Software Product Description

PRODUCT NAME: **VAX Vertical Forms Printing for VMS, Version 1.0** **SPD 31.26.00**

DESCRIPTION

VAX Vertical Forms Printing for VMS (VFP) is an on-line software utility, designed for users wanting to take advantage of the Vertical Forms Unit (VFU) capabilities of the printers listed in the Systems Support Addendum (SSA 31.26.00-x). VFU controls the vertical motion of the paper enabling faster throughput.

VFP provides DCL-like commands to setup a generic VFU load file and to convert generic load and data files into device specific load and data files.

A generic VFU load file describes the format of the page. The page format is described by specifying the line numbers and the channel numbers associated with the line. VFP provides commands to setup the page format and to save the page format information in a file called a generic load file.

A generic data file contains the channel commands. Channel commands tell the printer what channel to use before printing the data.

Both the load and data file need to be converted into device specific load and data files before sending these files to the printer. VFP provides commands to convert the load and data files into device specific load and data files.

The user must send the device specific load file to the printer before printing the device specific data file. The contents of the device specific load file is stored in the VFU memory of the printer. When the printer receives the channel command from the device specific data file, it looks in the VFU memory for the specified channel. If the channel is found, the printer moves the paper to the specified line associated with the channel and then prints the data on that line.

Features

OPEN - Opens the existing generic load file.

SET - Sets the channels on the specified lines.

SET PAGE - Sets the number of lines per page.

REPLACE - Replaces the "old channel number" specified with a "new channel number" now being specified.

REMOVE - Removes the specified lines.

CLEAR - Clears the specified channels.

INSERT - Inserts the new lines.

EXIT - Exits out of VFP program.

QUIT - Exits out of VFP program.

SAVE - Saves the load information in a file.

SHOW - Displays the channel and line numbers.

CONVERT - Converts generic load and data file into device specific load and data files.

UNDO - Allows the user to undo the last command that modified the contents of the buffer.

HARDWARE REQUIREMENTS

VAX, MicroVAX or VAXstation configuration as specified in the System Support Addendum (SSA 31.26.00-x).

SOFTWARE REQUIREMENTS *

VMS Operating System

VAX COBOL or

VAX FORTRAN

* Refer to the System Support Addendum (SSA 31.26.00-x) for availability and required versions of prerequisite/optional software.

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