
Subject: Re: IDL v8 not recognizing bash environment variable

Posted by [R.Bauer](#) on Tue, 03 May 2011 10:20:11 GMT

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Am 27.04.2011 19:57, schrieb Barry Lesht:

> Not sure I'm expressing this correctly in the subject line - this is
> my problem: I have a code that ran fine under IDL7 that included the
> line "sta_list = READ_ASCII("\$SEADAS/local/stationfile.txt,"
> TEMPLATE=stationtemplate). I just tried running the same code under
> IDL8 and now get the error message

I tried with idl7.1

```
IDL> print,"$HOME"
```

and it just tells:

```
$HOME
```

I don't remember that it ever worked without using getenv function.

Reimar

>
> % READ_ASCII: File "\$SEADAS/local/stationfile.txt" not found.
>
> The file is most definitely where it should be. After doing some
> experimenting, it seems IDL8 isn't getting any value for the \$SEADAS
> variable.
>
> I hope someone can explain to me why not and how to fix it?
>
> Thanks.
