



INTERNET ACCESS

Our Bank's Approach

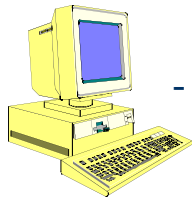
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- Stand Alone P.C. For Each Dial-Up Internet Connection
- Currently 35 Out Of 165 Employees
- Requests For 20 Additional Units



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WHY NOT THROUGH WAN

- Initial Lack of Technical Expertise
- Could Not Answer Question –
“How secure will it be?”
- Productivity Studies of early 90’s
- Cost



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NEGATIVES

- No Control
- High Maintenance
- Transferring Work To WAN, – A Problem
- Outside Metropolitan Area
Telecommunication costs are high
- Restricts Access





POSITIVES



- Very Secure
- Cost Effective For Low Number of Users
- Less Technical/Security Expertise Required
- Restricts Access



CHALLENGES FACED WITH EITHER METHOD

- Internet Access/Security Policies Must Be In Place
- Telecommunications/Bandwidth Challenges With Either Method
- Most Of Our Machines Still Require Firewall Protection
- Cost



IN CONCLUSION

- **There Is A Breaking Point To The Costs Versus Benefit Of Stand-Alone Access**
- **We Constantly Review Our Options**
- **The Challenge of Business To Business Economy Is Ease Of Transactions/Use Versus Security**

