

Network Server 500 Or 700 No Sound At Startup or In AIX (5/96)

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TOPIC -----

I have a Network Server 500 and a Network Server 700 that do not beep at startup and also do not beep when the "beep" command is issued in AIX.

DISCUSSION -----

Solution

Disable ROM checksum in Power-On-Self-Test.

At Open Firmware prompt (entered via CMD-OPT-o-f on the keyboard):

>1f7 1040 nv-l!
> setenv use-nvramrc? true
> nvedit
1f7 1040 nv-l!
control-c

> nvstore
> reset-all

The first "lf7..." command disables the POST ROM checksum for the next startup, the other commands store this command in non-volatile RAM so that it is executed for subsequent power cycles. Any time the battery is removed the data entered will be lost and the commands will have to be re-entered to restore the sound.

NOTE:

The "nvedit" command enters a scratch editor that does not have a prompt. The "control-c" refers to simultaneously pressing the "control" and "c" keys on the keyboard. Pressing "control-b" and "control-f" allow you to backspace and forward space if needed to fix typing errors. In "nv-l!" use the lower case L, not a "one" character.

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