# **Gateway for Windows**<sub>TM</sub> Reference Manual



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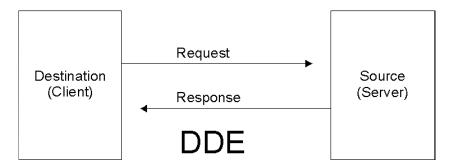
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## **DYNAMIC DATA EXCHANGE (DDE)**

Microsoft provides the Dynamic Data Exchange (DDE) mechanism to support communications between any two applications running in the Windows environments. Thoroughbred Gateway for Windows extends that communication channel beyond the limits of the Windows workstation to the host environment. This allows the host application developer to communicate directly with Windows-based software using existing DDE interfaces.

To communicate with a DDE application you need only construct a DDE instruction or multiple instructions. Communication can be two-way; you can send and receive information.



The Destination (Client) sends a Request to the Source (Server). The Source (Server) sends a Response to the Destination (Client).

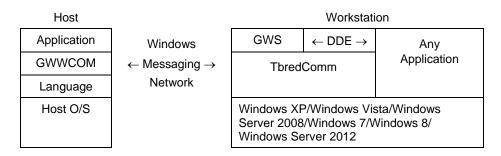
DDE follows the Client/Server model for communications control, but uses the terms: destination and source. The destination initiates a conversation, while the source responds to the request.

There are three basic types of DDE connection: hot, warm, and cold links.

- Hot and warm links force the source to notify the destination anytime changes in data values occur after the data has initially been transmitted to the Destination.
- Cold links require that the Destination requests an update when it is ready. Gateway for Windows supports cold DDE links, since it is integrating a host interrupt-driven environment with workstation event-driven applications.

#### **Host to PC Communication**

Gateway for Windows extends the DDE communication channel beyond the boundaries of a Windows workstation, to application software running within an operating system environment. The host and Windows workstation can be connected via network communication paths. The Thoroughbred Terminal emulator (TbredComm) is required if you connect to the host using a telnet connection.



**NOTE:** To properly communicate using DDE, the source application directory must be set in your Path variable. Right-click **My Computer** select **Properties**, then choose the **Environment tab**. Find the PATH variable and add the source application directory to it.

Gateway for Windows uses GWWCOM, a Thoroughbred Dictionary-IV API running in the host environment. It controls all communications with the PC workstation. In the host, 3GL or 4GL programs may be written containing CALLs to GWWCOM.

The Gateway Communications and VIP Gateway for Windows modules in the workstation accept all DDE communications from the host and distribute them within the workstation as required. These modules also control requests from workstation applications for communication with an application in the host.

### **Multiple DDE Channels**

Gateway for Windows can process an unlimited number of DDE conversations at the same time. The conversations can involve any number of applications (memory permitting). With Gateway for Windows you may also have multiple conversations with the same application.

### **Non-DDE Applications**

If a workstation application does not support a DDE interface, the host application is still able to command the PC application, using keyboard focus. In this case the host operates the application as a keyboard operator. No response can be received from the application.

# Windows XP/Windows Vista/Windows Server 2008/Windows 7/ Windows 8/Windows Server 2012 Environments

Applications written in Thoroughbred development languages that have been designed to operate with VIP Gateway for Windows from standard host environments (UNIX, Linux, SCO, etc.) can also operate without modification from the Thoroughbred host Windows environments (Windows XP/Windows Vista/Windows Server 2008/Windows 7/Windows 8/Windows Server 2012). VIP Gateway for Windows provides the VIPWIN module to replace the Gateway Communications module. It is entirely transparent to the application software.

### HOW APPLICATIONS ARE CONTROLLED WITH DDE

### **Stages of DDE Conversation**

There are three stages in a typical DDE conversation between two applications: initiation, transaction, and termination.

**Initiation:** the Destination (Client) requests a conversation with the Source (Server) by sending a Windows **INITIATE** message. Windows starts the application if it is not already active. The Source responds to this message by informing the Destination whether or not the requested conversation could be established.

**Transaction:** The Destination requests desired transactions. The Source then processes these requests. The Destination can send three types of messages.

**REQUEST** requests a specified data item from the Source.

**EXECUTE** requests that the Source execute the specified commands.

**POKE** sends a particular piece of information to the Source.

**Termination:** At anytime, either the Source or the Destination can end the conversation by sending a Windows **TERMINATE** message. The other application then answers with a **TERMINATE** confirmation.

### **Components of DDE Messages**

DDE messages are constructed from three components.

**Source Name:** A conversation begins when the Destination establishes a conversation with a Source. The Destination must, therefore, know to what name the Source will respond.

The Source name has two components:

- The name used to start the applications
- The name to which it responds through the DDE subsystem.

If these are the same name, you need only give it once. You must establish the proper Source name from the Source application's documentation. Most applications use some form of their application name as the first part of their Source name, combined with an .exe, .com, .bat, or .pif extension. For example, Microsoft Excel responds to the source name excel.exe.

**Topic:** A DDE conversation must also have a topic. The topic describes something in the source application that the Destination wants to access. You must establish the topic name(s) required by the Source application. For example, Microsoft Excel recognizes the name of any open document (with the extension) or the SYSTEM topic.

**Item:** Each DDE request, other than **EXECUTE** which operates on the application only, must reference an item. The main purpose of this item name is merely to match a Destination request to the proper Source response. The Source dictates the format of an item name, but both Destination request and Source response must reference the same item name. You must establish the type of item names the Source application requires. For example, Microsoft Excel can use a row/column reference (i.e. "R1C1") as an item.

#### **DDE Source in the Host**

Many practical exploitations of VIP Gateway for Windows have been achieved simply by controlling workstation-based applications from host software. This has enabled developers to use the presentation capabilities of any Windows-based product to significantly enhance the functionality of the host application.

However, it is equally simple to create DDE aware host applications that can respond to requests from applications running in the workstation. In this case the host application operates as the Source.

As an example, assume that a Visual Basic, Excel, Word for Windows, or some other DDE-capable process running in the Windows workstation would like to obtain information from files contained on a UNIX host. The workstation product uses standard DDE instructions to send requests to the host environment through VIP Gateway for Windows.

The source process on the host receives and interprets these **REQUEST**, **EXECUTE** procedures as specified by the requests, and then returns the information to the destination application.

Successful use of this capability requires the host application developer to correctly interpret the messages that the destination transmits, and have the source process active on the host machine for the appropriate port used by the workstation.

### **PROGRAMMER GUIDE**

VIP Gateway for Windows allows many 3GL or 4GL host-based applications to communicate with Microsoft Windows workstation products.

VIP Gateway for Windows supports both DDE and non-DDE applications in the PC. However, with DDE applications communications can be two-way, and it is easier to build well-integrated applications.

To be able to take advantage of the DDE capability of workstation applications, developers must become familiar with the DDE commands documented with that application, and then issue or respond to the host commands with their application. VIP Gateway for Windows handles the communication of the host commands to the application, whether the application is in the host or the workstation.

Communications between DDE-aware applications are through messages. These messages are transmitted between the host and workstation environments by the components of VIP Gateway for Windows.

#### **GWWCOM Communication**

VIP Gateway for Windows uses a standard host public program to provide all DDE interaction: GWWCOM. This program can be called from any supported 3GL or 4GL program. The program will be operable assuming the following:

- Gateway for Windows is the active workstation communication program; and there is enough workstation memory available for operation of Gateway for Windows and the source application.
- A call to GWWCOM without meeting all of the above criteria met will result in a NO-OP; no activity will occur other than the return of an error code.

#### **GWWCOM Call Format**

```
CALL "GWWCOM", MSG$[ALL]

MSG$[0] Return Status

MSG$[1] Function Code

MSG$[2] Source Name

MSG$[3] Source Topic

MSG$[4] Source Item(s)

MSG$[5] Data (Send and/or Receive)
```

# **Detailed Descriptions MSG\$**

MSG\$[0]: Return Status

Return Status	Meaning
. (period)	OK – Operation Successful
ERR(VIP): Description	VIP Error – Unable to Initiate Communication or VIP Not Installed
ERR(GWW): Description	DDE Error in Gateway for Windows
ERR(TSI): Description	Language Error

### MSG\$[1]: Function Code

Function	Meaning					
Code						
I	Initiate DDE Conversation If application is not active on workstation, start the application.					
Т	Terminate DDE Conversation Leave application in current state. If you wish to terminate the application, you must do it through the DDE EXECUTE command supported by the source or through Windows keystrokes command.					
P	Send (POKE) Data To Source Send a single element of data, or table of data, contained in MSG\$[5] to the Item(s) specified in MSG\$[\$].					
R	Request Data From Source Retrieve a single element of data, or table of data, for the items specified in MSG\$[4], returning data in MSG\$[5].					
F	Focus Keystrokes To Application Send the keystrokes contained in MSG\$[5] to the source application.					
E	Execute the Source Command(s) in MSG\$[5].					
X	Examine the Windows Environment Indicate if the source application contained in MSG\$[2] is active. Return the status in MSG\$[5].					
IN or FN	Initiate Conversation: If application not operating, start the application in Window Style "N"  1,5,9 Normal, with Focus 2 Minimized, with Focus (Default) 3 Maximized, with Focus 4,8 Normal, without Focus 6,7 Minimized, without Focus  The result of any "without focus" option will be to have the operation performed invisibly. You must overtly focus the application before the operator can see it.  If the application is currently operating, the focus can only be changed by an overt DDE command to the Windows Program Manager. The requested focus in initiation will be ignored.					

### MSG\$[2]: Source Name

The source name is the Windows application with which communication is desired ("EXCEL.EXE" for Excel). It must end in .exe, .com, .bat, or .pif, other than the reserved source object ME.

Gateway for Windows assumes that the source name is the same as the executable program name minus the extension. For example, EXCEL.EXE translates to source name EXCEL. Where the initiation source name is different from the name used for DDE communications, enclose the source name in parentheses, for example MYPROG.EXE(SUPERC).

#### MSG\$[3]: Source Topic

The source topic is the Windows application topic (SYSTEM or Open Document Name with extension for Excel). This may also be the keyword SERVER when initiating or terminating the host environment as a server process.

#### MSG\$[4]: Source Item

The source items are the functions "P" & "R" or referenced item(s). They are formatted as: c|Item1||Item2|...0 (row/column reference for Excel).

#### **MSG\$[5]: Data**

```
Function "P" - The data to send formatted as: c|data1||data2|...0
```

Function "R" - The data received formatted as: c|data1||data2|...0

Function "E" - The source commands to execute

Function "F" - The keystrokes to send to the source application

Function "X" - The application status, returned as:

|Y| = Yes - The application is active.

|N| = No - The application is not active.

### **Multiple Item Send and Retrieve**

Multiple items can be sent or retrieved by providing a string for the source item (functions "P" & "R") and source data (function "P") with each entry enclosed in piping (|). Two Excel Cells could be sent by sending the following:

```
MSG$[1] = "P"
MSG$[2] = "EXCEL.EXE"
MSG$[3] = "SHEET1"
MSG$[4] = "|R1C1||R1C2|"
MSG$[5]= "|A||1|"
```

Data can be retrieved as follows:

```
MSG$[1] = "R"
MSG$[2] = "EXCEL.EXE"
MSG$[3] = "SHEET1"MSG$
[4] = "|R1C2||R1C1|"
```

After CALL:

```
MSG$[0] = "."
MSG$[5] = "|1||A|"
```

With multiple item entries, DDE failure will result in no data being returned (function "R") or an unknown number of entries being complete (function "P").

#### "ME" as Both Destination and Source

For source name you may also use the keyword "ME" for the function code "F" (Focus). This allows you to designate your host application as both the sender of keystrokes and as the receiver of the same keystrokes.

Keystrokes sent with the "ME" source name, would be returned to the host Task approximately 1 second after being sent. This allows you to call Gateway for Windows with an entire series of keystrokes, get a good response (MSG\$[0] = "."), and then branch to your normal application input code. The keystrokes will then be returned to the host program just as if they were entered from the keyboard.

Using function code "F" with the "ME" source name, but with no keystrokes, will result in focusing the Windows Program Manager to the host program Windows terminal task. This ensures that subsequent entries from the keyboard will apply to your UNIX host task.

Sending invalid keystrokes will result in a "no-op" in Gateway for Windows if you are using the "ME" source name. Attempting to send invalid keystrokes to any other source application will result in a normal Gateway for Windows error returned in MSG\$[0].

### **Creating a Keystroke File in the Workstation**

Keystrokes (or any data) may also be recorded in a file on the workstation prior to execution by sending a file command using the item variable MSG\$[4].

```
O.FILENAME creates a new file;
I.FILENAME reads the keystrokes from an existing file created using "O."
```

Filename may specify any valid path on the workstation.

### Re-Sizing the "ME" Window

The "ME" terminal window can be re-sized from the host by sending a suitable Windows command in MSG\$[5]. You may choose from:

```
MSG$[5]="WINDOW RESTORE"

MSG$[5]="WINDOW MINIMIZE"

MSG$[5]="WINDOW MAXIMIZE"

MSG$[5]="WINDOW MOVE(XXX,YYY,CH_WIDTH,LINE_LENGTH"
```

where xxx and yyy are screen co-ordinates, CH\_WIDTH is the required character width and LINE\_LENGTH is the number of lines required to be displayed on the screen.

### **SendKeys Format**

The following describes the format for Visual Basic SendKeys, used by Gateway for Windows to send keystrokes to an application. The instruction format is taken directly from the Microsoft Visual Basic Language Reference.

One or more characters represent each key. To specify a single keyboard character, use the character itself. To represent more than one character, append each to the one preceding it. For example, to represent the letters A, B, C use "ABC" for keytext.

The plus sign (+), caret (^), tilde (~), and parenthesis () have special meanings to Sendkeys. To specify one of these, enclose it inside braces {}. Brackets [] have no special meaning, but must also be enclosed in braces. To send a brace use {{} or {}}.

To send keys combined with any combination of SHIFT, CTRL, and ALT keys, precede the key code with one or more of the following:

```
SHIFT: + CTRL: ^ ALT: %
```

To obtain, for example, SHIFT with E and C use parentheses: "+(EC)".

To specify characters that are not displayed when you press a key (such as ENTER or TAB) use the codes in the following table.

Key	Code	Key	Code	Key	Code
Back Space	{BACKSPACE} or {bs} or {bksp}	Break	{BREAK}	Caps Lock	{CAPSLOCK}
Clear	{CLEAR}	Del	{DELETE} or {DEL}	Down Arrow	{DOWN}
End	{END}	Enter	{ENTER} or ~	Esc	{ESCAPE} or {ESC}
Help	{HELP}	Home	{HOME}	Ins	{INSERT}
Left	{LEFT}	Num	{NUMLOCK}	Page	{PGDN}

Arrow		Lock		Down	
Page Up	{PGUP}	Print Screen	{PRTSC}	Right Arrow	{RIGHT}
Scroll Lock	{SCROLLLOCK}	Tab	{TAB}	Up Arrow	{UP}
F1	{F1}	F2	{F2}	F3	{F3}
F4	{F4}	F5	{F5}	F6	{F6}
F7	{F7}	F8	{F8}	F9	{ <b>F</b> 9}
F10	{F10}	F11	{F11}	F12	{F12}
F13	{F13}	F14	{F14}	F15	{F15}
F16	{F16}				

**Note:** SendKeys cannot send keystrokes to an application that is not designed to run in Microsoft Windows. Also, SendKeys cannot send the Print Screen key to any application.

### **Special SendKeys**

Gateway for Windows also recognizes two special SendKey formats:

{PAUSE} causes Gateway for Windows to wait four seconds before sending all of the keystrokes preceding the {PAUSE}. This is particularly valuable when using Gateway for Windows to focus keystrokes to an application using 'CI' (Host Clear Input Buffer). Keys to be sent after the {PAUSE} will not be affected by the 'CI'. You can also create a timed running demonstration using this capability. Multiple pauses can be included as {PAUSE}{PAUSE}, creating a total pause time of approximately 8 seconds.

{M:....Message Text....:M} Enclosing a message between message braces {M: and :M} will cause the message to be displayed on the monitor in a Windows Message Box before the key string preceding the message is sent to the host. If a {PAUSE} command does not immediately precede the message, Gateway for Windows will insert one automatically. This allows you to include explanation text along with your self-running demo without modifying your application.

### **Implementation Guidelines**

Adding Gateway for Windows task communication to your application can be accomplished with a minimum of 3GL or 4GL code.

### **All Applications**

For all Windows applications with which you wish to interface, you will need to become familiar and comfortable with the normal operation of the product from the keyboard. You cannot possibly hope to interface properly with an application with which you are not familiar.

### **Applications Supporting DDE**

For applications supporting DDE, you will need to know the format of instructions the application will accept through DDE. Each application is different, and each application supplier documents these instructions in a different manner. Excel, for example, documents each DDE instruction in a separate publication call "Function Reference." Most of the instructions in this publication can be sent from another application using DDE.

If you are in doubt about the correct DDE instruction to send, you can often turn to the operation of the application itself for examples. Many Windows applications, including Excel, have a Macro Record capability, where anything you accomplish with the mouse or from the keyboard is recorded in a file as a Macro Instruction. Thus you can: (1) turn on Macro Recording, (2) format your data the way you wish, (3) turn off Macro Recording, (4) examine the Macro File to determine the appropriate formatting instructions, and (5) include the host instructions in your Gateway for Windows communication from your host application.

#### **GWWLOC**

VIP Gateway for Windows includes a File Location DDE Server application that can be very useful when communicating with workstation applications. GWWLOC locates a specific filename anywhere on the user's workstation or attached file system. If GWWLOC can locate the file, the complete directory path is made available to the host destination program.

Most PC-based applications require a complete path to be given when a file is to be manipulated. When the host application programmer is sure of the file name required, but not of the entire directory structure within the PC file system, GWWLOC becomes invaluable.

GWWLOC will search for a file in the following order:

- The current directory
- The WINDOWS directory
- The WINDOWS SYSTEM directory
- The VIP directory
- All directories specified in the PATH environment variable
- All directories mapped into the network

Instructions for using GWWLOC are provided in the Other Applications ReadMe file distributed with the software.

### **Suggested Implementation Approaches**

The following suggestions will help you minimize the amount of coding required for interface with most applications.

Isolate Communication Code into One Public Program

While you can include Gateway for Windows communication code in each application process from which you wish to communicate, that is not really an efficient manner to handle this communication. A better way is to develop a single public program for each application with which you wish to communicate. This program can then be called from any application process, supplying the desired parameters for the function required. In this manner, Windows communication is focused into one program, and the number of lines of code required from the application process can be minimized.

As an example, the sample program GWWXCEL described in the following pages contains all the code necessary to create a fully functional Excel Spreadsheet. This program can be called from any application program with a single statement, only requiring you to supply the data to be charted and the associated titles.

Communication Libraries for popular workstation products, containing the required software plus helpful advice in using Gateway for Windows, are also published as part of the VIP family of products and are available through your usual sales representatives.

#### **Avoid Over Engineering**

Most Windows applications allow a great deal of flexibility, particularly in the area of display formatting. As an example, Excel allows the operator to display data using Bar Charts, Pie Charts, 3D, etc., usually with only one or two keystrokes. You should not be concerned with building or allowing selection of all of these options from the host; simply choose a single default format, build the chart using the necessary commands for that format, then let the operator override that format, using the standard application capabilities, after the initial display.

#### **DEMONSTRATION PROGRAMS DISTRIBUTED**

Gateway for Windows is delivered with a number of demonstration programs included on the distribution media. Inspection of these programs is the best way to become familiar with VIP Gateway for Windows programming techniques, and developers are encouraged to run and review these demonstration programs.

Two of these programs are included here. They are written in Thoroughbred Basic. You can adapt them to your own programming language as necessary.

#### **GWWDEM1**

This is an example of a host program communicating with Microsoft Excel. This program:

- 1. Initiates communication with Excel, starting it if it is not already active.
- 2. Transmits a series of data to the spreadsheet.
- 3. Retrieves the contents of a calculated field in the spreadsheet.
- 4. Creates a 3-Dimensional color graph from the spreadsheet.
- 5. Locates and re-sizes the display.

#### **GWWXCEL**

This is an example of a standard public program to use for generic Excel communications.

GWWXCEL can be used to automatically interface to Microsoft Excel with a simple CALL statement.

The examples using Excel in this manual are designed to work with Excel 97 or earlier. Some changes may be required for later versions.

```
00010 REM"GWWDEM1 Build Excel Graph using GWW"
00020 BEGIN;
                   ! begin
                      ! seterr for end
! setesc for end
     SETERR 9990;
     SETESC 9990;
                        ! clear screen
! set separation character
     PRINT 'CS';
     VIPSC$="\";
     GWW$=CGV("GWW", ERR=25); ! get gww common global
     IF GWW$(1,1)<>"Y" ! if gww not set on
        GOTO 25
                               ! run gww initiate
                               ! else
           ELSE
           IF GWW$(4,1)<>"N" ! if sep char <> "N"
              VIPSC$=GWW$(4,1) ! set sep char to workstation std
           FI;
                                ! endif
        GOTO 30
                                ! go process
     FI
                                ! endif
00025 RUN "GWW"
                             ! run gww initiate program
```

```
00030 IF SSN <> 108012345 AND SSN <> 104012345 GOTO 40
00035 INPUT 'CS', @(0,1), "Use Excel, Lotus123 or QuattroPro?
         (E/L/Q): ", O$;
      IF O$ = "L" OR O$ = "1"
           RUN "GWWDEMA", ERR=30
         ELSE
            IF 0$ = "Q" OR O$ = "q"
              RUN "GWWDEMQ", ERR=30
            FI
     FΙ
00040 PRINT 'CS',
     @(0,1), "GWWDEM1 - Gateway to Windows To Excel Communication
         Example 1",
     @(0,3), "This example program will do the following:",
     @(0,5)," 1. Initiate communication with Excel, starting it",
                 if it is not already active on the workstation",
     @(0,6),"
     @(0,7)," 2. Transmit a series of data to a spreadsheet",
     @(0,8)," 3. Retrieve the contents of a field in the
                  spreadsheet",
     @(0,9)," 4. Transmit a series of formatting commands to ",
                create a 3 dimensional multi-color graph from",
     @(0,10),"
     @(0,11)," the spreadsheet",
     @(0,12)," 5.Locate and size the graph to a specific location",
     @(0,13)," on the screen",
     @(0,14)," 6. Show you the data and instructions being
                  transmitted",
      @(0,15),"
                 to produce this display"
00042 PRINT @(0,16)," "
00043 INPUT "Run Gateway to Windows Excel Communication Example (Y/N)?:
      ",Y$
00050 IF CVT(Y\$,32) = "N" OR CTL=4 GOTO 9990
00060 IF CVT(Y$,32) <> "Y" GOTO 10
00070 INPUT "Enter the title to use for your Excel Chart: ", Y$
00080 IF CTL=4 GOTO 10
00090 IF Y$ = "" Y$ = "VIP Gateway To Windows"
00100 PRINT 'CS',
00110 WINDOW CREATE (75,4,0,1) "BORDER=LG", "TITLE=Gateway to
         Windows",
      "BORDERATR=FG", "NAME=GWW"
01000 PRINT @(2,2), "Starting Excel",
! Only statements with an asterisk indications -----**
! are required for Gateway To Windows communication
01005 DIM MSG$[6];
                                ! set communication variables
     EXNAME$="EXCEL.EXE"
                                ! set excel source program name
```

```
01030 IF MSG$[0] = "."
                                         ! if good call
             PRINT @(0,2),'CL',
                                          ! print
                @(2,2), "Excel Started", ! confirmation
         ELSE.
                                          ! else
            PRINT @(0,2),'CL',
                                         ! print
                @(2,2),MSG$[0],
                                      ! error
                                         ! endif
      FI;
      IF MSG$[0] <> "."
                                        ! if not good call
         INPUT "- CR TO CONTINUE",*,; ! require acknowledge
         WINDOW DELETE ("GWW"); ! delete the window
         GOTO 10
                                         ! and restart
      FI
                                         ! endif
01100 PRINT @(0,2),'CL',
                                         ! print
         @(2,2),"Building Graph.", ! building graph message
! create window to show data being transmitted
01105 WINDOW CREATE(22,08,0,5) "BORDER=LG", "TITLE=Data
         Transmitted",
          "BORDERATR=FG", "NAME=GWR";
      WINDOW CREATE(22,3,0,13) "BORDER=LG", "TITLE=Data Retrieved",
          "BORDERATR=FG", "NAME=GWX";
      WINDOW CREATE(75,07,0,16) "BORDER=LG",
          "TITLE=Formatting Data Transmitted",
          "BORDERATR=FG", "NAME=GWF";
      WINDOW SELECT ("GWR")
      MSG$[1]="E"; ! Function: Execute **
MSG$[2]=EXNAME$; ! Appl: Excel **
MSG$[3]="SYSTEM"; ! Topic: System **
MSG$[4]=""; ! Item: None **
MSG$[5]="[ERROR(FALSE)]" ! Data: Start with error off **
+"[A1.R1C1(FALSE)]"; ! and R1C1 style
GOSUB 2000
01109 MSG$[1]="E";
      GOSUB 2000
```

```
! Function: Poke Data
! Appl: Excel
! Topic: Sheet1
! Items: Set Items For Trans
01110 MSG$[1]="P";
     MSG$[1]="P";
MSG$[2]=EXNAME$;
MSG$[3]="SHEET1";
     MSG$[3]="SHEET1";
     MSG$[4] = "|R1C2|"
         + "|R2C2|"
         + "|R3C2|"
                                    1
         + "|R4C2|"
         + "|R5C2|"
         + "|R1C3|"
         + "|R2C3|"
         + "|R3C3|"
                                     !
         + "|R4C3|"
                                    !
         + "|R5C3|"
                                    !
         + "|R6C3|";
     Q$=CHR(34);
                                    ! set quote character
     MSG$[5] = "|="+Q$+"A"+Q$+"|" ! Data: Set Data Content **
          + "|="+Q$+"B"+Q$+"|"
                                     !
         + "|="+Q$+"C"+Q$+"|"
                                    !
         + "|="+Q$+"D"+Q$+"|"
         + "|="+Q$+"E"+Q$+"|"
         + "|1|"
         + " | 2 | "
         + "|3|"
         + "|4|"
         + "|5|"
         + "|=SUM(R1C3:R5C3)|"; ! Formula for Excel
     FOR X = 1 TO 5;
                                     ! print all data on char screen
         PRINT @(0,X-1),"R"+STR(X)+"C2",;
         PRINT @(4,X-1), "="+Q$+CHR(64+X)+Q$,; !
         PRINT @(10,X-1),"R"+STR(X)+"C3",;
         PRINT @(15,X-1),STR(X),; !
     NEXT X;
     PRINT @(0,5), "R6C3",;
     PRINT @(4,5),"=SUM(R1C3:R5C3)",;
     GOSUB 2000;
                              ! Call GWWCOM For all items
     WINDOW SELECT ("GWX");
                                       ! select retrieve window
     PRINT @(0,0),"R6C3=",;
                                      ! print column to retrieve
     MSG$[1]="R";
                                        ! Function: Retrieve
     MSG$[4]="|R6C3|";
                                      ! Item: Column ID
                                                                   **
                                      ! call DDECOM
                                                                   **
     GOSUB 2000;
     R$ = MSG$[5];
                                      ! set response
     IF MSG$[0]="."
                                      ! if good response
           G$[0]="."
R$=R$(2,LEN(R$)-2
                                      ! trim off "|" around
                                       ! response
        ELSE
                                      ! else
          R$ = MSG$[0]
                                      ! set response to error code
     FI;
                                      ! endif
```

```
! print response
PRINT @(5,0),R$,;
WINDOW SELECT ("GWF"); ! select FORMAT window
Q$ = CHR(34);
                                 ! set char for quote (")
                                                           **
MSG$[1]="E";
                                ! Function: Execute
MSG$[2]=EXNAME$;
                                ! Appl: Excel
                                                           **
MSG$[3]="SYSTEM";
                               ! Topic: System
                                                           **
MSG$[4]="";
                                 ! Item: None
                                                            **
! Following statements conform to Excel requirements for DDE
! as documented in Excel Functions.
! They perform the following:
     Activate the spreadsheet "sheet1"
     Select cells build during dde conversation above
    set proper alignment
!
    set borders
    define a new graph
Ţ
    Add a legend
ļ
ļ
   Add some text
   Set the graph format
X$ = "";
X$ = X$ + "[ACTIVATE(" + Q$ + "SHEET1" + Q$ + ")]";
X$ = X$ + "[FULL(TRUE)]";
X$ = X$ + "[SELECT(" + Q$ + "R1C2:R5C3" + Q$ + ")]";
X$ = X$ + "[ALIGNMENT(4)]";
X$ = X$ + "[BORDER(FALSE,FALSE,FALSE,TRUE,FALSE,FALSE)]";
X$ = X$ + "[NEW(2,1)]";
X$ = X$ + "[FORMAT.MAIN(3,1,0,50,TRUE,FALSE,FALSE)]";
X$ = X$ + "[ATTACH.TEXT(1)]";
X$ = X$ + "[FORMULA("+Q$+"="+Q$+Q$+Y$]
  + Q$ + Q$ + Q$ + ")]";
X$ = X$ + "[FORMAT.FONT(0,1,FALSE," + Q$ + "HELV" + Q$
   +",18,FALSE,"
   + "FALSE, FALSE, FALSE)]";
X$ = X$ + "[SELECT(" + Q$ + Q$ + ")]";
! the following statements
      (1) make the spreadsheet normal sized
      (2) set the size of the spreadsheet in points
      (3) set the location of the spreadsheet
X$ = X$ + "[APP.RESTORE()][APP.SIZE(330,200)][APP.MOVE(140,10)]";
PRINT @(0,0),X$,;
MSG$[5]=X$;
GOSUB 2000;
                                 ! call DDECOM
WINDOW SELECT ("GWW");
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G$[0] = "." ! if good call
PRINT @(0,2),'CL', ! print
    @(2,2),"COMPLETE!", ! confirmation
IF MSG$[0] = "."
   ELSE
                                      ! else
       PRINT @(0,2),'CL',
                                     ! print
          @(2,2),MSG$[0],
                                    ! error message
FI;
                                     ! endif
INPUT " - CR TO CONTINUE (Excel will terminate)", *;
WINDOW SELECT ("GWF");
PRINT 'CS',;
MSG$[1]="E"; : Long:
MSG$[3]="SYSTEM"; ! Topic: System

MSG$[5]="[CLOSE(FALSE)] ! Data: Close graph

I COSE(FALSE)]"; ! and spreadsheet
                                                                     **
                                                                     **
PRINT @(0,0),MSG$[5],;
                                     ! call DDECOM
                                                                     **
GOSUB 2000;
                              ! Function: Execute
MSG$[1]="E"
MSG$[3]="SYSTEM"; ! Topic: System
MSG$[5]="[QUIT()]"; ! Data: Quit Excel
                                                                      **
                                                                     **
PRINT @(0,1),MSG$[5],;
                                                                     **
GOSUB 2000;
                                       ! call DDECOM
MSG$[1]="F";
                                     ! set focus
                                     ! back to this task
MSG$[2]="ME";
MSG$[5]="";
                                     ! with no keystrokes
                                    ! call DDECOM for focus
GOSUB 2000;
WINDOW SELECT ("GWW");
PRINT @(0,2), 'CL',@(2,2), "EXCEL TERMINATED!",;
INPUT " - CR TO CONTINUE", *;
WINDOW DELETE ("GWW");
                                    ! delete active window
WINDOW DELETE ("GWR");
WINDOW DELETE ("GWX");
WINDOW DELETE ("GWF");
GOTO 10
                                       ! go rerun
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01800 IF VIPSC$ <> "|"
                                      ! INT'L if not a standard sep
                                      ! char
         OLD$=MSG$[4];
                                      ! using msg$[4]
          CHAR$="|";
                                      ! set look for char to standard
          RCHAR$=VIPSC$;
                                      ! set replace char to override
          GOSUB 1900;
                                      ! set new char
          MSG$[4]=OLD$;
                                      ! and replace
         OLD$=MSG$[5];
                                      ! using msg$[5]
          GOSUB 1900;
                                      ! set new char
         MSG$[5]=OLD$
                                      ! and replace
      FI;
                                       ! endif
      RETURN
                                       ! return
01850 IF VIPSC$ <> "|" ! *INT'L if not a standard sep char OLD$=MSG$[5]; ! using result CHAR$=VIPSC$; ! set look for char to override RCHAR$="|"; ! set replace char to standard GOSUB 1900: ! go replace
                                  ! go replace
          GOSUB 1900;
         MSG$[5]=OLD$
                                  ! and restore result
                                   ! endif
      FI;
      RETURN
                                   ! return
01900 WHILE POS(CHAR$=OLD$)<>0; ! INTL while look for char is in
                                   ! string
          SCPOS=POS(CHAR$=OLD$); ! set its position
          OLD$(SCPOS,1)=RCHAR$; ! replace with override char
                                   ! wend
      WEND;
      RETURN
                                    ! return
02000 REM"TRANSMIT TO GATEWAY" ! call DDECOM
02010 GOSUB 1800
                                   ! INT'L ONLY - check for sep char
02060 CALL "GWWCOM", MSG$[ALL]
                                   ! call public
                                                                       **
02070 GOSUB 1850
                                   ! INT'L ONLY - check for sep char
                                                                        **
02090 RETURN
                                   ! RETURN
09990 RUN "VIPMENU", ERR=9991
09999 END
```

The following is an example of the results that can be obtained with proper implementation of Gateway for Windows using the program GWWXCEL.

#### Thoroughbred Basic Code Required

```
TITLES="|2005 Sales||2006 Sales||2007 Sales|";

DATA1$="|825000.00||1245000.00||1475000.00|";

DATA2$="";

NAME$="My Company Sales";

CALL"GWWXCEL","MYPROG",TITLE$,DATA1$,DATA2$,NAMES$,70,24,1,1;
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00010 REM "GWWXCEL Build Excel Graph Using GWW Public Routine"
00015 SETERR 09990;
                                       ! seterr
     SETESC 09990
                                       ! setesc
00020 ENTER P$
                                    ! programname
                                    ! referencename string
            Y1$,
            Y2$,
                                    ! data string
           Y3$,
                                    ! 2nd data string (optional)
            Т$,
                                    ! report title
            W,
                                    ! width in characters
            н,
                                   ! height in lines
                                    ! starting column
            C,
            R
                                    ! starting line
00025 SETERR 09990;
                                    ! seterr
     SETESC 09990;
                                    ! setesc
     Q$=CHR(34);
                                    ! set quote character
     VIPSC$="\";
                                   ! set separation character
                                    ! default
     GWW$=CGV("GWW", ERR=9990);
                                    ! get gww global
                                    ! ifot on
      IF GWW$(1,1)<>"Y"
           GOTO 9990
                                    ! exit
                                    ! else
        ELSE
            IF GWW$(4,1)<>"N"
                                    ! if sep charot =
               VIPSC$=GWW$(4,1)
                                    ! set override sep char
                                    ! endif
            FΙ
                                    ! endif
     FI;
                                    ! set data option to 1
     DATAOPT$="1";
      IF CVT(Y3$,128) <> "" THEN
                                    ! if 2nd data string
        DATAOPT$="2"
                                    ! set data option to 2
                                    ! endif
     FΙ
00026 T1$="";
                                 ! set 1st data heading to blank
     T2$="";
                                 ! set 2nd data heading to blank
     T0$="";
                                 ! set combined heading to blank
     T9$=T$+" ";
                                 ! add spaces to heading string
     IF POS(VIPSC$=T9$)=1 AND  ! if there is a start char
        POS(VIPSC$=T9$(2))<>0! and an end char
        T9$=T9$(2);
                                ! delete the start char
        T0=POS(VIPSC$=T9$);
                               ! get pos of end char
        T0$=T9$(1,T0-1);
                                ! set combined heading
                                 ! and truncate from string
         T9$=T9$(T0+1);
         IF POS(VIPSC$=T9$)=1 AND! if there is a start char
            POS(VIPSC$=T9$(2))<>0! and an end char
            T9$=T9$(2);
                                ! truncate start char
            T0=POS(VIPSC$=T9$); ! get pos of end char
            T1$=T9$(1,T0-1);
                                ! set 1st data heading
                                ! and truncate from string
            T9$=T9$(T0+1);
           IF POS(VIPSC$=T9$)=1 AND
                                       ! if there is a start char
               POS(VIPSC$=T9$(2))<>0! and an end char
                                       ! truncate start char
               T9$=T9$(2);
               T0=POS(VIPSC$=T9$);
                                      ! get pos of end char
               T2$=T9$(1,T0-1)
                                       ! set 2nd data heading
                                       ! endif
           FΙ
        FΙ
                                       ! endif
     FI;
                                       ! endif
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! if combined heading blank
        IF T0$=""
                                               ! set it to total heading string
            T0$=T$
                                                 ! endif
           T1$="" ! if 1st data heading blank
T1$="Series 1" ! set it to Excel Std Series 1
        IF T1$=""
          ! endif
F T2$="" ! if 2nd data heading blank
T2$="Series 2" ! set it to Excel Std Series 2
! endif
        FI;
        IF T2$=""
        TR
00029 \text{ IF } W = 0
                                                   ! if 0 width
          W = 75
                                                   ! set to almost full width
        FI;
                                                   ! endif
        IF H = 0
                                                   ! if 0 height
          H = 27
                                                   ! set to almost screen height
       FI;
WIDTH=INT(W*72/12); ! calc width
HEIGHT=INT(H*72/6); ! height
HORZ=INT(C*72/12); ! characters
| lines
                                                   ! calc width in points
00030 WINDOW CREATE (7,4,1,20) "NAME=EXCEL", ! create action window
        "BORDER=LG", "BORDERATR=FG";
                                                             ! with attributes
        PRINT @(0,0), 'BF', @(0,0), "(GWW)", 'ER',; ! and print gww status
        SETERR 1190;
                                                    ! seterr to del window, exit
        SETESC 1190
                                                     ! setesc to del window, exit
                                                  ! start with excel sheet 1
00040 S$="SHEET1";
        P$=CVT(P$,8+128);
                                                     ! strip programname
                                                   ! set option =ew spreadsheet
        OPT$="NEW"
01005 DIM MSG$[6];
                                                    ! dim GWW pass string
        EXNAME$="EXCEL.EXE"
       MSG$[1]="X";

MSG$[2]= EXNAME$; ! appl: excer

ERREXIT$="Y"; ! set exit on error to yes

GOSUB 02000; ! go get info from GWW

! get response from call
01006 MSG$[1]="X";
01010 MSG$[1]="I6"; ! function: initiate,ormal,o focus MSG$[2]= EXNAME$; ! appl: excel MSG$[3]="SYSTEM"; ! topic: system MSG$[4]=""; ! item: one MSG$[5]=""; ! data: one GOSUB 02000 ! call GWW
       MSG$[1]="E"; ! function: execute
MSG$[3]="SYSTEM"; ! topic: system
MSG$[5]="[ERROR(FALSE)]"+ ! data: turn Excel errors off
   "[A1.R1C1(FALSE)]"; ! + R1C1 reference
01021 MSG$[1]="E";
        GOSUB 2000
                                                    ! call GWW
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01022 MSG$[1]="R" ! function: retrieve

MSG$[3]=S$; ! topic: sheetame

MSG$[4]=VIPS ! set start sep char
                              ! set start sep char
          +"R1C1"
                                 ! + item: row 1, column 1
                             ! + rcem. ___.
! + end sep char
! call GWW to get current sheet info
          +VIPSC$;
       GOSUB 02000
01024 X5$=MSG$[5];
                                      ! set response
       IF LEN(X5$)=2
X5$=""
                                      ! if only two chars
             X5$=""
                                       ! set response toone
          ELSE.
                                       ! else
              X5$=CVT(X5$(2,LEN(X5$)-2),8+128) ! set last programname
                                      ! endif
       IF POS(P$=X5$)<>1
                                      ! if curr program <> this sheet pgm
          IF X5$=""
                                      ! if itso program
              OPT$="NEW";
                                   ! set option =ew
              GOTO 01030
                                      ! go process
                                      ! endif
          FI;
          S$="SHEET"+STR(NUM(S$(6))+1); ! add 1 to sheet id
          MSG$[3]=S$; ! set topic toext sheet
ERREXIT$ = "N"; ! dont exit if error
GOSUB 02000; ! call GWW to get thisame
IF MSG$[0]="." ! if a good sheet
GOTO 01024 ! goto check again
ELSE ! else
              ELSE
                                     ! else
                 MSG$[1]="E"; ! function: execute
                 MSG$[3]="SYSTEM"; ! topic: system
                 MSG$[5]="[NEW(1,0)]"; !text: ew sheet
                 GOSUB 02000; ! call GWW to createew sheet
                                      ! go process
                 GOTO 01030
                                      ! endif
              FI
                                      ! else
          ELSE
              OPT$="CURR"
                                     ! set option to curr sheet there
                                      ! endif
01030 X1$=Y1$+" ";
X2$=Y2$+" ";
X3$=Y3$+" ";
                                  ! add blanks to reference cells! add blanks to 1st data cells! add blanks to 2nd data cells
       R=0;
                                     ! set row to zero
       GOSUB 6000
                                      ! set alpha location references
01040 PRINT @(1,1),"P...",
                                              ! print poke status in window
01110 MSG$[1]="P";
                                              ! function: poke
      MSG$[2] = EXNAME$;
                                             ! appl: excel
       MSG$[3]=S$;
                                            ! topic: sheetame
                                            ! start item string asull
       MSG$[4]="";
       MSG$[5]="";
                                            ! start data string asull
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WHILE POS(VIPSC$=X1$)<>0 ! while there is a good start
                                ! seperator
  AND POS(VIPSC$=X1$(2))<>0;! and a good end seperator
      P1=POS(VIPSC$=X1$); ! get start sep
     X1$=X1$(2);
                               ! truncate it
     P2=POS(VIPSC$=X1$);
                               ! get end sep
     R=R+1;
                               ! add 1 to row
     MSG$[4]=MSG$[4]+VIPSC$
                               ! add to current string 1 sep
                                ! char
         +"R"+STR(R)+"C2"
                                ! + row and column id
         +VIPSCS;
                                ! + end sep char
                               ! truncate this entry
     X1$=X1$(P2+1);
WEND;
                                ! wend
R=0;
                                ! set row to zero
WHILE POS(VIPSC$=X2$)<>0
                            ! while there is a good
                                ! seperator
  AND POS(VIPSC$=X2$(2))<>0; ! and a good end seperator P1=POS(VIPSC$=X2$); ! get start sep
                               ! truncate it
     X2$=X2$(2);
                               ! get end sep
      P2=POS(VIPSC$=X2$);
                                ! add 1 to row
     R=R+1;
     MSG$[4] = MSG$[4]
                               ! add to curr string
        + VIPSC$
                               ! 1 sep char
         + "R"
                               ! + row indicator
        + STR(R)
                               ! + row id
                               ! + column
         + "C3"
         + VIPSC$;
                                ! + end sep char
     X2$=X2$(P2+1);
                                ! truncate this entry
                                ! wend
WEND;
IF DATAOPT$ <> "1"
                            ! if more than one data string
  R=0
                             ! reset row counter
FI;
                             ! endif
WHILE POS(VIPSC$=X3$)<>0
                            ! while there is a start char
  AND POS(VIPSC$=X3$(2))<>0;! and an end char
      P1=POS(VIPSC$=X3$); ! get start char
                             ! truncate it
     X3$=X3$(2);
      P2=POS(VIPSC$=X3$); ! get end char
                             ! add 1 to row
     R=R+1;
     MSG$[4]=MSG$[4]
                            ! add to current msg string
        +VIPSC$
                            ! 1 sep char
         +"R"
                            ! + row id
                             ! + rowumber
         +STR(R)
                             ! + column
         +"C4"
         +VIPSC$;
                             ! + end sep char
     X3$=X3$(P2+1);
                            ! truncate this entry
WEND;
                             ! wend
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MSG$[5]=Y1$+Y2$+Y3$; ! set data strings
                              ! call GWW to send sheet id data
GOSUB 02000;
MSG$[4]= VIPSC$
                              ! createew string with 1 sep
                              ! char
         + "R1C1"
                             ! + rlcl indicator
         + VIPSC$ + VIPSC$ ! + 2 sep chars
         + "R2C1"
                             ! + r2c1 indicator
         + VIPSC$ + VIPSC$ ! + 2 sep chars
         + "R3C1"
                              ! + r3c1 indicator
         + VIPSC$;
                              ! + end sep char
MSG$[5]= VIPSC$
                              ! set data string with 1 sep
                              ! char
         + P$
                              ! + sourcename
         + VIPSC$ + VIPSC$
                             ! + 2 sep chars
         + S$
                              ! + sheetame
         + VIPSC$ + VIPSC$ ! + 2 sep chars
         + T0$
                              ! + title
         + VIPSC$;
                             ! + end sep char
GOSUB 02000;
                             ! call GWW to set this data
MSG$[1]="E";
                              ! function: execute
MSG$[2]= EXNAME$;
                             ! appl: excel
MSG$[3]="SYSTEM";
                             ! topic: system
MSG$[4]="";
                             ! item: one
X$="";
                             ! initialize transmit string
IF DATAOPT$<>"1"
                             ! ifot one data column
      COL$="C4"
                             ! select over to column 4
   ELSE.
                              ! else
      COL$="C3"
                              ! select over to column 3
FI;
                              ! endif
IF OPT$="NEW"
                              ! if aew sheet
   X$=X$+"[ACTIVATE()]"; ! activate excel sheet
X$=X$+"[FULL(TRUE)]"; ! set full option
   X$=X$+"[SELECT("+Q$+"R1C2:R"+STR(R)+COL$+Q$+")]"; ! select
                              ! all data
   X$=X$+"[ALIGNMENT(4)]";
                              ! set alignment
   X$=X$+"[BORDER(FALSE,FALSE,FALSE,TRUE,FALSE,FALSE)]"; ! and
                              ! border
   X$=X$+"[NEW(2,1)]";
                              ! create aew graph
   IF DATAOPTS="1"
                              ! if only one data column
         X$=X$+"[GALLERY.3D.COLUMN(4)]"; ! type 3D column
         X$=X$+"[FORMAT.MAIN(8,1,0,50,TRUE,FALSE,FALSE)]"
      ELSE
                               ! else
         X$=X$+"[GALLERY.COLUMN(1,TRUE)]"; ! type 2D column
         X$=X$+"[FORMAT.MAIN(3,1,0,50,TRUE,FALSE,FALSE)]"
   FI;
                              ! endif
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X$=X$+"[ATTACH.TEXT(1)]"; ! attach for the title
   X$=X$+"[FORMULA("+Q$+"="+Q$+Q$+T0$+Q$+Q$+Q$+")]";! the
                                 ! reportname
   IF DATAOPT$<>"1"
                                 ! ifot single data graph
                                 ! created
      X$=X$+"[ACTIVATE("+Q$+S$+Q$+")]"; ! select each sheet
      X$=X$+"[SELECT("+Q$+"R1C2:R"+STR(R)+"C3"+Q$+")]";
      X$=X$+"[NEW(2,1)]";
      X$=X$+"[GALLERY.3D.COLUMN(4)]";
      X$=X$+"[FORMAT.MAIN(8,1,0,50,TRUE,FALSE,FALSE)]";
      X$=X$+"[ATTACH.TEXT(1)]";
      X$=X$+"[FORMULA("+Q$+"="+Q$+Q$+T1$+Q$+Q$+Q$+")]";
      X$=X$+"[ACTIVATE("+Q$+S$+Q$+")]";
      X$=X$+"[SELECT("+Q$+"R1C2:R"+STR(R)+"C2,R1C4:R"+
         STR(R) + "C4" + Q$ + ")]";
      X$=X$+"[NEW(2,1)]";
      X$=X$+"[GALLERY.3D.COLUMN(4)]";
      X$=X$+"[FORMAT.MAIN(8,1,0,50,TRUE,FALSE,FALSE)]";
      X$=X$+"[ATTACH.TEXT(1)]";
      X$=X$+"[FORMULA("+Q$+"="+Q$+Q$+T2$+Q$+Q$+Q$+")]"
   FI
                                 ! endif
FI:
X$=X$+"[SELECT("+Q$+Q$+")]";
                                 ! select the graph
X$=X$+"[APP.RESTORE()]";
                                 ! make it big
X$=X$+"[APP.SIZE("+STR(WIDTH)+","+STR(HEIGHT)+")]"; ! size it
X$=X$+"[APP.MOVE("+STR(HORZ)+","+STR(VERT)+")]"; ! and move
                                 ! it
IF OPTS = "NEW"
                                 ! if this isew sheet
   X$=X$+"[ACTIVATE("+Q$+S$+Q$+")]"; ! activate the data sheet
   X$=X$+"[HIDE()]";
                                 ! and hide it
   X$=X$+"[ARRANGE.ALL()]"
                                 ! then arrange the rest
                                 ! endif
FI;
X$=X$+"[APP.RESTORE()]";
                                ! restore the base sheet
MSG$[5]=X$;
                                 ! set execute items
GOSUB 02000;
                                 ! call GWW to format graph
MSG$[1]="F";
                                 ! function: focus to ensure
                                ! display
MSG$[2]= EXNAME$;
                                ! appl: excel
MSG$[3]="SYSTEM";
                                ! topic: system
MSG$[4]="";
                                ! item: one
MSG$[5]="%{ }{ENTER}";
                                ! alt, space, enter
GOSUB 02000
                                 ! send these keys to activate
                                 ! graph
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01190 WINDOW DELETE ("EXCEL"); ! delete the status window
     GOTO 09990
                                     ! and exit
02000 REM"GWW Transmit"
                                     ! call GWW
02010 PRINT @(1,1), MSG$[1](1,1),".X",; ! print function code
                                     ! transmitted
     CALL"GWWCOM", MSG$[ALL];
                                    ! call GWW with all parms
     PRINT @(1,1),"...",;
                                    ! clear function code
                                     ! transmitted
     IF MSG$[0]<>"." AND ERREXIT$="Y" ! ifot a good call & exit
                                      ! on err yes
                                     ! exit at this time
           EXITTO 1190
        ELSE
                                     ! else
           ERREXIT$="Y";
                                     ! set exit onext error to yes
           RETURN
                                     ! return
     FI
                                      ! endif
06000 REM "make sure refs are alpha! check reference string for
                                     ! alphas
06010 Y5$=Y1$+" ";
                                     ! set reference string + 2
                                     ! blanks
     Y1$="";
                                     ! clear original ref string
     WHILE POS(VIPSC$=Y5$)=1 AND
                                    ! while there is a start char
          POS(VIPSC$=Y5$(2))<>0;
                                     ! and an end char
        Y1$ = Y1$
                                      ! add to previously decode
                                     ! string
           + Y5$(1,1)
                                     ! the start char
           + "="
                                     ! + excel = sign for formula
           + Q$;
                                     ! + quote for text
        Y5$ = Y5$(2);
                                     ! truncate the start char
        Y5 = POS(VIPSC$=Y5$); ! find the end char
        Y1$ = Y1$
                                     ! add to decoded string
           + Y5$(1,Y5-1)
                                    ! the remainder of the
                                    ! formula
           + Q$
                                    ! + end quote for text
           + Y5$(Y5,1);
                                    ! + end character
        Y5$ = Y5$(Y5+1);
                                     ! and set the remainder of
                                     ! source
     WEND;
                                     ! wend
     RETURN
                                     ! return
09990 EXIT
                                     ! exit graphic routine
09999 END
                                      ! end
```