Quick Fix for Compaq and A.O.L. Modem Trouble.

This quick fix is for Compaq computer users who are having trouble connecting to America On-Line at <u>any</u> baud rate (2400, 9600).

Follow these instructions to edit your modem initialization string in the A.O.L. program for Windows. This process will disable the fax "beep" which often causes the local access number that you are dialing to hang up on you.

Instructions
1. Start up A.O.L. for Windows but do not attempt to sign on.
2. Choose "SETUP" from the main screen, then choose "SET UP MODEM".
3. Be sure that you have a Hayes Compatible modem selected from the list and that the correct com port is choosen (usually COM2 on Compaq's).
4. Now while in the same diaog box choose "EDIT COMMANDS".
5. Another dialog box will appear and the top line should read "SET UP MODEM STRING". At the end of this string of characters you will see "^M", what you need to do is insert the characters "S35=0" right before the "^" sign.
6. Choose OK to exit out of each box, this will save the changes that you have just made.

From now on when you log on to America On Line you will no longer hear the fax "beep" when the modem is dialing your local number. The modem should connect on the first try from here on out.

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P.s. This whole idea was given to me by SAMN779824.