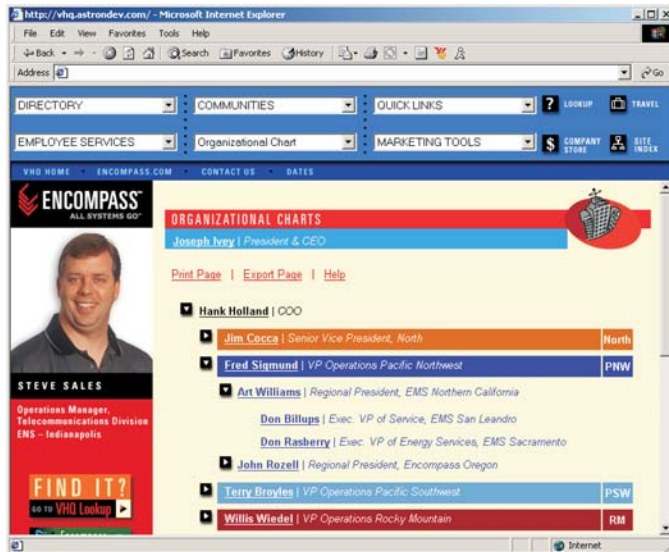


Encompass Collaborative Business Intranet



Secure Intranet

The intranet is a combination of two sites, one accessible only internally on the company's network and the other allows access outside of the company's firewall. The intranet was developed to organize and structure Encompass Services, a Fortune 500 company comprised of over 200 constantly evolving companies nationwide. The site serves as a storehouse of data and an information exchange forum for employees.

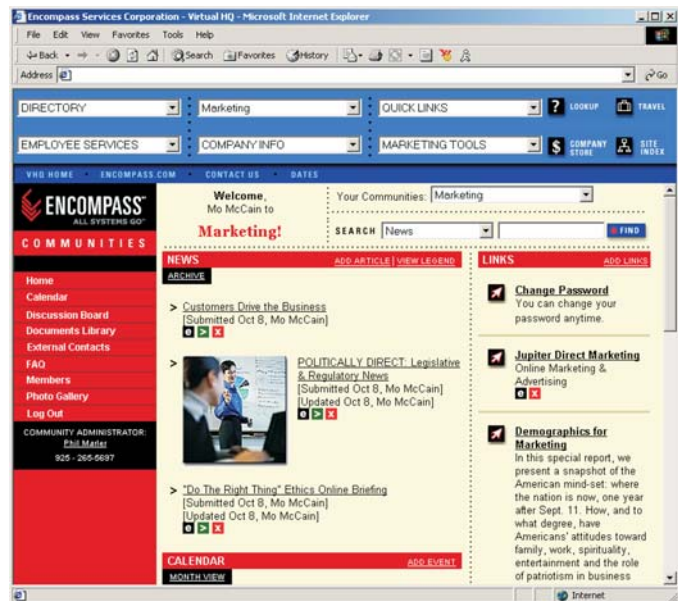


The major features of this site are:

- Multilevel authentication
- Business/employee information retrieval
- Business organization by location and service
- Customer data recall
- Powerful business/employee/document search engine
- Dynamic company organization chart
- Virtual global community meeting place
- Interface for requesting travel
- Market center for corporate defined materials

“Our company is geographically dispersed, and the VHQ intranet is a key communications tool to keep our 200+ offices tuned in and up to speed on current initiatives. What I like best about it though, is that I don't have to rely on our IT department to make changes or modifications. We built it so that I'm completely self-sufficient -- if I need to upload a new story, announce a new project or even change an address -- I can do it myself in just a few seconds.”

Mary Wiggins
Manager - Corporate Communications
Encompass Services



Astron Services at Work

Astron International worked with Encompass Services to conceptualize the VHQ intranet site, its numerous sophisticated features, and the multilevel user access security system. The site was developed using Microsoft technologies - SQL server, IIS 5.0 and ASP.

