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Abstract

This bulletin announces the availability of Functional Demonstration Release 3.0 (Order Number 300801).

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Functionality Demonstration Availability

The availability of the Functional Demonstration Release 3.0 is officially announced. It is available only to System 80 ACCESS/CUSTOMER centers.

The Functional Demonstration (Order Number 300801) Release 3.0 contains enhancements and new demonstrations using OS/3 Release 8.0 Software - SYSTEM 80. It totally replaces all previous Functional Demonstration releases.

Release 3.0 highlights may be summarized as follows:

. General Considerations:

- . All demonstration source programs have been recompiled under OS/3 Release 8.0.
- . All demonstration screen formats have been converted under OS/3 Release 8.0.
- . While many of the functional components contained within previous releases have been retained, several components have been removed from the Demo software and/or documentation. These include:
 - . OLHAS files and action programs.
 - . IMS configurators that provided concurrent execution of the Functional IMS with Application products such as the "Sized-Down" UNIS and UNIDIS Applications.
 - . ACS/ICS files and action programs.
 - . UNIS and UNIDIS "Look-Alike" demonstrations.
- . The Documentation Script Extract Program has been integrated into the Documentation Manual.
- . An installation utility has been provided which enables the Functional Demonstration to reside on either a fixed or removable disk drive.

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. Enhancements:

- . Range Checking has been built into the basic Screen Format Services Module.
- . System 80 Highlights Menu transitions are now facilitated by an alphabetic entry (H for Halt) instead of by a numeric selection.
- . ESCORT Password processing is described in the basic ESCORT Demonstration Module.
- . Scripts have been modified to reflect RELEASE 8.0 conventions and output screens.

. New Demos:

- . The ESCORT Restaurant Management Application is an extension to the ESCORT Restaurant Seminar that is already available at ACCESS Centers. The intent of this Demo is to show ESCORT's capability of addressing "Application-Size" Data Processing needs. Using MENU, WAITER and ORDER files, Application functions such as input validation, order entry and bill preparation are provided. ESCORT techniques developed to implement this application are highlighted in the Demonstration Script.
- . The Menu Services Demonstration is intended to show the ease of use, convenience and power of menu processing. The System 80 Menu Demonstration provides the capability of initiating most functional components using Menu Service facilities. Using primary and secondary menus, Functional Demonstration components may be selected from a menu, executed, and have control returned to the menu from which the user had exited.

Release 3.0 Demonstration materials are being distributed via tape OR diskette in a "Dump-Restore" format for the 8417 fixed media disk and will require approximately 165 cylinders. Additionally, the Installation Manual contains a Utility Aids section that describes the optional method for restoring Functional Demonstration contents from an 8417 Fixed Media to an 8419 Removable Disk. Flexibility has been built into the demonstration installation process to allow centers to quickly scratch the demonstration from the system if disk space becomes problematic and re-install it when necessary.

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Distribution to all ACCESS/Customer Centers will be accomplished automatically. International Division (ID) orders will be forwarded to CIDC in King of Prussia for subsequent distribution to Software Registrars.

Upon receiving the demonstration, please use the following checklist to insure that all required materials have been forwarded:

. TAPE Version:

- Two diskettes and one tape containing all job control and files required to install and execute all Functional Demonstration components.

. DISKETTE Version:

- Forty-two diskettes containing all job control and files required to install and execute all Functional Demonstration components.

- . One Functional Demonstration Installation Manual that details common and unique steps for either tape or diskette installation.