

EXHIBIT 1.6

CHARACTERISTIC	MAGIC	TECHNOLOGY
Ancillary Uses	Few	Many
Compatibility	Low	High
Complexity	High	Low
Configuration Time	High	Low
Cost	Variable/High	Fixed/Low
Deliverable	Prototype	Commodity
Economies of Scale	Low	High
Expectation	Variable	Known
Goal	Capability	Profitably
Installed Base	Small	Large
Marginal Cost	High	Low
Mechanism of Action	Unknown	Known
Perception	Emotive	Logical
Paradigm	Art	Science
Price	High	Low
Repeatability	Low	High
Resource Requirements	High/Variable	Low/Fixed
ROI	Unknown/Variable	Known/Fixed
Scalability	Low	High
Training Requirements	High	Moderate/Low
Usability	Single Event	Continuous

Knowledge Management Isn't Perfect—Yet

In most organizations, Knowledge Management is a work-in-progress, with some subtle and some obvious imperfections. For example, the transfer of data, information, and knowledge from person to person, person to computer system, or one generation of employees to the next is an imperfect process that rarely occurs smoothly and always involves loss of information. Loss of information happens when recording standards shift, when a longer-lasting storage medium requires transfer of information, when data must be migrated between storage locations or translated from one form of representation to another, and when the computer hardware used to interpret the data becomes obsolete.