To: Operations
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Subject: New BOS 5-card loader

In preparation for the use of the new MTS-500 tapes, a new BOS loader has been prepared. Due to the increased complexity of the MTS-500 system, this loader requires five cards plus an additional information card specifying the tape channel and unit number to be used. These six cards replace the current 1-card BOS loader.

The format of the information card is as follows:

- columns 1 & 2: tape channel number
- column 4: tape handler number

Since the MTS-500 system has no handler 0, it will no longer be possible to load BOS from handler 0. Handler 1 should be used when practical.

The new format of a BOS bootload deck will be as shown.