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TITLE: Novell Service Diskette (NSD#1) for the NetWare Requester for OS/2 v1.3

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PRODUCT: NetWare OS/2 Requester

PRODUCT REVISION: v1.3

SUPERSEDES: NA

SYMPTOM: NA

ISSUE/PROBLEM

The first Novell Service Diskette (NSD#1) for the NetWare Requester for OS/2 v1.3 is now available on NetWare, the file name is NSD001.ZIP located in the NDD area(go ndd), and will be available shortly to subscribers of Novell's UpDate program. The NDD area on NetWare is Novell's vehicle to distribute to customers updates to the NetWare Requester for OS/2. NSD001.ZIP solves minor issues found in the Requester software and includes an installation program to install the necessary files on the users' system. If other Novell Service Diskettes are needed, they will be available through the same channels.

Resolutions on NSD001.ZIP to the NetWare Requester for OS/2 V1.3.

- o Applications that use NetWare routines from the NWCALLS.DLL file when the Requester is not loaded will no longer be terminated. Instead, they will receive the following error message: 88ff (REQUESTER NOT LOADED).
- o A sending and receiving error code is now properly displayed as 8805 instead of 8905.
- o Previously, if the ring broke on a Token-Ring network when the Requester was trying to send, the Requester would hang the workstation. Now the send process will simply time out and the Requester will return an error message.
- o Occasionally, OS/2's File Manager does not properly copy a network directory and its accompanying subdirectories. Previously, this error caused the system to hang. Now, because of changes to the Requester, users simply receive an error message.
- o Previously, if you used the OS/2 E.EXE editor to create a new file, the file would not save properly to your file server. An error of 899C

was returned. This problem no longer occurs.

- o Child processes now close correctly when using Named Pipes.
- o The installation program, INSTALL.EXE, will now install on OS/2 Extended Edition when IBM NetBIOS is running. This was only a problem on OS/2 Extended Edition.
- o Previously, if a Named Pipes server was a slower system than a Named Pipes client connected to it, performance was very poor. Performance has been improved in this situation.
- o A new configuration option, called "DisplayHardErrors," has been added to the NET.CFG file. This option allows programs to keep running without interaction when a hard error is displayed. This is specifically for sites with unattended workstations. The option has the following syntax:

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displayharderrors no
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To display error messages, simply leave this line out of the NET.CFG file.

- o In certain circumstances, a NetWare server specified with lower-case letters in a UNC path would not be recognized. This problem has been solved.
- o The CMGRLAN.SYS driver replaces the TOKENEE.SYS driver. CMGRLAN.SYS works with IBM Ethernet, IBM PC, and Token-Ring networks using Extended Edition Communications Manager. If you are running OS/2 Extended Edition, you should use this new driver. Instructions on using CMGRLAN.SYS are found in the READCMGR.TXT file on the NSD#1 disk.

SOLUTION: NA