4041 OPTION 3 FIRMWARE ANOMALIES

Some firmware anomalies have been found in the 4041 Option 3 firmware. One of the anomalies can cause unexpected lost data; others are merely inconvenient.

*   If the disk directory is completely filled, yet there is data space left on the disk, an attempt to create a new file will delete the last directory entry. No error message is given. The file whose directory was deleted is lost.

*   Error 1213 (write-protected media) is not returned when an attempt is made to write to a write-protected floppy while the verify flag is set true. No error message is given.

*   When attempting to format a write-protected floppy, error 1391 is returned instead of error 1213 (write-protected media).

*   If the disk data space is full, but there is directory space available, it may be possible to save additional files. The space to which the files are saved is undefined, and may not be reliably read in any unit other than the specific 4041DDU that wrote the additional files.

*   When formatting a floppy disk on a 4041DDU, the firmware will attempt to format 80 tracks instead of the 40 tracks on the 4041DDU. No ill effects occur, but a banging noise is heard from the drive unit during the format process.

All of the above anomalies will be fixed when the firmware is next updated. Operator awareness of these bugs should prevent any problems to the user.

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An updated version of the 6942 instruction manual insert is now available.

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