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Subject: Re: point\_lun

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"R.Bauer" <R.Bauer@fz-juelich.de> writes:

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> I have recognized today point\_lun makes differences between files

> written on UNIX or DOS

> for following idl version.

This almost certainly has something to do with the difference between end-of-line conventions in Unix and Windows worlds. I believe that windows/DOS uses a CR/LF while Unix simply uses an LF.

I don't understand \*exactly\* what is going wrong though, but it seems that Windows may be assuming that a CR/LF pair are present in your Unix file when only one of them is there. What's wierd is that it's using that information in the POINT\_LUN call. This may not be a bug in IDL but rather in the Windows library that IDL uses. The Microsoft people probably don't even consider it a bug but a feature...

There are converters that can do the Unix<->DOS conversion for you, but unfortunately it's an extra ugly step.

Craig

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