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Subject: Re: Another EPS question

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Michael Wallace writes:

> I'm using the IDLgrClipboard to create an EPS file. Is there a way to  
> position my image in the EPS file? When I print the EPS files I'm  
> creating, my plot is always drawn portrait style at the bottom of the  
> page. What I'd really like is to have it use landscape and be  
> positioned in the middle of the paper. How can I do this?

Prayer I think might be your best bet. :-)

How much PostScript do you know? In addition to the things  
ps2eps does, you will have to find and change the BoundingBox  
and PageBoundingBox tags, as well as the PageOrientation tag.  
For a minimum. Probably a lot of other stuff as well.

You might be able to fake most of it by creating a PostScript  
and encapsulated Postscript file and looking at the output  
in a text editor. Judicious cut and paste might work...after  
a while.

Maybe it would be easier to mock up a Microsoft Word  
document and insert the EPS file using Active X components.  
Just a suggestion. :-)

Cheers,

David

P.S. This whole PostScript situation is getting to be  
a real bother. You write code for your display (always  
24-bit these days, Hello!) and you have to write it  
differently for 8-bit displays. I spent the afternoon  
re-working my color tools to handle this situation  
more transparently (testing now), but it is *\*still\**  
a bother. Sigh...

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