



## CASE STUDY # 106

**Company / User:** TALX, St. Louis MO.

**Background:** Talx, now Equifax, contacted APWI because Océ/Canon felt that our HostServe™ software could replace the VIPP conversion done by their Xerox DP100 printer. VIPP (Variable Intelligent Postscript Printing) is a proprietary Xerox print language. The company needed to convert VIPP into a common print language in a Windows environment.

**Before:** the only other way of creating this conversion would have been to re-write the applications generating the data on the mainframe to make their output print into the Windows environment. This solution would have been very costly and time-consuming to develop, test, and maintain.

**After:** APWI provided the HostServe™ software to enable this integration. Using the tools within HostServe™, APWI solutions specialists accomplished the successful conversion of their VIPP data so that it ran successfully on any one of 4 Canon ir85 printers. HostServe™ receives documents from all over the country and acts as a single point of control for converting the documents.

**How the VIPP solution works:** Data comes in from their Host into a folder on the HostServe™ server. Then HostServe™ automatically picks up the documents—including reports and letters, processes it into PCL, and sends it on to the printer.

**Impact:** HostServe™ provided a unique, cost-savings solution through the software integration. HostServe is a very maintainable, scalable, reliable software solution for transferring documents from legacy mainframe environments to Windows print.

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