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Posted by [dg86](#) on Fri, 14 Feb 2014 11:26:50 GMT  
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Many thanks,

David

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On Friday, February 14, 2014 6:26:50 AM UTC-5, David Grier wrote:

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I solved this problem as collateral anti-damage by implementing the  
workaround for the crashes that IDL suffers when closing NG windows on  
some platforms. Specifically, this is the workaround for bugs

IDL-57214

IDL-58285

IDL-58839

that is discussed in the Release Notes for IDL 8.3:

On a Mac, the fix is:

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$ cd /Applications/exelis/idl/bin/bin.darwin.x86_64
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$ sudo mv gl_driver.so gl_driver.back
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TTFN,

David

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