

Re: Shell to DOS

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Resolved the piping issue by creating a batch file and calling that directly.
Messy but it works.

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"Herfried K. Wagner [MVP]" <hurf-spam-me-here@xxxxxx> wrote in message news:OP7%23jjdUGHA.4884@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx

"ngr" <ngr@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx> schrieb:

I want to be able to shell to DOS to pipe the contents of something to a file which can then be read in by VB.

Example

Shell to DOS and then run ROUTE PRINT > FRED.TXT

return to VB and then open fred.txt to do something with that.

My attempts have so far failed as no piped file has been generated whereas it works directly from DOS.

You'll have to start "cmd" (or "%COMSPEC%") instead of your application because the '>' feature is a feature of the command shell. You can pass the command string to "cmd" in the command line.

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