I haven't seen this behaviour before and not really sure what to do.

Rick's question about the codec is right, maybe PowerDirector is using an unsupported codec? I looked at www.fourcc.org and did not see any codec's with their name.

I am just about ready to release a new version of the AVI reader/ writer. The functionality is the same but the error handling is a lot better and may give insight into your issue.

Keep an eye on the newsgroup for the announcement.

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