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Data Loss with Multi-reel Utilities on CacheTape

When running Zetaco's TC-133 or BMX-2 Tape Couplers with Cipher's CacheTape drives, you may lose data when using multireel copy utilities such as FDUMP and PCOPY. This is because the CacheTape writes past End of Tape(EOT); data cannot always be recovered when more than one reel is required, because the system stops reading when it reaches EOT.

Single reel utilities, such as DUMP or DUMP II, do not have this problem.

BMX-2/CacheTape Combinations

The Remote Density Select feature on the BMX-2 Tape Coupler does not function with the Cipher CacheTape since there is no return of the density status lines.

Zetaco is working with Cipher on resolutions to these problems and we'll inform you of them as soon as we can.

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