System Manager & Utilities

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Printer Maintenance

Printer no	99	Hidden	Yes
Device	lpt2	Method	DTE
Description	OE Laser Invoices	Top offset	0
Type	F-laser form	Left offset	0
Location	L-local		
Width	80	Reset	$E
<ESC> char	$	Bold on	$<s3B
Macro name	oeinvc	Bold off	$<s0B
Macro begin	$&f6x1y0X	Uline on	$&dD
Macro end	$&f1X	Uline off	$&d@
Macro call	$&ff1y3X	Italic on	$<s1S
Port on		Italic off	$<s0S
Port off		Bar cd on	`014'
Reduce		Bar cd off	`015'
Normal			
Report begin	E>24050X		
Report end	`012'		

OK   Delete   Cancel

System

- Down To Earth Controls
- Create a new Company
- Printer definitions
  - API Preview
  - Local / network connections
  - Call macros
  - Escape coding
- Security
- Data file characteristics
- Data conversion formats

Utilities

- Unload/load data file
- Clear data file
- Clear report queue
- Convert data in/out
- Export data
  - You choose the format
- Unload log files
- Restore data from log files
- File specification compare
- Security inquiry

From the IT specialist to the knowledgeable user, the System Manager application and associated utilities allow manipulation and access to any of the Down To Earth application data.

Controls define everything from the message that displays on your screen to the way your Aging is reported. Any Company option is initially defined here and optionally edited from within the application itself.

Microsoft Windows® environments utilize defined network printers and API printer function while still allowing Down To Earth to call macros for specialized printing. This ability provides your business with such features as MICR coding on blank check stock checks and Bar coding for Purchase Order receivings or labels.

Security philosophy is based on 'exceptions.' A single entry enables access to all applications, then define what exceptions to that rule apply. Disallow access to an application, a menu column, or a menu selection by groups or individual operators.

All application data files are defined within a Repository enabling export from any single or associated data file. Logic 'filters' permit the resulting data output to be just what you need and nothing more.

This inside angle to Down To Earth allows for easy data file modification and custom programming, when necessary. That's the greatest part of Down To Earth for many businesses. When they need that unique program or report that can't be found with any other 'of the shelf' software, Down To Earth can accommodate.

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Specifications

▪ Printing	Define up to 99 different printer specifications as networked or local printer connections. Preview reports before you print with API printing (Available only for MS Windows®). Utilize standard escape codes for font, spacing, margins, and cpi settings.
▪ Security structure	Security is defined once for a group of like operators, for individual operators, or a combination. Enabled for any of the combination of view, edit, add, or delete for an application, a menu column, or a menu selection.
▪ Define conversion formats for third party data	Fixed length text (ascii) files can be converted into the Down To Earth data files or visa versa with a simple definition reference.
▪ File manipulation	Initialize new, unload existing, or load data into DTE as well as clearing the contents of a file when needed.
▪ General Code links	Any code can be defined 'on the fly' from within an entry window (click on the green field name), returning to the original window when complete. As an example, if you can't find the right Terms code for an invoice, link to Codes, set one up, then pop back to the invoice, and bring the new code with you.
▪ Export data	Export data from any DTE data file using the predefined Repository definition. Output to the filename of your choice in either a spreadsheet, word processing, or user defined format.
▪ Logging and extraction	The log feature defines edits to various master files based on the file definition. Extraction of the log data offers a way to track what was changed, when, and by whom. For example, tracing Name/Address changes identifies when the address was changed and who did the changing for reference

Universal Utilities

▪ Quick links	Inquiries and Transaction entry include several buttons linking to other processes or more detailed information, then back again. Non-windows environments offer the same abilities with Control-Key sequences instead of buttons.
▪ Key / Mouse equivalents for MS Windows®	Operators choose what they are most comfortable with – keyboard or mouse. Both offer the same functionality within the software. It's a matter of personal preference.
▪ ODBC Connectivity	Data files defined allow ODBC Connectivity for access from within qualified third party software such as Crystal Reports®, Microsoft Excel® and Access®, and your favorite GIS/CAD software.
▪ Report Writer	The Synergy Report Writer is available for flexible and easy internal report creation. The point and select features makes simple reports simple to write.
▪ Custom programs/reports	Custom program routines or reports are listed from the menu but isolated for access even after upgrading your version. This enables customization now plus future updates when needed, without re-programming again.