Startup & Shutdown

Overview

BOOMS can run on a stand-alone PC (single-user system) or on a workstation in a Local Area Network (LAN) environment (multi-user system). BOOMS does not require that the PC or workstation be dedicated to its use. When BOOMS "shuts down", it removes itself entirely from memory. Thus, the entire PC is available for use by other programs (e.g. word processor or spreadsheet program).

Startup

For either a standalone system or a network, BOOMS can be started by entering the following batch command from the "DOS" prompt:

BOOMS

The command "BOOMS" is a "batch" command (BOOMS.BAT), whose primary function is to execute 2 programs: **BTRIEVE** and **BINT63H**. **BTRIEVE** is the Record Manager which controls access to the BOOMS databases. **BINT63H** is the BOOMS Control Program (See Appendix H for a list of the valid parameters for each of these programs). After you briefly see the Lissan Computing Company, Inc. Copyright notice, the Signon Screen will be displayed (See Chapter 2).

Startup for Server-based Btrieve (Novell Netware)

Some versions of Novell Netware have the capability of running a server-based version of the Btrieve Record Manager (Btrieve 6.x). If your installation is running this version of Btrieve on the File Server, the BOOMS startup procedure must be modified to run the Btrieve requester, **BREQUEST**, instead of BTRIEVE., BOOMS is distributed with a sample startup file, "**BOOMSNET.BAT**" that shows the procedure necessary to run the system as a Btrieve client.

Shutdown

To exit from the system, press Function Key 10 (F10) twice (the second time is for confirmation). Successful Shutdown results in:

- Clearing of the screen
- Status Message:

BOOMS Ended Normally

If you receive a message other than the one above, consult Appendix A (Status & Error Messages) for the appropriate action to take.