Inter-System Call Exchange (ICE) Subroutines Guide

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1 Overview

The Inter-System Call Exchange, ICE is a set of procedures built on the Network Process Exchange, NPX. NPX provides a general capability to make a remote procedure call to any dynamically linkable subroutine on a remote system.

On the user's first NPX call to a system, extensive security checks are performed to ensure only valid calls are accepted. Subsequent calls do not perform this validation check. The call is then passed to an <u>NPX Slave Process</u>. A slave is a PRIMOS process with the sole function of executing procedure calls at the request of remote users. When idle, a slave assigns a Primenet port, releases all resources such as wired memory and "hibernates," waiting for a call to come in. Each slave acts for a single remote "master" and remains assigned to that master until released. In this way, a master has an exclusive server on each of possibly several systems for the duration of its remote activity, thus providing a mechanism for implementing a "distributed" system.

The slave unpacks the subroutine name and parameters, builds a standard calling sequence and calls the procedure. The procedure, unaware that it is being executed on behalf of a remote user, performs its expected function. The slave will now transmit the results back to its master.

Throughout this operation, the user is unaware that any remote activity has occurred.

2 Purpose

NPX is an undocumented Prime tool, it is subject to change at any time. Using ICE will protect the NPX user from making extensive changes to their application. The first benefit will be seen at PRIMOS revision 19.3, the NPX calling interface has changed.

3 Implementation

As mentioned above, ICE is a layer above NPX. This method of implementation somewhat limits the functionality of ICE. As new NPX procedures become available they will be incorporated into ICE. However, because NPX is a layer above PRIMENET, it may be possible to implement some additional functionality not provided by NPX.

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4 Performance

The NPX mechanism is extremely useful but has some performance drawbacks. The main concern is the amount of CPU required to pack the subroutine arguments, transfer the arguments, build the procedure call, execute the call, pack the results and finally transfer the results. You will get the best performance if you design your remote procedures with this in mind. Remote procedures that can gather as much information as possible in one call, will perform more efficiently than procedures that return a single item of information and must be called a number of times. Consider the PRIMOS subroutines DIR\$RD and DIR\$LS. Both these procedures return directory entries and may be called remotely, however, using DIR\$LS is the better "remote" choice. This is so because DIR\$LS can return multiple directory entries in one call. For example, you can obtain 30 directory entries and only pay the NPX overhead once. If you used DIR\$RD, you could spend more time in NPX than you would in DIR\$RD.

5 Problems

NPX is under the control of PRIMOS, not ICE. The most obvious problem is releasing your slave when your application terminates abnormally. ICE attempts to correct this situation by using a static onunit. When "terminal" conditions are raised, all the user's slaves will be released. There will be situations where this is not possible. At this time, the only method of cleanup is to logout of PRIMOS.

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6 ICE ALOC - Allocate Slave Process

FILE: <D7DAT5>SYSLIBSRC>ICES>ICE ALOC.SPL

DESCRIPTION:

ICE_ALOC allocates a slave process on the specified node. The virtual circuit between the local node and target node is established when it called for the first time. ICE_RLS must be called to release the slave.

USAGE:

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dcl ICE ALOC entry(fixed bin, char(32) var, pointer, fixed bin) returns(bit(1)); success = ICE ALOC(key, nodename, slave p, error); key Possible values are: IK\$ANY If any slave has been started on this node, increment the allocation count of the first slave that was allocated and return the slave info pointer. If no slaves have been started, allocate one and return the information pointer. IK\$USE Use the SLAVE P argument and increment the allocation count for this slave. nodename The ASCII name of the target node. Not used if the key is IK\$USE. Leading and/or trailing blanks are ignored, and case does not matter. Type: char(32) var (input parameter) A pointer to information about the slave slave p ICE Subroutines Guide August 19, 1987

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	parameter i key value. The caller	ng allocated. Usage of this s dependent upon the supplied must submit this value in calls to ICE_ALOC, ICE_PCL
	Type: point	er (input/output parameter)
error	Results. P	ossible values are: Operation complete.
	E\$MSLV	Maximum number of slaves allowed per user has been exceeded.
	E\$NETE	Network Error
	E\$RLDN	Remote Line is Down
	E\$NSLA	No slaves available
	E\$BPAR	Parameters are invalid
	E\$RSNU	Remote system not up
	Type: fixed	bin (output parameter)

ABNORMAL-CONDITIONS:

None.

7 ICE GETB - Get BITs From Remote Node

FILE: <D7DAT5>SYSLIBSRC>ICES>ICE GETB.SPL

DESCRIPTION:

ICE_GETB gets a specified number of bits, from the node on which a slave has been previously allocated.

The memory to get may exist in any segment which is accessible to the caller. However, unless the source address is a DTAR 1 (shared) segment, the memory is obtained from the address space of the SLAVE, which serves no useful purpose.

A maximum of 32767 bits may be transferred in a single call. However, the bitstring is not allowed to span a segment boundary.

The source and destination addressess are "short" pointers and therefore may not "point" to an unaligned bit. The parameters "source_start_bit" and "dest_start_bit" are provided for this purpose. For clarification purposes, starting bit 1 is the leftmost bit of the word which the source and destination pointers address.

USAGE:

slave_ptr Pointer to the slave information as returned by ICE_ALOC.

Type: pointer (input parameter).

source_ptr Pointer to the source. The memory is obtained from the remote node, begining at this address.

Type: ptr options(short) (input parameter).

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source_start_bit The starting bit number within the source string.

Type: fixed bin (input parameter).

dest_ptr Pointer to the destination. The memory is placed at this location on the local node.

Type: ptr options(short) (input -> output).

dest_start_bit The starting bit number within the destination string.

Type: fixed bin (input parameter).

count bits The number of bits to assign.

Type: fixed bin (input parameter).

code Standard PRIMOS error code (E\$XXXX).

E\$PNTF Remote Procedure Not Found.

- E\$BCFG Network configuration mismatched between nodes.
- E\$VCGC The virtual circuit got cleared.
- E\$RLDN The remote line is down

E\$NETE Network Error

Type: fixed bin (output parameter).

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ABNORMAL-CONDITIONS:

In the event of a network error, the state of memory on the local system is undefined. A recovery mechanism which will restore the original data is not implemented in this procedure.

8 ICE GETW - Get Memory From Remote Node

FILE: <D7DAT5>SYSLIBSRC>ICES>ICE GETW.SPL

DESCRIPTION:

ICE GETW gets a specified number of 16-bit words, from the node on which a slave has been previously allocated.

The memory to get may exist in any segment which is accessible to the caller. However, unless the source address is a DTAR 1 (shared) segment, the memory is obtained from the address space of the SLAVE, which serves no useful purpose.

Any number of words may be transferred in a single call. However, a single call may result in multiple PRIMENET calls. This is due to an NPX limitation, memory must be transfered in blocks of 3K words. If a single block should span a segment boundary, an intermediate buffer is used to perform the memory transfer. This is also due to an NPX limitation.

USAGE:

- slave_ptr Pointer to the slave information as returned by ICE_ALOC.

Type: pointer (input parameter).

source_ptr Pointer to the source. The memory is obtained from the remote node, begining at this address.

Type: ptr options(short) (input parameter).

- dest_ptr Pointer to the destination. The memory is placed at this location on the local
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	node.	
	Type: ptr o	ptions(short) (input -> output).
count_words	The number	of words to move.
	Type: fixed	bin(31) (input parameter).
code	Standard PR	IMOS error code (E\$XXXX).
	E\$PNTF	Remote Procedure Not Found.
	E\$BCFG	Network configuration mismatched between nodes.
	E\$VCGC	The virtual circuit got cleared.
	E\$RLDN	The remote line is down
	E\$NETE	Network Error
	Type: fixed	bin (output parameter).

ABNORMAL-CONDITIONS:

In the event of a network error, the state of memory on the local system is undefined. A recovery mechanism which will restore the original data is not implemented in this procedure.

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9 ICE NAME - Return Node Name

FILE: <D7DAT5>SYSLIBSRC>ICES>ICE_NAME.SPL

DESCRIPTION:

ICE NAME is used to return the node name of the local node, or the node on which a specific slave has been allocated.

USAGE:

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<pre>dcl ICE_NAME entry(fixed bin, pointer, char(32) var, fixed bin) returns(bit(1));</pre>				
<pre>success = ICE_NAME(k)</pre>	ey, slave_p, name, error);			
key	May be one of the following: IK\$MINE Return local node name IK\$SLAVE Return node of slave			
	Type: fixed bin (input parameter)			
slave_p	The information pointer that identifies the slave. The node on which this slave has been allocated will be returned. This parameter is used only if the key is IK\$SLAVE.			
	Type: pointer (input parameter)			
name	The returned node name. Will be set to the null string if networks are not configured and the key is IK\$MINE.			
	Type: char(32) var (output parameter)			
error	Results. Possible values are: 0 Success completion.			
	E\$PTRM The Slave information pointe:	r		
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is invalid.

The key is invalid. E\$BPAR

ABNORMAL-CONDITIONS:

None.

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10 ICE PCL - Execute Remote Procedure Call

FILE: <D7DAT5>SYSLIBSRC>ICES>ICE PCL.SPL

DESCRIPTION:

This subroutine is the ICE interface to execute remote procedure calls. It passes the subroutine name and arguments to a previously allocated slave. The slave process then calls the specified procedure on the remote system. The procedure in question must be dynamically linkable, i.e, in a shared library or PRIMOS. Note that each argument to the local subroutine expands to a triplet of arguments to this subroutine. Please note that a maximum of 4K words may be transfered in one argument.

USAGE:

dcl ICE_PCL entry(fixed bin, pointer, char(32), fixed bin, fixed bin,
 [variable]) [returns fixed bin or fixed bin(31)];
[function =] or [call]
 ICE_PCL(key, slave p, procname, proclen, error,

argl, argllen, argltype, ..., argn, argnlen, argntype);

key	May be one of	the following:	
	IK\$PCL	This call is a p	procedure call.

IK\$FUNC This call is a function, the L-REG is returned.

Type: fixed bin (input parameter)

slave_p Pointer to the slave information as returned by ICE ALOC.

Type: pointer (input parameter)

procname The ASCII name of the procedure to call. Leading and trailing blanks are ignored and case does not matter. According to the current search rules, this procedure must be dynamically linkable.

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Type: char(32) (input parameter)

proclen The number of non-blank characters in procname.

Type: fixed bin (input parameter)

error The results of the remote call attempt. This parameter is NOT passed to the remote procedure. Possible values are:

- 0 Call was successfully transmitted and has been executed.
- E\$BPAR The caller's arguments to this procedure are invalid.
- E\$PNTF Remote Procedure Not Found.
- E\$BCFG Network configuration mismatched between nodes.
- E\$VCGC The virtual circuit got cleared.
- E\$RLDN The remote line is down
- E\$NSLA No Slaves Available
- E\$RSNU The remote system is not up yet.
- E\$MNPX Multiple hops in NPX. Slaves cannot allocate slaves.
- E\$NBUF No buffer space. Argn length is > 4K words.

Type: fixed bin (output parameter)

argN The Nth argument to the target subroutine. A maximum of 15 arguments are supported. All "argN" arguments are optional, they do not have to be supplied. However, for each "argN" that is supplied a corresponding "argNlen" and "argNtype" pair of arguments

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	must be supplied.
	Type: any type (any direction)
argNlen	The length of the Nth argument. This length is represented in its basic unit as identified by the argNtype (see below). May not exceed 4K words of data in either direction.
	Type: fixed bin (input parameter)
argNtype	An additive key that identifies the type of the argument being passed.
	May be one of the following:
	IK\$FB15 or IK\$I2 argN is a FIXED BIN(15) whose basic length unit is 1 16 bit word.
	IK\$FB31 or IK\$I4 argN is a FIXED BIN(31) whose basic length unit is 2 16 bit words.
	IK\$CHAR argN is a character string whose basic length unit is 8 bits.
	IK\$VCHR argN is a PL/1 character varying string. whose basic length unit is 8 bits. Do add an extra 2 characters for the length word, it will be taken into consideration.
	IK\$PTR or IK\$LOC argN is an address whose basic length unit is l 16 bit word.
	*** Note *** The length must represent the number of 16 bit words the pointer addresses NOT the size of the pointer itself.
	IK\$FL23 or IK\$R4 argN is a FLOAT BIN(23) whose basic length unit is 4 16 bit words.
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IK\$FL47 or IK\$R8 argN is a FLOAT BIN(47) whose basic length unit is 8 16 bit words. Plus: IK\$IN ArgN is an input argument. Input arguments are SENT to the slave. They are NOT passed back.

Plus:

IK\$OUT argN is an output argument. Output arguments are NOT sent to the slave, they are received.

Type: fixed bin (input parameter)

ABNORMAL-CONDITIONS:

The link may go down during this call or between calls (the slave is kept in waiting between successive calls); ICE tries to recover from this failure, but in the event of an unsuccessful recovery, the error can be reported to the user via the ERROR argument (see the E\$XXXX labels for other error conditions).

If the procedure to be called has any parameters declared with "*" extents, ICE PCL will not function properly. The compilers generate a dope vector for each parameter of this type. At this time, ICE will not generate these dope vectors. You may pass these dope vectors as arguments to ICE PCL. An insert file is supplied which describes these vectors, see DOPE.INS. later on in this manual. This insert file will be supplied in the directory SYSCOM.

If you declare ICE_PCL as entry options(variable), you must pass additive keys using the binary built-in function. For example:

binary(ik\$fb15 + ik\$in + ik\$out, 15)

At this time it is known why the compiler does not produce the correct result for additive keys. Using the binary function will always product the desired result.

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11 ICE PUTB - Put BITs On Remote Node

FILE: <D7DAT5>SYSLIBSRC>ICES>ICE PUTB.SPL

DESCRIPTION:

ICE PUTB moves a specified number of bits, to the node on which a slave has been previously allocated.

The memory to move may exist in any segment which is accessible to the caller. However, unless the destination address is a DTAR 1 (shared) segment, the memory is moved into the address space of the SLAVE, which serves no useful purpose.

A maximum of 32767 bits may be transfered in a single call. However, the bitstring is not allowed to span a segment boundary.

The source and destination addressess are "short" pointers and therefore may not "point" to an unaligned bit. The parameters "source_start_bit" and "dest_start_bit" are provided for this purpose. For clarification purposes, starting bit 1 is the leftmost bit of the word which the source and destination pointers address.

USAGE:

- slave_ptr Pointer to the slave information as returned by ICE_ALOC.

Type: pointer (input parameter).

source_ptr Pointer to the source. The memory is obtained from the local node, begining at this address.

Type: ptr options(short) (input parameter).

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source_start_bit The starting bit number within the source string.

Type: fixed bin (input parameter).

dest_ptr Pointer to the destination. The memory is placed at this location on the remote node.

Type: ptr options(short) (input -> output).

dest_start_bit The starting bit number within the destination string.

Type: fixed bin (input parameter).

count_bits The number of bits to assign.

Type: fixed bin (input parameter).

code Standard PRIMOS error code (E\$XXXX).

E\$PNTF Remote Procedure Not Found.

- E\$BCFG Network configuration mismatched between nodes.
- E\$VCGC The virtual circuit got cleared.
- E\$RLDN The remote line is down

E\$NETE Network Error

Type: fixed bin (output parameter).

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ABNORMAL-CONDITIONS:

In the event of a network error, the state of memory on the remote system is undefined. A recovery mechanism which will restore the original data is not implemented in this procedure.

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12 ICE PUTW - Move Memory To Remote Node

FILE: <D7DAT5>SYSLIBSRC>ICES>ICE PUTW.SPL

DESCRIPTION:

ICE PUTW moves a specified number of 16-bit words, to the node on which a slave has been previously allocated.

The memory to move may exist in any segment which is accessible to the caller.

The destination address may also be any legal segment. However, unless the destination address is a DTAR 1 (shared) segment, the memory is moved into the address space of the SLAVE, which serves no useful purpose.

Any number of words may be transferred in a single call. However, a single call may result in multiple PRIMENET calls. This is due to an NPX limitation, memory must be transferred in blocks of 3K words. If a single block should span a segment boundary, an intermediate buffer is used to perform the memory transfer. This is also due to an NPX limitation.

Any number of words may be moved in a single call. However, a single call may result in multiple PRIMENET calls. Due to an NPX limitation, memory must be moved in blocks of 3K words. Also, each 3K block must not span a segment boundary.

USAGE:

- slave_ptr Pointer to the slave information as returned by ICE_ALOC.

Type: pointer (input parameter).

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source_ptr	Pointer to t	the source; the memory to move.
	Type: ptr op	ptions(short) (input parameter).
dest_ptr		the destination. The memory is his location on the remote
	Type: ptr op	ptions(short) (input -> output).
count_words	The number o	of words to move.
	Type: fixed	<pre>bin(31) (input parameter).</pre>
code	Standard PR	IMOS error code (E\$XXXX).
	E\$PNTF	Remote Procedure Not Found.
	E\$BCFG	Network configuration mismatched between nodes.
	E\$VCGC	The virtual circuit got cleared.
	E\$RLDN	The remote line is down
	E\$NETE	Network Error
	Type: fixed	bin (output parameter).

ABNORMAL-CONDITIONS:

In the event of a network error, the state of memory on the remote system is undefined. A recovery mechanism which will restore the original data is not implemented in this procedure.

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13 ICE RLS - Release An ICE Slave

FILE: <D7DAT5>SYSLIBSRC>ICES>ICE RLS.SPL

DESCRIPTION:

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This procedure performs a specified number of releases on a slave. At any time when the count of allocations becomes zero, the connection between the slave and the master is broken, allowing the slave to be freed from the caller. If the resulting count of allocations is not zero, the connection is kept open.

USAGE:

dcl ICE_RLS entry(fixed returns(bit		r, fixed bin, fixed bin)
<pre>success = ICE_RLS(key, s</pre>	slave_p, cour	nt, error);
key	Possible val IK\$ALL	lues are: Release all slaves for all allocations.
	IK\$SPEC	Release the slave as identified by SLAVE_P
	Type: fixed	bin (input parameter)
slave_p		to the slave information e released. Not used for
	Type: pointe	er (input/output parameter)
count	count is zer and break th the slave ar	of releases to perform. If to, release all allocations ne virtual circuit between nd the master. Otherwise, ant" releases. Not used for

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Type: fixed bin (input parameter)

Results. Possible values are: 0 Operation complete.

- E\$PTRM Pointer Mismatch. The slave information pointer is not valid.
- E\$BPAR The count of allocations on this slave is less than the number of release to perform.
- E\$BVVC Problems in clearing the virtual circuit.
- E\$VCGC The virtual circuit got cleared before the slave could be released.
- Type: fixed bin (output parameter)

ABNORMAL-CONDITIONS:

None.

error

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14 DOPE.INS - Dope Vector Descriptor

FILE: <D7DAT5>SYSLIBSRC>INSERTS>DOPE.INS.SPL

DESCRIPTION:

This file contains the replacements and description of the compiler generated dope vectors for parameters with "*" or "variable" extents. Callers of ICE_PCL must supply dope vector descriptors any time a remote procedure has at least <u>one</u> parameter declared using a variable extent. This is true for arrays of any type, and character strings.

After the last declared parameter is passed, you will begin to pass dope vector descriptors. The vectors are positional and correspond identically to the calling sequence of the declared parameters. A dope vector must be passed for <u>each</u> parameter in the list. If a parameter does not have a variable extent, the value DV\$FILL may be passed. This value is passed to "fill" the space between parameters that have variable extents, the compilers do not examine it.

Although you must "fill in the gaps", it is not necessary to "fill" the entire parameter list with DV\$FILL once you have satisfied the requirement for the last variable extent parameter. This is better shown in the example below. You want to call the following remote procedure:

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print:
    proc(mbzl, string, userid, mbz2);
    dcl mbzl fixed bin;
    dcl string char(*);
    dcl userid char(32) var;
    dcl mbz2 fixed bin;
    put skip list('Message from', userid);
    put skip list(string);
    return;
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end print;

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Your procedure would be written as follows:
   main:
      proc;
      dcl error fixed bin;
      dcl slave p pointer;
      dcl string char(32);
      dcl mbzl fixed bin;
      dcl mbz2 fixed bin;
      dcl string_dv like dope_vector;
      dcl userid char(32) var;
      dcl ice pcl entry options(variable);
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         string dv.type = dv$char;
         string_dv.ndims = '0'b;
         string dv.size = 32;
         string = 'The slave will print this string.';
         userid = 'ME';
         call ice_pcl(ik$pcl, slave_p, 'PRINT', 5, error,
            mbzl, 1, binary(ik$fb15 + ik$in, 15),
            string, 32, binary(ik$char + ik$in, 15),
            userid, 32, binary(ik$vchr + ik$in, 15),
            mbz2, 1, binary(ik$fb15 + ik$in, 15),
            dv$fill, 1, binary(ik$fb15 + ik$in, 15),
            string dv, 2, binary(ik$fbl5 + ik$in, 15));
      . . .
   end main;
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Please note the use of DV\$FILL in the above example. It was required to insure that the descriptor for "string" was the fourth parameter in the list. Since "userid" does not have a variable extent and there are no more variable extent parameters in the list, DV\$FILL does not have to be supplied.

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ABNORMAL-CONDITIONS:

If you fail to supply these dope vectors, the condition "POINTER FAULT\$" will be raised in the slave process and the procedure call will fail.

If you are not sure how the called procedure has declared its parameters, passing a dope vector will always work, even if the parameters do not have "*" extents.

DECLARATION:

dcl l	<pre>dope_vector based, 2 type bit(8), 2 ndims bit(8), 2 size fixed bin, /*</pre>	Depends on data type: arithmetic declared Q*256+P string declarled length pictured address of edit sub area size of area otherwise the field is zero */
	<pre>2 bound(8), 3 lower fixed bin(31), 3 upper fixed bin(31), 3 span fixed bin(31);</pre>	/* only needed for arrays */ /* lower bound */ /* upper bound */ /* distance between elements */
<pre>%replace %replace %replace %replace %replace %replace %replace %replace %replace %replace %replace %replace %replace %replace %replace %replace %replace %replace</pre>	<pre>dv\$fill by 'FFFF'b4; dv\$pictured by '01'b4; dv\$fixedbin by '02'b4; dv\$floatbin by '03'b4; dv\$floatdec by '04'b4; dv\$floatdec by '05'b4; dv\$comfixbin by '06'b4; dv\$comfitbin by '07'b4; dv\$comfitdec by '08'b4; dv\$comfitdec by '09'b4; dv\$char by '0A'b4; dv\$char by '0A'b4; dv\$charvar by '0B'b4; dv\$bit by '0C'b4; dv\$bitalign by '0E'b4; dv\$pointer by '0F'b4; dv\$offset by '10'b4; dv\$area by '11'b4; dv\$file by '12'b4;</pre>	<pre>/* Filler */ /* Filler */ /* FIXED BINARY */ /* FIXED BINARY */ /* FLOAT BINARY */ /* FLOAT DECIMAL */ /* COMPLEX FIXED BINARY */ /* COMPLEX FLOAT BINARY */ /* COMPLEX FLOAT DECIMAL */ /* COMPLEX FLOAT DECIMAL */ /* COMPLEX FLOAT DECIMAL */ /* CHARACTER */ /* CHARACTER VARYING */ /* BIT */ /* BIT VARYING */ /* BIT ALIGNED */ /* POINTER */ /* OFFSET */ /* AREA */ /* FILE */</pre>

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%replace dv\$label by '13'b4; /* LABEL */
%replace dv\$entry by '14'b4; /* ENTRY */
%replace dv\$logical by '15'b4; /* FTN LOGICAL */

15 ICE KEYS.INS - Mnemonic Keys For ICE

FILE: <D7DAT5>SYSLIBSRC>INSERTS>ICE KEYS.INS.F77

DESCRIPTION:

Mnemonic keys used for ICE procedure calls.

ABNORMAL-CONDITIONS:

None.

DECLARATION:

INTEGER*2 IK\$ANY, IK\$NEW, IK\$USE, IK\$ALL, IK\$SPEC, C IK\$MINE, IK\$SLAVE, C IK\$PCL, IK\$FUNC, IK\$RTRY, IK\$I2, IK\$I4, IK\$CHAR, C IK\$VCHR, IK\$LOC, IK\$R4, IK\$R8, IK\$IN, IK\$OUT, C IK\$REF **PARAMETER IK\$ANY = 1** /* Any slave or new one */ PARAMETER IK\$NEW = 2 /* Allocate new slave */ /* Use specific slave */ **PARAMETER IK\$USE = 3** /* Release ALL Slaves */ PARAMETER IK = 4 /* Release specific slave */ PARAMETER IK SPEC = 5 /* Return local name node PARAMETER IK\$MINE = 6PARAMETER IK\$SLAVE = 7 /* Return node of slave

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PARAMETER IK\$PCL = 0 PARAMETER IK\$FUNC = 8192 PARAMETER IK\$RTRY = 16384	<pre>/* It's a procedure call */ /* It's a function, return L-REG */ /* Retry if slave not available */</pre>
PARAMETER IK\$I2 = 0 PARAMETER IK\$I4 = 256 PARAMETER IK\$CHAR = 512 PARAMETER IK\$VCHR = 768 PARAMETER IK\$LOC = 1024 PARAMETER IK\$R4 = 1280 PARAMETER IK\$R8 = 1536	<pre>/* argument is INTEGER*2 */ /* argument is INTEGER*4 */ /* argument is CHARACTER */ /* argument is CHAR VAR */ /* argument is a LOC */ /* argument is REAL*4 */ /* argument in REAL*8 */</pre>
PARAMETER IK\$IN = 128 PARAMETER IK\$OUT = 64 PARAMETER IK\$REF = 0	/* argument is INPUT */ /* argument is OUTPUT */ /* argument is a reference */

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16 ICE KEYS.INS - Mnemonic Keys For ICE

FILE: <D7DAT5>SYSLIBSRC>INSERTS>ICE KEYS.INS.SPL

DESCRIPTION:

Mnemonic keys used for ICE procedure calls.

ABNORMAL-CONDITIONS:

None.

DECLARATION:

***** %replace ik\$any by 1, /* Any slave or new one */ ik\$new by 2, /* Allocate new slave */ ik\$use by 3; /* Use specific slave */ ICE RLS %replace ik\$all by 4, /* Release ALL Slaves */ ik\$spec by 5; /* Release specific slave */ ***** %replace ik\$mine by 6, /* Return local node name */ ik\$slave by 7; /* Return node of slave */ %replace /* Call Type Keys */ ik\$pcl by 0, /* It's a procedure call */ ik\$func by 8192, /* It's a function, return L-REG */ ik\$rtry by 16384; /* Retry if slave not available */

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%replace /* Argument Type Keys */ /* argument is fixed bin */ ik\$fb15 by 0, ik\$i2 by 0, ik\$fb31 by 256, /* argument is fixed bin(31) */ ik\$i4 by 256, ik\$char by 512, /* argument is character */ ik\$vchr by 768, /* argument is character varying */ ik\$ptr by 1024, /* argument is a pointer */ ik\$fl23 by 1280, /* argument is float bin(23) */ ik\$r4 by 1280, ik\$fl47 by 1536, /* argument in float bin(47) */ ik\$r8 by 1536; /* argument is INPUT */
/* argument is OUTPUT */ %replace ik\$in by 128, ik\$out by 64, /* argument is a reference */ ik\$ref by 0;