NEXTSTEP

Title: Large DOS Partition Bug

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Q: I have a DOS Partition on my computer that is larger than 32MB. The free space on the partition does not seem to be accurate when examined from NEXTSTEP Release 3.2 and Release 3.1 for Intel Processors.

What's going on?

A: There appear to be a number of bugs associated with accessing DOS partitions that are larger than 32MB under NEXTSTEP. Problems that you may see are incorrect reporting of available space on the partition, or even possibly corruption of data. Do not use NEXTSTEP to access DOS partitions larger than 32MB. This bug is valid for both Release 3.1 and 3.2 for Intel Processors.

Work Around: A patch is available that fixes this problem. See NeXTanswers documents 1608_DOSFileSysPatch.pkg and 1607_DOSFileSysPatch.ReadMe.