

ICEBOX Adding Value for Living Beyond[™] is the "Digital Lifestyle" product line and associated business initiative by Salton, Inc.

Beyond[™] is an important part of Salton's strategy for defining it's future business. The addition of digital features to add value is seen by Salton as a clear trend and requirement for future appliances.

The Beyond[™] line of digital lifestyle appliances target a broad spectrum of consumers, leveraging home networking for high consumer value...



innovation for a healthier today and tomorrow

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Beyond Added Value; Virtuous Circle







Issues that are driving the market for the Connected Kitchen

Deployment of Fixed Broadband Technologies.

This creates a need to:

•fill those broadband pipes with services and content

capitalize on the existing customer base.

Issues that are driving the market for the Connected kitchen

 A clearly defined consumer need for relevant services that save time and money

•A clearly defined consumer need for a media that addresses the kitchen situation.

•A widely adopted strategy from many Service and Content Providers to close the distance between them and the end-user.

Current trend towards upgrading kitchens

The Trend of Technologies







The Swedish kitchen

Socializing



Deciding

Informing

Planning

Communicating

Organizing

The kitchen is the natural place for the family to conduct it's business in Scandinavia – it is the control and communication center of the home.

40% of awake time in the house, and 70% of all decisions, are spent and made in the kitchen - Scandinavia (Published by Electrolux 2000)

ICEBOX" 11 The media-centre optimized for the kitchen

ICEBOX

- Information,
- Communication,
- Entertainment
- Multi-Function,
- Kitchen Ready,
- Family Appliance



ICEBOX

Information, Communication, Entertainment

Multi-Function

- Television,
- = FM radio,
- DVD/CD player,
- Internet access,
- Home video monitoring,
- Appliance networking

Kitchen Ready

- Washable keyboard and remote
- Touch-screen LCD monitor

Family

- Used by all family members
- Encourages socializing

Appliance

- Easy and consistent to use
- Always on
- Upgradeable embedded system for long life



Positioning of the ICEBOX

- Broadband terminal for the home in the kitchen
- Info/Communication/ Entertainment centre for the kitchen
- Services Channel for the home
- Platform for the Connected and Networked home



ICEBOX - the "Infotainment Center" for the kitchen



ICEBOX, broadband terminal in the kitchen - "The Home Services Channel"





"- a tool to manage the everyday life at home

ICEBOX- as platform for the Connected and Networked Home













ICEBOX- Multimedia terminal in the kitchen - addressing the needs of "new" user groups

Families with children



at home

Busy couples in



urban areas

"Fyrtiotalister" with



purchasing power

Internet Home Alliance US "Mealtime" Research

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Internet Home Alliance

IHA Members.

- Cisco
- HP
- Invensys
- Panasonic Tech
- Whirlpool
- General Motors

- IBM
- Microsoft
- Protor & Gamble
- Sears
- Icebox
- Miele

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IHA "Meal-time" Trial Set-up

Test set-up

- 20 families for 6 months; 10 families with each access device for 3 months then all families got both for another 3 months.
- Independent research company
- Kitchen Access device
 - Icebox Flipscreen; an entertainment-centric device
 - Whirlpool Fridge with removable Web-pad; a computer-centric device
- Home network package
 - Whirlpool Polara Oven controlled via access device
 - HP kitchen printer
- Remote Access Package
 - WAP phone; internet enabled access to home to control Polara oven.
- Mealtime, integrated application package
 - Recipes
 - Shopping List
 - Family Calendar
- Services
 - Home shopping via Peapod
 - Training
 - Customer support

iCEBOX Propensity to purchase

Trialists were asked their likelihood of purchasing during the trial

Propensity to purchase	Pre trial	Mid Trial	Post Trial
Tablet PC	80%	50%	35%
	(8/10)	(5/10)	(7/20)
Icebox	80%	90%	95%
	(8/10)	(9/10)	(19/20)

 \cdot Researchers report that in previous tests good appliances start at 80% and decline to 60-70%

• It is unheard of for an appliance to increase propensity for purchase during such a test a the iCEBOX did.

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Impact of components on purchase decision

Trialists asked what role each component plays in their purchase decision. Percent is those saying "must have".

Feature	Pre-trial	Post-trial
Icebox	70%	95%
Polara Oven	80%	60%
Printer	20%	40%
Tablet PC	35%	35%
Meal planning applications	N/a	28%
WAP Phone	70%	0%

• The Icebox was considered the most essential component in deciding to purchase "mealtime package".

• The only other component which increased in importance over the trial was the printer.

iCEBOX Frequency of use

Frequency of use of the Icebox features per week

Activity	Mid-trial	Post-trial
Send/receive e-mail	1.8	4.2
Use the Internet	8.4	13.0
Play a CD	4.9	8.4
Play a DVD	2.2	3.4
Listen to the Radio	6.0	9.4
Watch TV	11.9	17.3

• In comparison the Tablet PC declined over time to a usage of just 1.5 for e-mails and 7.6 for Internet (other functions not available on Tablet PC)

iCEBOX Internet Access

By end of trial what % of internet time was accounted for by access devices and home PC

Device	Percent of time	
Home PC	63%	
Icebox	26%	
Tablet PC	12%	

Trialists also asked impact of new access devices in total internet

usage

Internet usage impact		
Same	20%	
Somewhat more	50%	
Much more	30%	

• A kitchen access device accounted for ca. 38% of all internet usage

• A kitchen access device increases internet usage (and hence value) in 80% of households with 30% reporting major increase

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Impact on family life in the kitchen

New Technology can be seen a threat as it divides families into different rooms.

There was considerable evidence that Icebox countered above because;

• Being in kitchen was more enjoyable; mostly because of media feature of Icebox

• The kitchen became the "Hub of the home"

- Centralized Internet access brought family members together
- $\boldsymbol{\cdot}$ Other family members more likely to join "meal preparer" in the kitchen

• Increased quality of family time and more often got help from family members

"The icebox was a great inducement to getting the kids into the kitchen. Now that my 4 year-old son has seen what goes on in there, he always wants to help in the kitchen"

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Conclusion from Mealtime Trial

- Much of the perceived value in "mealtime" derived from the Icebox alone.
 - Businesses wanting to supply home networking should seriously consider using the Icebox as the lead device for the kitchen.
- The Icebox beat the Tablet PC in every aspect.
 - A "computer-like" device is not the right solution for the kitchen
- \cdot The Icebox is an easy to use product which has a range of features which people actually want
- The Icebox is used by all the family and has a positive impact on family dynamics in the kitchen. Hence it is very appealing to women.
- The usage of the Icebox increases over time as users come to appreciate what it offers
- Hence the value offered by the Icebox increases with time.
- The Icebox has a significant impact on internet usage in the home and so is a very important product for service providers.

 $\cdot \text{The Icebox}$ is complementary to the household PC being used for additional to access additional services

• Hence Icebox adds value to internet provision to the home

iCEBOX as a Broadband Terminal		
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instruction."		
Touch Screen		
Touch Screen		

"Easy to use



What are apartment services?

A set of relevant home services that:

•assists the user in improving the quality of their life by easing the burden of routine everyday tasks in the home.

•addresses specific end user needs

•add tangible value to the user in the form of saved money and time.

•are delivered into the home, via a new media, by the latest computer and communication technology

Behavior towards Time and Money



The Apartment Services potential



















