Resource Manager Routines

The first group of routines described here deals with modified routines for opening or creating resource files. These routines are compatible with new file specification conventions for System 7.0 and the Hierarchical File System (HFS). System 7.0 introduces a simple, standard format for identifying a file or directory, the file system specification (**FSSpec**) record.

The other new **Resource Manager** routines pertain to reading and writing partial resources. If you are working with a very large resource, you can alter a part of the resource instead of having to read it into memory, which may be impossible. You can also change the size of a resource on disk. Note that if you increase the size of the resource, the new portion of the resource will be uninitialized, and if you decrease the size, you may lose valuable data in the resource.