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New TCR V1.5 and V1.6 Shared Library - libbaseapi.so -
Prevents Networker from 'save' error due to service name
being retrieved from API without NULL termination.

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PRODUCT NAME(S) IMPACTED: Tru64 UNIX

PRODUCT FAMILY(IES):

Storage	___
Systems	_x_
Networks	___
PC	___
Software	_x_
Other (specify)	___

PRODUCT NUMBERS: Alpha Systems; Tru64 UNIX V4.0D-F, TCR 1.5/1.6

PROBLEM STATEMENT:

After installation of the Tru64 UNIX V4.0d/V4.0e BL12 patch kit
or with V4.0f, a problem might be experienced in Networker
attempting to do a save of a service.

A typical error message:

save: SYSTEM error, 'servicelM-PqM-Am-^?^C' is not a registered
client.

The above error is generated because the service name is 'servicel'.

ANALYSIS:

Error occurs because the malloc() function in libc.so and libc.a

has been updated. The new malloc() returns non-zeroed memory. This behavior remains consistent with all applicable standards, and is how malloc should be expected to work in the general case. However, an Application Programming Interface (API) function in libaseapi.so - ase_get_storage_list() does not ensure NULL termination of service names; therefore this programming error surfaced. Networker uses this API.

SOLUTION:

New ibaseapi.so has been created that ensures that a NULL character postcedes the service name.

The new shared library can be copied from:

guru.zk3.dec.com:/usr/guest/misc/osf/legato

For TCR 1.5 the file is: legato_tcr15.tar.Z

For TCR 1.6 the file is: legato_tcr16.tar.Z

This new shared library will be in the Bl14 patch kit when it is released. The library at the location provided can be installed on Bl12 and Bl13 patch levels.

INSTALLATION:

As superuser:

(assume the patch is under /patches):

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# cd /usr/opt/TCR<>/shlib <> = 160 for TCR 1.6
    150 for TCR 1.5
# mv libaseapi.so libaseapi.so.orig
# cp /patches/libaseapi.so .
# chmod 644 libaseapi.so
# chown bin:bin libaseapi.so
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After the new library is installed, Networker will need to be restarted.

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