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RELEASE 9.0 OF INTERCOMM

New York, N.Y., January 24, 1983 -- SDA Products, a division of Software Design Associates, Inc., announces the availability of Release 9.0 of the INTERCOMM teleprocessing monitor. This new release, which incorporates many state-of-the-art upgrades and user requests, provides a redesign of over one third of the existing system and contains more than 30 new modules. It also offers many new features and includes performance, reliability, problem resolution and installation improvements. INTERCOMM can now be installed in one day.

Under Release 9.0, INTERCOMM can support a virtually unlimited number of TP devices, transaction codes, application subsystems, and files. INTERCOMM, alone, can handle an on-line system averaging 100,000 transactions per hour from over 3000 terminals, while maintaining excellent response time.

For VTAM interface, Release 9.0 presents many new support options such as shared printer support across VTAM regions, status display commands, and automatic recovery. In addition, the system control terminal may be a VTAM Logical Unit, the CPU console, or a remote or local BTAM terminal.

Release 9.0 affords the user's application programs upgraded VSAM and expanded Message Mapping Utilities support. Under Release 9.0, INTERCOMM accomodates all three types of VSAM files. It allows for local shared resources (buffer pools) for VSAM files and, at the same time, provides cross-region update integrity for shared VSAM files. Release 9.0 enhancements to the Message Mapping Utilities for message editing and formatting make the user's entire system less terminal dependent.

Other enhancements in Release 9.0 include logging, restart and recovery improvements such as disk log file flip/flop capability, a file recovery upgrade, particularly for VSAM files, and serial restart with user control of new input. In addition, the COBOL subsystem/subroutine interface has been upgraded, debugging information and system reliability are improved, and system control, status and statistics display commands have been expanded.

The system generation procedure for INTERCOMM has been completely reformatted under Release 9.0. Whether for a new or re-installation of INTERCOMM, this new design generates a customized JCL stream which makes INTERCOMM essentially self-installing. Also, new provisions for user-coded COPY members in INTERCOMM system tables simplify system expansion and maintenance.

INTERCOMM can be installed on any IBM System 360/370, 30xx, 4300 or compatible computer running under OS (MFT or MVT), VS1, MVS, or VM/370 and is available on a perpetual license or lease basis. The \$75,000 license fee includes installation and two weeks of on-site customer education. Additional information on INTERCOMM and accompanying documentation may be obtained by contacting SDA Products, 71 Fifth Avenue, New York, NY 10003, (212) 741-5200.

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