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Color SW 2400: Multiple Printers on LocalTalk Issue (12/96)

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TOPIC -----

I have several Color StyleWriter 2400 printers with the LocalTalk option connect to one power strip. Each printer has a different name. When I select a printer in the Chooser and print to it, the file is actually printed by a different printer than the one I selected in the Chooser. Why is this happening?

DISCUSSION -----

When your Color StyleWriter 2400 printers are powered on at the same time, the assignment of AppleTalk addresses for each printer does not work correctly. As a result, all of the printers end up having the same AppleTalk address.

Engineering has been notified of this issue. In the interim, the work around is to power on the printers at separate times. For example, power on the first Color StyleWriter 2400, wait 60 seconds then power the next one until all of the printers are powered on. This issue affects all StyleWriter LocalTalk adapters. If you use an EtherTalk adapter instead of the LocalTalk adapter, you will not have this problem.

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