MCI Mail

MCI Mail (tm) is a very popular electronic mail service, which also provides other services such as FAX delivery, news, and bulletin boards. If you are not currently a subscriber, you can contact MCI directly at 1-800-444-6245 to activate an account.

The Script File which *RFD Mail* uses to interact with MCI Mail is the file mcimail.scr. This script downloads and uploads mail using the ZMODEM file transfer protocol, which is very efficient error-correcting protocol. Because it is so efficient, it is recommended that the Flow setting in the Post Office entry for MCI Mail be set to **Xon/Xoff** to prevent overrunning either MCI Mail or your local computer. If you encounter difficulties transferring mail, the script may be easily configured to use the Kermit transfer protocol instead. See the mcimail.scr file for more details.

As of this release, *RFD Mail* only supports the delivery of mail to MCI Mail addresses (i.e., to people who have MCI Mail accounts). MCI Mail does support delivery to outside mail systems other than the Internet (such as CompuServe or X.400 mail), since the way in which this is implemented prevents *RFD Mail* from supporting this feature. If user demand is high enough, this feature may be added in future releases of *RFD Mail*.

To send mail to Internet addresses, simply specify their address (ie, user@company.com) followed by the word "(EMS)". When you reply to mail from Internet accounts, you will note that only their address appears in the To: field. You will need to manually add the "(EMS)" string to the address when replying.