

This project might take contributors, but that is a decision for later. Just in case I decide to open this up for others to contribute, I have certain ground rules:

- Only contribute a duplicate if the scan is better, while still having a wieldable size. The better of the two will be kept in the main branch, dependent on size constraints.
- No half-assed shit allowed, I would hope we are all professionals. Grab some of the ones already here, and examine the detail. CDC's own TOCs weren't this nice on the drill-down. Every heading is a bookmark, properly nested. Cut and paste is useful, but please spell check it, Adobe's OCR only goes so far, and on noisy pix It reads like a TECO script instead of words.... do your own spell checking, please. Note that I list the individual command options in the PDF TOC under the command, and so forth. Very handy, indeed, and the entire purpose of this exercise is the concept of "F'ing HANDY". If you ain't hip, do your own thing.
- My file naming scheme is quite simple to understand, please follow it. Because these were only periodical, as-needed publications, I think drilling down the dates at the end of the filename should be in the YYYYMM format, because I have yet to find a single publication in two revisions from the same month, and when I find one, it and it's progeny shall be the exception to the rule, and only those drill down to the day. I did Y2K mitigation, so if you have a problem with century digits, go f yourself. So many lines of bad old code...no wonder so many were reticent to do anything until it was about to bite them on the ass, their coding sucked in many many cases, they didn't want outside eyes seeing how bad some of it is/was. I digress. Century digits will be used, no exceptions. The format of the date is obviously natural sort and subset of the ISO format YYYYMMDDHHMMSS.ssssss....

Company-Manual-CallNumWithRevisionAtEnd-Top-Down-Naming-YYYYMM.pdf
Company-Brochure-Top-Down-Naming-YYYYMM.pdf
Company-Datasheet-Top-Down-Naming-YYYYMM.pdf
Company-Advertisement-Top-Down-Naming-YYYYMM.{pdf | png | jpg}

Concerning the last example there, image files are acceptable IFF they are a single page. Png files are preferred over jpg because of jpg degradation. Use the maximum possible compression when using png in a lossless way. Oh, and duh, scan at the best resolution possible. Unless it is a four-color glossy, 600dpi works great for this kinda thing, do the glossies higher if you want.

My personal preference is to scan at 600dpi or better, depending on file size and what it is, direct to 24-bit TIFF, and then convert it to max compression png, but you have to watch transparency and other issues, and seriously, if it doesn't have color, and I don't mean aged paper, drop to 8-bit greyscale when converting....and don't use "Joe's Converter", use something reliable. Even Gimp does the basics and can be batched.

The same goes for the PDF files themselves. Use Acrobat, but use your head, basics only, this is just about the damned bookmarks to make these things usable, and all versions support the bookmarks. If you are interested in this, then you yourself either had these kinda dogeared with multi-color page flags, or you know someone who did, or well if neither, I'll tell you now, that is kinda how a lot of us did it. Acrobat's bookmarks rawk. Scroll, click, bewm, you're there. Those are just my preferences, and keep in mind that unless specified otherwise, these scans were not

done by me, this project is about bookmarking what is out there, internal bookmarking in the actual files themselves.

More to come???