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TOTAL DISTORTION™ MUSIC VIDEO ADVENTURE GAME

Welcome! This demo will give you a sneak preview of Pop Rocket's ambitious **Music Video** Adventure Game. However, even though this demo is huge, it can only give you a peek at the 500+ megabytes of highly interactive media on the actual Total Distortion CD-ROM.

System requirements for this Demonstration:

IBM PC or compatible with

- 486 SX processor running at 25 Mhz (minimum), 33 Mhz or better recommended
- DOS 5.0 or better
- Microsoft Window 3.1
- QuickTime for Windows 1.1.1 (included)
- 2 megabytes of FREE & AVAILABLE RAM or greater (4 megabytes total RAM is a minimum, 8 megabytes total RAM is recommended)
- A double-spin CD-ROM drive
- An MPC compatible sound card
- A SuperVGA display card supporting 256 colors in 640x480 mode
- Color monitor

The above specifications describe an entry-level MPC (Multimedia PC) Level 2 machine. Performance may be unacceptable on a machine with only 4 megabytes of RAM. Please attempt to free up as much memory as possible before running the demo on a machine with the minimum amount of memory. Using Virtual Memory under Windows may help you run the demo with less memory, but with degraded

performance.

PLEASE QUIT ALL OTHER WINDOWS APPLICATIONS BEFORE OPENING THE DEMO! For best results, please close (quit) any other applications that may be running (such as word processors, databases, etc.). **EVEN IF YOU HAVE PLENTY OF RAM AND A VERY FAST MACHINE**, other applications open in the background can slow down performance and animation, so be sure to close them all.

If you do not have QuickTime for Windows 1.1.1 installed, certain QuickTime animations will not play. However, you can still view a majority of the demo without it.

This demo folder contains:

1. An animated demonstration that contains selected animated examples, voice narration, and a sampling of simulated gameplay.
2. Text information (in this document) on TOTAL DISTORTION and Pop Rocket, Inc.
3. EPS and DIB Logos.

You can advance through the TOTAL DISTORTION Demo manually, or you can let the demo run by itself at any time. This presentation will go into "auto-demo" mode if left unattended. You can resume manual control at any screen. You can use whatever screen capture utility you have to grab screen shots while the demo plays.

Installation Procedure:

1. Insert the Total Distortion Demo CD-ROM into your CD-ROM drive (assumed to be drive D: in the example command given below).
2. Run Microsoft Windows, and select the "Run" command from the "File" menu.
3. Type in **D:\SETUP** into the command line and click on the OK button. (If your CD-ROM drive has a different drive letter than D:, substitute the correct drive letter.)
4. The **SETUP** program will install QuickTime for Windows and create a new program group and program item for the Total Distortion Demo. Just double-click on the new TD icon, and sit back and enjoy the demo.

WE REPEAT: PLEASE QUIT ALL APPLICATIONS BEFORE OPENING THE DEMO! For best results under Windows, please close (quit) any other applications that may be running (such as word processors, databases, etc.). EVEN IF YOU HAVE PLENTY OF RAM AND A PENTIUM MACHINE, other applications open in the background WILL slow down performance and animation, so be sure to close them all.

The TOTAL DISTORTION Demo is a very demanding application and performance will depend upon CPU speed and CD ROM access time.

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Pop Rocket's TOTAL DISTORTION
an all-original
"Music Video Adventure Game"
on CD-ROM!

Featuring the work of Joe Sparks, Kent Carmical, and Maura Sparks!

TOTAL DISTORTION™, Pop Rocket's first CD-ROM title, represents a completely new category of entertainment software. "TD" incorporates a unique blend of adventure gaming, creative activities, character dialog, original music, 3D exploration, and pure weirdness.

TOTAL DISTORTION is also an interactive rock-media "theme park" on CD-ROM. You will explore a full color 3D world filled with awesome graphics and animation, intense music, and interactive software attractions.

TOTAL DISTORTION is a bizarre and sometimes amusing multimedia experience. Innovative software devices with 3D animation allow you to quickly assemble music videos, navigate to far-out locations, and interact with radical adolescents, underground punks, metal heads, and Gothic mutants.

TOTAL DISTORTION is also a game that tests your creativity, powers of observation, curiosity, and business savvy. Take on the role of an "Adventurous Music Video Producer" who travels to another plane of existence in search of fresh material. After gathering songs, video clips, and sound effects, you'll need to create music videos. Television producers back on planet earth are eagerly awaiting to make a deal with you- IF they like your work.

You'll beam music videos back to planet earth and your bank

account will grow. If you fail, the power will burn out in your "Personal Media Tower," the food supply will dry up, and you'll be stranded in the Dimension of Distortion! The gaming system within Total Distortion is unique, rewarding creativity and intellect. Games are user configurable, you can set the goal, danger, and difficulty levels.

Special Features:

- Huge interactive world! Complex puzzles, exploration, creative activities, and gaming!
- Full Color 3D Navigation- "Walk" through a huge movie-like world!
- Elaborate, detailed graphics and animation
- Giant Soundtrack- mood music, sound effects and over 60 all original songs!
- Conversation- Talking characters will remember you, you can talk back!
- Virtual Rock Stars- Wild characters rock out and sing their own songs.
- Interactive Devices™- Software within software! Play with radios, video games, magic books, loud guitars and more.
- Total Distortion Video Sequencer- Get creative and make mini music videos! Share them with your friends!
- Adventure Gaming!!!- Explore the world, find and carry items in your inventory, gain wealth, develop relationships with other characters, battle the sinister and deadly Guitar Warriors, and more.
- Media Overload- Deranged books, fun games, tripped out TV shows and videos, bizarre radio programs, and supernatural stage shows!

TOTAL DISTORTION is the first CD-ROM in a line of Music Video Adventure Games under development at Pop Rocket, Inc..

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Expectations are high for interactive media developer and publisher, Pop Rocket™

Pop Rocket, Inc., located in San Francisco, was incorporated in early 1992 to develop and publish interactive media. Pop Rocket has earned the reputation as a leading-edge developer of interactive media, through demonstrations of work under development to many industry gatherings, including Macworld Japan & Multimedia '92 in Tokyo, Imagina '93 in Europe, and CHI '92 & Macworld San Francisco in the United States. Pop Rocket was recently featured in the cover story of Business Week, issue dated March 2nd, 1994.

Joe Sparks, Pop Rocket's President, brought together professionals from the music recording and software industries and assembled an talented team. The company was formed shortly after Sparks co-developed the pioneering and popular interactive CD-ROM "Spaceship Warlock."

Sparks is a frequent panelist & keynote speaker at industry gatherings.



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