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Here we are in the next release of the Notes 8 client and I want to point out some of the new capabilities that we're working on.

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We're always trying to make it a little bit easier for you to manage your mail, so we give you a mail quota indicator to find out how close you are to getting to that 'full point'.

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To help you manage that mail quota better, we now include the capability for integrating Lotus Quickr. This allows you to easily open files directly from a Quickr library or add mail messages as Quickr links as I've shown down here in this mail message. You can even easily move received attachments into your Quickr library, again to help you manage that mail quota.

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Now what I'm going to do here is go over to the calendar and create an online meeting, and show you that whether you choose to manage your own meetings within Sametime web conferencing, or if you choose to use a service with Sametime Unyte, both are planned to be available within the Notes client.

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And you can now pre-configure all your conference information so that it will automatically appear in your meeting invitation.

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I think one of the 'coolest' new features in Notes is what we call the Widget palette. Widgets allow you to very easily extend and customize your Notes environment.

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So here's my Widget palette, and you can see that I have some widgets in place. I'll open up this one – this is actually a Google Clock Gadget that I have installed on my sidebar, so I have access to it very easily.

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Creating these is very simple. All I have to do is go to my widget wizard, and you can see from here I can select to can create these widgets from Notes views or any web page or any news feed or any Google Gadget.

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And I'll select that now, and you can see that I am immediately brought to the Google Gadget web page. So we can go ahead and select any one of these - I'll

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just select the Weather one because it's the first one here – and then all I do is push a button to add it to the sidebar. I now have that gadget available for use.

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It's really easy to now customize the widget – I'll go ahead and get the current weather for Orlando. Man, it's cold out today!

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We can also create widgets by example. For example, here's a standard Notes application. If I run the wizard again, this time it recognizes that I'm in a Notes application, automatically selects the appropriate capabilities for me, and now I have access to that Notes view in my sidebar. Again, very easy to be able to customize and utilize this capability.

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**[Other Voice:]** Ron, Notes is all about collaboration. Why don't you show how to share what you're building there?

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That's a good point, Jeff, because widgets can be distributed through an online catalog or they can even be distributed through e-mail. For example, here I've got an e-mail message from Heather, and she's sent me a widget. All I really have to do is drag it to my sidebar, and it's installed. I double-click on it, and I now have access to that particular stock information.

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Policies can be set up to prohibit or restrict how these widgets can be distributed in an enterprise.

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Now, one of the other capabilities we have is that widgets can be configured to support "Live text". "Live text" allows a widget to scan your Notes document for a pattern and then provide actions on that pattern.

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So for example, when I select this email message, you'll notice that the "Live Text" fields are highlighted. In this example, when I click on the stock ticker for IBM, I immediately get that stock information, because that stock widget that I installed automatically supported Live Text.

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And you can have these widgets configured for selectable text – for example if I select the word 'Atlanta', right mouse button, and invoke my News widget, you

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can see that I'll get a news feed where 'Atlanta' was used as the criteria in the search.

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What's powerful is that we provide the relevant information in the context of what you are doing.

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You can even create widgets to provide in-context business data. For example, imagine having documents that have customer numbers or part numbers or invoices. Creating a widget that connects to a backend web service, you then can provide that in-context data where the user is.

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Now, both Jeff and Russ mentioned improvements to Domino Web Access. What I'm going to do now is show you the new Domino Web Access 'lite' mode.

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You'll notice that I am still logged in as the same user – which shows the flexibility of multiple clients that Domino supports, but this is an offering designed with speed in mind.

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It's ideal for traveling users with low bandwidth connections and it's architected to take advantage of Web 2.0 design aspects.

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I have access to my mail here, coming from the server. I also have access to my contacts, as well as a day-at-a-glance view of my calendar within the sidebar panel.

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Although this is a light client in its design, from a client perspective it's still rich in its messaging capabilities.

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If I go back over here and open up a mail message, you can see that one of the things we provide is the ability to enable Google Map integration. So wherever there is an address specified inside the message, the text is highlighted, which enables the display of information about that particular address.

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And, we have rich editing capabilities, again using AJAX type of controls, even spell checking within this environment.

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But remember, there is no client code required to get this kind of capability. It downloads real-time from the server.

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