Read Before Installing or Using DEC PHIGS for VMS

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Whether you are a new or continuing DEC PHIGS customer, please take time to read the following information about your product.

Operating Systems

The installation guide for this product contains information about installing DEC PHIGS Version 2.2 on a VMS system. The other documentation for this product contains ULTRIX and VMS operating system information.

Installation and Release Notes Information

The release notes for the latest installed version of DEC PHIGS contain useful information such as a summary of technical changes, new features, differences, known problems, corrected errors, performance enhancements, documentation errors, restrictions, and incompatibilities.

VMS System Information

Before you install DEC PHIGS for VMS Version 2.2, you must register the product using the Product Authorization Key (PAK) provided in the kit. See the *VMS License Management Utility Manual* for registration instructions.

You can read the release notes following the installation of DEC PHIGS on a VMS system by typing:

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$ HELP PHIGS VMS RELEASE_NOTES
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Note that you must have VMS Version 5.3-1 or higher for DEC PHIGS Version 2.2. Previous versions of DEC PHIGS do not need to be installed before this version.

Contents of This Kit

- **Indented Bill Report (BIL) and Bill of Materials (BOM)**

  Please read the BIL and BOM enclosed in this kit, and check to see that all items listed there are actually in your kit. If your kit is damaged, or if any items are missing, call your Digital representative.

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- **Media**

  If you ordered media, you will find the media and the *Installing DEC PHIGS for VMS* manual in this kit. Consult the *Installing DEC PHIGS for VMS* manual for information about installing DEC PHIGS for ULTRIX on your system.

- **Documentation**

  New DEC PHIGS customers receive all of the following documentation. Update customers receive only new documents. Run-time only customers receive only the *Installing DEC PHIGS for VMS* manual.

  DEC PHIGS Reference Manual
  DEC PHIGS C Binding Reference Manual
  DEC PHIGS FORTRAN Binding Reference Manual
  DEC PHIGS PHIGS$ Binding Reference Manual
  DEC PHIGS Device Specifics Reference Manual
  Installing DEC PHIGS for VMS

- **Product Authorization Key (PAK) for VMS**

  The PAK contains information necessary to register DEC PHIGS before you install it on a VMS system.

- **Software Product Description (SPD)**

  Your SPD provides an overview of the DEC PHIGS kit and its features.

- **Software Performance Report (SPR)**

  Use this form to report any problems with DEC PHIGS, provided you have purchased warranty services.

- **Software Update Survey Card**

  By completing this card after you install DEC PHIGS, you provide valuable feedback to Digital on installation quality. Your feedback helps us to understand customer needs and improve our products.

A Final Note

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