



# **TECHNICAL SUPPORT FACSIMILE TRANSMITTAL FORM**

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# File Index Rebuild

If Appraise-It has not been networked properly or has been changed from stand alone to network, the file index will frequently not be able to load the reports, which requires this rebuild. If you are using Appraise-It on a server, you will set up the server so that the server will not conflict with the workstations. (See correcting the INI and MAPPING below). Do not run Appraise-It on any machine while running the rebuild.

## **CORRECT TRA.INI AND MAPPING**

- 1. Close Appraise-It on all machines.
- 2. Install the new file index from your CD.
- 3. Open Windows Explorer (START-PROGRAMS-WINDOWS EXPLORER)
  - a) Change the View Options
    - i) Click on **VIEW DETAILS**.
    - ii) If you have Win 98, click **VIEW TOOLBARS ADDRESS BAR** (You will now see an address bar below your toolbar that gives the address of directory you select.)
    - iii) Make sure there is a CHECK next to **STATUS BAR** under View.
    - iv) Click on **VIEW** and select **OPTIONS** (or Folder Options) at the bottom.
      - (1) Click on the **VIEW** tab.
      - (2) Select SHOW ALL FILES
      - (3) Uncheck **HIDE FILE EXTENSIONS** or MS DOS file extensions.
  - b) Rename Traindex
    - i) Double click on **TRADATA**
    - ii) On the right side of the screen, left click on TRAINDEX.DTA
    - iii) Hit F2
    - iv) Type TRAINDEX.OLD
    - v) Hit ENTER
  - c) Archive your reports (**optional** but recommended if feasible)
    - i) Make a backup of your Data directory
    - ii) Create a subdirectory for each year
      - (1) Left click **D**ATA
      - (2) On the tool bar at the top, click **FILE NEW FOLDER**
      - (3) Type a year (e.g., 1997 if that is the first year you have reports in Tradata)
      - (4) Hit ENTER
      - (5) Repeat the above steps to create a subdirectory for each subsequent year including the current year (e.g., **2001**).
      - (6) Also use these steps to create a subdirectory called **PROBLEMS**.

- iii) Move your reports into the correct directory
  - (1) Left click on **D**ATA
    - (a) At the top of the of the forth column on the right, left click **MODIFIED** twice
    - (b) The reports should now be ordered by date from the earliest to the latest
    - (c) Left click on the file name for the first report (e.g., the first 1997 report)
    - (d) Scroll down and hold down the **SHIFT** key while you **LEFT CLICK** on the last report for that year. This should highlight all your reports for that year.
    - (e) On the tool bar, click  $\overrightarrow{EDIT} \overrightarrow{CUT}$
    - (f) Left click on the correct directory (e.g., **1997**)
    - (g) On the tool bar, click **EDIT PASTE**
    - (h) All your reports for 1997 should be transferred to your 1997 directory
  - (2) Repeat this process to transfer your reports for each subsequent year including the current year (e.g., **2001**).
- iv) Close Windows Explorer
- 4. If you are on a standalone, skip to step 5. If you are on a network, you want to be certain that the server and workstations use the same drive letter for Appraise-It.
  - a) Each workstation will need to use the same mapped drive letter (e.g., **S**) to the server's C drive (assuming Tradata is on the server's C drive).
  - b) It is also necessary that the server have the same drive (e.g., **S**) mapped to its own C drive. If not, then do the following on the server.
    - i) If your server is Windows 98
      - (1) click START RUN
      - (2) Type MSCONFIG and click OK
      - (3) Left click on the AUTOEXEC.BAT tab
      - (4) Left click NEW
      - (5) Type: **SUBST S: C:**\
      - (6) Click OK and click YES to reboot
      - (7) (Note this will create a S drive on your server's hard drive and substitute what is found on C for it. In other words, S will be the same as C.)
    - ii) If your server is NT or 2000
      - (1) Open Windows Explorer and under *Network Neighborhood* **RIGHT CLICK** on the server's **C** drive. Left click **MAP NETWORK DRIVE**.
      - (2) Select S as the drive; make sure there is a check mark in RECONNECT AT LOG ON and click OK.
  - c) Change tra.ini on the server so that it is looking to S
    - i) Go to START-RUN and type TRA.INI and click on OK.
    - ii) Click SEARCH FIND
    - iii) Type: DIR
    - iv) Click FIND NEXT
    - v) Click CANCEL
    - vi) Scroll down so that you can read the section marked [Directories].
    - vii) Change the C to an  $\hat{S}$ 
      - (1)  $AppDir=C:\TRA$
      - (2) DataDir=S:\TRADATA
      - (3) PrivateDir=C:\TRAPRIV
      - (4) ExeDrive=C
      - (5) ImageDir=S:\TRADATA\IMAGE
      - (6) AS\_Source=S:\TRADATA\SKELS\UA2SKEL\UAR-3X5.RPT
      - (7) FileOpen=S:\TRADATA\DATA\\*.RPT
    - viii) Click **FILE SAVE**
    - ix) Close Notepad

- d) Repeat the above steps to change tra.ini on the workstation so that the data is pointed to **S** drive. (Do not point the AppDir, PrivateDir, or ExeDrive to S on the workstations!)
- 5. If you did not archive your reports, then skip to running rebuild on next page.
  - a) Open Appraise-It.
  - b) Click **FILE UTILITIES DIRECTORIES**
  - c) You cannot change the default directory, but you will need to change each of the other ones.
  - d) Double click on UNIFORM RESIDENTIAL
  - e) At the end of C:\TRADATA\DATA add \2001 and click OK. (WARNING!! If you are on a server, your directory should be drive letter for the server, e.g., S, not C as pictured!!! If it is not S, change it!!)
  - f) Repeat this process for each of the other report types.
  - g) Close Appraise-It
  - h) (If you are on a network, you will need to do this on each workstation or copy C:\Windows\TRA.INI from the server to each of your workstations.)



## **RUNNING REBUILD**

- 1) Open Appraise-It on the server (but do not open a report).
- 2) Click **FILE FILE INDEX REBUILD** 
  - a. Click the browse button  $(\dots)$  in the top right-hand corner.
  - b. Double click on the 2001 directory and click OK
  - c. The path in the top right corner will now say C:\TRADATA\DATA\2001
     (WARNING!! If you are on a server, your directory should be drive letter for the server, e.g., S, not C as
     pictured!!! If it is not S, change it!!)
  - d. Click ADD and it will start rebuilding the file index.
- 3) If you encounter problems during the rebuild, trying running the rebuild again. If when you click **Add** the rebuild keeps crashing on the same report (listed at the top of the Add screen), then that report is corrupt and needs to be moved to the Problems directory you created earlier.
  - a. In Windows Explorer, go to your Tradata\Data directory
  - b. Highlight the problem report
  - c. On your tool bar click EDIT-CUT
  - d. Left click on your Tradata\Data\Problems directory and click EDIT-PASTE. If Add crashes twice

## PREVIOUS YEAR

After you have ran the rebuild for all your reports this year, you can run it for previous year if you wish.

- 1. Click **REBUILD ADD**
- 2. Click the browse button (...) in the top right-hand corner.
- 3. Double click the **DATA** directory
- 4. Double click the previous year
- 5. Click **Ok** and run rebuild for that year by clicking **Add**.





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move that report to the

Problems directory.

#### NEXT YEAR

At the very beginning of next year you will need to repeat the steps above for the new year, that is,

- 1. Open Appraise-It
  - a) Click FILE UTILITIES DIRECTORIES
  - b) You cannot change the default directory, but you will need to change each of the other ones.
  - c) Double click on UNIFORM RESIDENTIAL
  - d) At the end of C:\TRADATA\DATA add \2002 and click OK.
    (WARNING!! If you are on a server, your directory should be drive letter for the server, e.g., S, not C as pictured!!! If it is not S, change it!!)
  - e) If it asks if you want to create a 2002 directory, say **YES** and it will create it for you.
  - f) Repeat this process for each of the other report types.
- 2. Close Appraise-It
- 3. You will need to do this on each workstation or copy the **TRA.INI** from the S:\Windows on your server to the C:\Windows directory on each of your workstations.

#### FILE OPEN

Please note that when you use **FILE – OPEN** in Appraise-It afterward for the first time you will not be in your proper directory for the given year. You must open and save a report from that year before Appraise-It will default to that year. If you wish to switch back to another year, simply click on the **DEFAULT DIRECTORY** button and then select the year.

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