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Thanks guys for your replies. Roman got it right. I don't care to earn money from AmigaOS and the software I beta test. And I don't believe that those companies are going to be rich. Which makes it even more stupid for them to waste money on lawyers and in courts, fighting each other.

What I wanted from this thread is to initiate a discussion if we, as a community, should continue to watch them and try to help wherever we can, or demand something to change, and if so, what this could be.

Maybe we could ask them to be more transparent. Maybe ask them along with the commercial products, to produce open source utilities or articles that could help new developers. It is exceptionally great that A-Eon, for example, created the Core package with a lot of examples in there, but unfortunately, they kept it behind a registration wall. Maybe we could ask them, as others mentioned before me, to put it on public servers, i.e. aminet or os4depot.

I believe a strong community can push in a way the behavior of these companies, the same way they help them being successful.

See for example the Manjaro Linux community and the discussions that happened when they wanted to replace LibreOffice with FreeOffice. The community denied the whole change and pushed to a different solution that was helpful for everyone. And if you check the story, it didn't happen in a good way. Podcast, forums and news websites were full of flame. They even accused Manjaro team that they earn money from that transition.

Again, I am not asking anything from anyone. I am just initiating a discussion.