PATHWORKS: Using with Scrip Saver Spooler

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TOPIC -----

My customer is using PATHWORKS for the PC, with a third-party print spooler, "Script Saver" from Gray Matter Software. It is an ASCII-to-Postscript print Spooler. They are also using a product for the PC called "Chem Text".

They are using a LaserWriter IINTX connected to LAT Terminal Servers. They are about to install PATHWORKS 1.1 for Macintosh. Will this configuration work with Macintosh printing to the LaserWriters? Will "LaserWriter wars" occur because of the non-standard PostScript file sent to the LaserWriters?

RESPONSE -----

We are not familiar with Script Saver from Gray Matter Software. However, as long as a print spooling package is compatible Apple LaserWriter driver 6.1, you won't have LaserWriter wars. Many Digital customers are using both PATHWORKS for Macintosh and PATHWORKS for PC, so we don't think this is a big problem. If any of their existing Macintoshes running System 7 don't have any problem printing to these LaserWriters, it will probably be fine. The real answer, of course, is to check with Gray Matter software to see what version of the LaserWriter driver they are compatible with.

We don't know about PATHWORKS for PC, but PATHWORKS for Macintosh allows you to specify which LaserWriter driver version to use when you add a print spooler. This is done by using the /setup=msap\$appledictxx qualifier in the MSA\$MANAGER's ADD PRINTER command.

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