
Subject: Re: SQL from IDL on VMS Alpha
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In article <31C973C0.41C67EA6@mail.esrin.esa.it>,
David Pemberton <david.pemberton@mail.esrin.esa.it> writes...

> I have been trying to find out if it is possible to call SQL
> routines directly from IDL, rather than having to use
> CALL_EXTERNAL and a C wrapper routine.
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> The DEC RDB manual suggest it is with the following quote:
> "The SQL module language and SQL module processor allow
> procedures that contain SQL statements to be called from
> any host language, including those not supported by the
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I'm sorry to tell you, but (from the point of view of DEC) C is a host
language, but IDL is not. IDL is an image which includes a language
interpreter. You're going to have to use CALL_EXTERNAL.

--Harvey

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