

Re: Avoiding dupes when merging files

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> *Take a look at the Microsoft Text Driver – you can run SQL queries on the*
> *text file. Perhaps you can just query each file checking for dupes?*
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> *Or you could load the data into a datatable (or hash table type object?),*
> *with the PK set as the filename... if a duplicate shows up, the datatable*
> *should throw a duplicate PK exception which you would catch and ignore.*
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> *Or lastly... perhaps you should think of a different method of storing the*
> *data? Maybe a database is a better idea than text files?*
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Thanks for the fast reply. I have to use text files so that really is not an option. Any pointers or some sample code on how to use the datatable? I like the idea of being able to trap a duplicate OK error.

Bob