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Subject: Re: Hey Guys, Where Do We Want to Take this Forum?

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We had this exact same trouble over on the Prosound forum late last year. There were some vocal critics of an equally vocal manufacturer, and the threads spiraled out of control, eventually going out to other websites. In the end, we deleted a bunch of posts that had some useful information in them, because they were just too ugly. In that case, the irony was that the critics didn't do anything wrong, initially. They simply pointed to measurements and shootout results, and asked a lot of uncomfortable questions. The manufacturer involved turned the threads into a pissing contest by mischaracterizing the data and challenging the critics. It's a useful defense tactic to move focus off oneself by challenging the credibility of the person asking the uncomfortable questions. It was painful to watch, because the innocent were right to question what they saw, but in the end, the manufacturer was able to upset them enough to turn things around on an emotional level. Let's let that be a lesson here. If there really is something wrong with a loudspeaker, let's not turn it into an attack of a company or an individual. We can discuss technical details without making things personal, can't we?

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