc. said it has concluded restructuring negotiations with its original investor groups and various other creditors that "substantially reduce" the company's debts. The company, formerly the computer maintenance and hardware distribution unit of McDonnell Douglas Corp., said it also has settled a dispute with its former parent company and withdrawn the lawsuit it filed earlier this year in the federal court in Los Angeles.



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NOVADYNE COMPUTER SYSTEMS INC HAS ADDED AN ON-LINE SYSTEM DIAGNOSTICS AND DISK UTILITY TO ITS REALITY PICK LINE

[CBR Staff Writer | 05 March 1991](#)

Novadyne Computer Systems Inc, the Santa Ana, California successor company to McDonnell Douglas Information Systems in North America, has added an on-line system diagnostics and disk utility to provide transparent, remote disk error correction for its Reality Pick line: the System On-Line Maintenance Executive enables its service engineers to ensure proper disk and media function without an on-site visit or the system being taken down - when the Novadyne engineer invokes the thing, remotely via modem, it suspends all on-going operations of the Reality system for less than 500mS and while the computer is in sleep mode, defective media - the primary cause of disk errors - are reassigned automatically, the company explains.