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Subject: Re: IDL licenses thru a tunnel?

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h\_chapman@fastmail.fm (Henry) writes:

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> Another interesting thing I learned from the globetrotter site is that  
> if you set the SERVER port to 27000 instead of idl's usual 1700, then  
> you only need @hostname instead of 1700@hostname for your  
> LM\_LICENSE\_FILE. 27000 is the default. So one of many ways of  
> tunnelling (this works for me) is:  
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> export LM\_LICENSE\_FILE=@localhost  
> ssh -f -NL 27000:localhost:1700 myserver.com  
> ssh -f -NL 59000:localhost:59000 myserver.com  
> idl  
>  
> type everything as written, except for myserver.com, which is the  
> remote machine running the license server.

Hmmm, I still find that this give the same kind of server lookup error  
that the original poster was reporting.

Because the \*server\*'s configuration file contains the name  
myserver.com, and reports that back to the client, the client will  
attempt to make a connection to myserver.com no matter what, and this  
will be blocked by the firewall. That's why I had to fiddle with the  
/etc/hosts table.

Craig

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