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VAX-to-Mac Connectivity: Starting Sequence is Critical

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When running the following software on the same VAX:

- VAX 8800
- VMS 5.02
- AppleTalk 2.0
- PACER 4.5
- ALISA 3.2
- PCSA 2.1

the order in which these programs are started is critical. Otherwise the Macintosh computers on the network will not see these services, or the PACER and ALISA products will not start. If AppleTalk for VMS is started before PACER when attempting to start PACER, it will fail; AppleTalk should be the last product started. These are undocumented but known problems with PACER and ALISA.

Here is a recommended starting sequence:

1. DECnet
2. PCSA
3. PACER
4. ALISA
5. ATALK for VMS

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