
Subject: SETENV

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Hi,

I looked at the specs for the SETENV command in idl and it says "adds or changes an environment string in the process environment."

Unfortunately, they only have examples for changing an environment variable but not how to add to an existing env. variable. I tried pretty much everything that seems to work in Unix but I didnt get it to work it in IDL.

so, here is what I am trying to do:

in Unix:

```
$ setenv FOO "bar"
```

```
$ echo $FOO
```

```
bar
```

```
$ setenv FOO "foo:$FOO"
```

```
$ echo $FOO
```

```
foo:bar
```

So, how can you add to an existing env. variable in IDL with the SETENV command?

thanks

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