OutBurST!

OutBurST! is a program that reduces the time that Pagestream takes to print data to HP LaserJet and HP Deskjet compatible printers. With OutBurST! installed on your ST, the time to send a page of data to the printer from Pagestream can be as short as **14 seconds**! This compares to times as long as 301 seconds using the standard built-in TOS routines or 47 seconds using FPPRNT.

This demo version of OutBurST! is being made available to you so that you may evaluate and determine if the program will help reduce the printout times on your system. Exact performance is difficult to predict and is a function of memory size, CPU speed and printer speed.

To use the program, place the file named OBURSTDM.PRG into your AUTO folder as close to the end of the folder as possible. Make sure that any printer spooling program you may be using is disabled as they are not compatible with OutBurST!. The Pagestream printer driver that you use must be modified next. To accomplish that you must run the enclosed OPATCH.PRG program. After executing OPATCH.PRG a file selector will appear. Select the Pagstream driver that you normally use (HPLASER.PRT or DESKJET.PRT). The program will do a little work and then create a new printer driver named HPOBURST.PRT.

Reboot your system to install OBURSTDM.PRG.

Startup Pagestream and load the BENCH.DOC document file (this document). Next pull down the Global menu and select Configure Printer. Click on Load and in the file selector, select the HPOBURST.PRT driver and click OK. Finally click OK in the Printer Configuration dialog box to complete installation of the modified printer driver.

To complete the test print page one of this document and record the time it takes to print the document (the amount of time Printing Page is displayed). The time you record to print this page should be compared to the time taken to print this page using your normal system setup.

When the page is printed, the printer driver will be disabled and no more printer output can be generated until the OBURSTDM.PRG is removed and the system is re-booted.

If the time you record using OutBurST! is better than your normal system setup you can order a fully functional version of the program by sending \$20 plus \$2 for shipping and handling to:

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If you are a registered user of FPPRNT, the upgrade fee is \$10. (Return your original disk)