

Will OpenSolaris and Linux Soon Be Trading Code?

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Sun Microsystems puzzles me sometimes.

Take, for instance, Sun president Jonathan Schwartz's recent announcement that Sun might dual-license Solaris under its own CDDL (Common Development and Distribution License) and the GPL 3 (GNU General Public License).

OK, I'll bite. "Why?"

Schwartz said, "We want to do what we can to drive more efficiency and cross-pollination between Linux and OpenSolaris."

I'll buy that. My question is, "Why didn't you just put Solaris under GPL 2 in the first place?"

Everyone, and I mean everyone, knew when Sun opened Solaris under the CDDL that it was incompatible with GPL 2.

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