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EDCS II Version 2.1

**PLEASE READ THIS COVER LETTER
BEFORE YOU INSTALL YOUR
EDCS II VERSION 2.1 SOFTWARE KIT**

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Dear Customer,

Congratulations! Your new EDCS II version 2.1 contains many new features, including improved stability and scalability. This letter contains important information that must be read carefully before installing EDCS II. Digital wants you to realize the full benefit and best performance from all new EDCS II features.

EDCS II now supports multiple command processors, increased pool size, and network links. SHOW commands process faster. In addition, EDCS II now offers many new qualifiers for better performance and increased flexibility. Other new features include a recall buffer, attributes on generations, and new utilities such as batch load, database tuning, and conversion.

NOTE

VAX EDCS version 1.2 users must upgrade to EDCS II version 2.1 before September of 1991.

VAX EDCS Version 1.2 Users

If you did not upgrade from version 1.2 to 2.0, and are now upgrading from version 1.2 to EDCS II Version 2.1, please read Appendix B of the *EDCS II Administrator's Guide*. Features added with version 2.0 included:

- Better entity relationship tracking through hierarchies that make tracking unlimited in height and depth
- Greater control of the database through the use of lists
- Expanded review process
- Ability to create unlimited number of user-defined attributes
- Improved information retrieval using SHOW commands
- Performance improvements

Before You Install Version 2.1

Before you install version 2.1, please read the following documents:

- *EDCS II Installation Guide*
- *EDCS II Release Notes*. The Release Notes list all the new features, enhancements, and errors. You can read the Release Notes during or after the installation. To read them after the installation, enter the following command at the DCL prompt:

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$ HELP EDCS RELEASE_NOTES
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- *EDCS II Administrator's Guide*, Chapter 7, Recommendations and Problem Solving. This chapter has been greatly revised. It includes recommendations based on extensive recent testing that help keep your system tuned and running at peak performance. Situations to avoid are also noted.

Contents of Kit

- Bill of Materials — lists everything in the kit. Check each item. Report anything missing or damaged to your Digital representative.
- Software Product Description — gives an overview of EDCS II Version 2.1. The SPD has a Software Support Addendum (SSA), which lists supported and nonsupported processors for both client and server.
- Media — contains your EDCS II Version 2.1 software.
- Documentation — EDCS II documents. The set includes:

  EDCS II Installation Guide
  EDCS II User's Guide
  EDCS II Pocket Guide
  EDCS II Administrator's Guide
  EDCS II Programmer's Guide
  EDCS II Reference Manual (online only)

- Software Performance Report — a form for reporting problems.
- Software Update Survey Card — please complete. This card gives us valuable feedback about installation quality.
- PAKs (Product Authorization Keys)

  If you ordered only a client or only a server, your kit will contain a single PAK. If you ordered both a client and a server, your kit will contain both PAKs. The different PAKs are identified as follows:

Q1	server	QL518
Q2	client	QL380

Sincerely yours,

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EDCS II Product Manager

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