
Subject: Re: Bug in IDL's FILE_INFO function

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In article <fbjr4p\$e42\$1@news.nems.noaa.gov>, Dave Wuertz <a@b.com> wrote:

> "NOTE: If the file pointed to by 'path' is currently open, use FSTAT
> to query for its info. FILE_INFO does not always catch changes that
> have occurred in a file that is currently open. FSTAT's info, on the
> other hand, is always current."

Wouldn't it be better to say something like this?

If the file is currently open, call FLUSH for that unit before
using FILE_INFO to ensure that the file state on disk is up to date.

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