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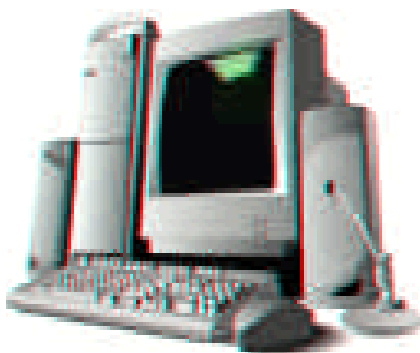
Q: I currently operate with a 286 computer that has DOS-based software customized for my company. My vendor told me that in order to upgrade my hardware, I would also have to upgrade my software at a considerable expense. An associate of mine told me that my DOS programs should run under Windows. Is this correct? > *Brian, Williamsville NY*

A: Brian, most DOS applications will run just fine under Windows 3.1, 95, and NT. You may need to create or modify a PIF (program information file) or ShortCut for that program which tells Windows what the proper DOS settings are to use (contact your software vendor for which settings need to be modified). Now, while it is possible that your software vendor really is just trying to soak you for a few more thousand dollars, there are some programs out there that simply will NOT run under Windows. The best thing you can do is to simply make a backup of your system and then give it a try. If it doesn't work, you can always restore from your original backup. >*Rick*

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