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Printing PCL To HP LaserJet III Over Token Ring (6/93)

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TOPIC -----

I have two Duo Docks in a site of PC's running Windows. The environment is OS/2 Lan Manager over Token Ring. The network is a flat topology, with Wellfleet routers bridging NETBIOS. The Duo Dock's have Apple's Token Ring 4/16 NB card. Their network printers are HP LaserJet IIIs, no PostScript - PCL only, directly connected to Token Ring.

Is there any software that will allow the Duo Dock users to access and print to the HP printers?

DISCUSSION -----

We were told by Miramar Systems that you can use IBM OS/2 LAN Server for Macintosh (which is written by Miramar for IBM, see MacWeek 2/1/93) to provide printer service to the LaserJet IIIs. Since the HP LaserJet IIIs don't have PostScript, you will have to use a product such as PowerPrint from GDT SoftWorks (details below). To locate a vendor's address and phone number, use the vendor name as a search string.

PowerPrint 2.0

Business And Professional Software Utilities/ PowerPrint 2.0 Printer driver Macintosh Plus or larger; 2 MB of RAM for network version; hard disk drive. PowerPrint is a fast collection of QuickDraw printer drivers that enable Macintosh computers to print to Canon LaserBeams and BubbleJets, HP LaserJets and DeskJets, Epson FXs and LQs, Toshiba P-Series, NEC Pinwriters, HP ThinkJet and hundreds of compatibles (more than 850 printers). A few of its many features include: built-in spooler; user-definable custom paper sizes and default dialog settings; enhanced gray scales; image reduction, enlargement, flipping and inversion; and even/odd pages printing. Features, such as color, multiple bins, duplex printing, job offset and internal fonts, are also supported for most printers. PowerPrint drivers are Chooser-level and are compatible with Adobe Type Manager, TrueType, SuperLaserSpool, Shiva NetSerial and Communications Toolbox. PowerPrint comes complete with a high-speed,

serial-to-parallel converter cable – ideal for PowerBook users who want portable printing with PC-type portable printers, such as Canon's BubbleJet 10ex or Citizen's PN-48, or access to just about any PC-type printer as they travel. The network version enables any printer to be easily shared over AppleTalk or EtherTalk networks without additional hardware.
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