

TO: Distribution
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SUBJECT: TTYDIM Changes

Some changes to the ttydim are being installed in a system with the expected designation 20-12. These changes are being made to get rid of the TTY config card. Currently, the service configuration deck consists of about 45 config cards of which about 15 are TTY cards. The TTY card is used only to provide a correspondence between a given LSLA/HSLA number, subchannel number on the DataNet-355 and a tty channel name. These names are referenced by the answering service in the "lines" file primarily. To shrink the configuration deck by about 33%, the TTY card is being done away with and the tty channel names will be derived from the LSLA/HSLA number, subchannel number information.

The tty channel names will be of the form:

TTYxnn

where nn is either an LSLA subchannel number (starting with 00) or an HSLA subchannel number (starting with 00). The "x" component of the name will contain the LSLA/HSLA number and the 355 number (up to 3 355's may currently be configured to Multics).

Since a 355 may have up to 6 LSLAs and 3 HSLAs, the value for x will be 0 to 5 for the LSLAs and 6 to 8 for the HSLAs on 355 number 0. On 355 number 1, the value for x will be the letter A thru F for the 6 LSLAs and G thru I for the 3 HSLAs. For 355 number 2, the letters J thru O will be used for the 6 LSLAs and the letters P thru R for the 3 HSLAs.

For example, if the configuration deck consisted of the following cards:

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LSLA A 0 1 150. 2
LSLA A 1 1 133. 2
HSLA A 0 10 1200. 1
HSLA B 1 0 1200. 2
D355 A 0 21
D355 B 4 22
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the lines file would consist of the following tty names:

tty000, tty001, tty100, tty101, tty600, ttyG01, ttyG02