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Subject: Re: Update PostScript  
Posted by [David Fanning](#) on Mon, 20 Jul 2009 16:27:36 GMT  
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And there is an easy answer: no. :-)

Cheers,

David

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David Fanning, Ph.D.  
Coyote's Guide to IDL Programming ([www.dfanning.com](http://www.dfanning.com))  
Sepore ma de ni thui. ("Perhaps thou speakest truth.")

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Subject: Re: Update PostScript  
Posted by [Foldy Lajos](#) on Mon, 20 Jul 2009 16:46:47 GMT  
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```

regards,  
lajos

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Subject: Re: Update PostScript  
Posted by [Xavi Llord](#) on Mon, 20 Jul 2009 16:54:56 GMT  
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On 20 jul, 18:46, FÖLDY Lajos <fo...@rmki.kfki.hu> wrote:

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Thank you very much for this option!

If I do not find a way of doing it inside IDL I will create both PS files and merge later with gs.

Thanks again,

Xavi

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Subject: Re: Update PostScript  
Posted by [Lasse Clausen](#) on Tue, 21 Jul 2009 11:17:07 GMT  
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Hi,

just as a side note, that also works under Windows if you use

```
gswin32c -dNOPAUSE -sDEVICE=pswrite -sOutputFile=out.ps file1.ps  
file2.ps ... -c quit
```

Cheers  
Lasse Clausen

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