



## Total Print Cost Management

# SafeCom™ Accounting

In many companies it is difficult, if not impossible, to keep track of print related costs. With printer applications becoming increasingly user friendly and more employees having direct access to the Internet from their PCs, the amount of print is increasing dramatically, as are print costs.

The unique SafeCom™ Output Management System brings a new dimension to network printing by redefining printing as a pull rather than a push process. This means that print jobs are not sent directly to the output tray of the printer, but are "pulled" by the user while standing at the SafeCom™ equipped printer, giving the user full control of the output. Because pull printing also enables user identification, there are multiple track records of all printer usage. The time and location of printing is monitored, as well as information on the amount printed and the person who pulled the document.

### SafeCom™ Tracking

SafeCom™ enables organizations to monitor print costs at two levels. The SafeCom™ Tracking counts pages accurately, making it possible to extract page count information from the SafeCom™ Administration database. Page count information can be used for assets management, and can provide vital data for:

- *managing total costs of ownership*
- *better equipment utilization; provides data on printer load*
- *permits print job tracking*

Tracking is performed on all print output processed by SafeCom™. Individual data is recorded for each print job during print submission. Additional verification using hardware based print statistics ensures the accuracy of page count information.

Statistics extracted from the SafeCom™ accounting database can be used to generate reports. This information can also be used for entry into existing accounting systems. In addition, the Administration Program can be used to generate reports containing text and graphics of collected data, and to indicate a variety of print utilization statistics.



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SafeCom™ Accounting Software brings significant value to the print cost management functions of SafeCom™. This software enables administrators to set printer quotas for users or departments, allocate printing costs to clients or projects, and track printer usage patterns in great detail. A variety of charging schemes can be configured to reflect varying prices on printer models, different media types, paper size, use of color and even the time of day.

SafeCom™ Accounting Software is a modular software package consisting of server software and add-on modules that enable accounting functions in all aspects of the corporate network, including Macintosh clients and desktop printers. Another module permits users to charge print costs to different billing codes in connection with client jobs or specific projects. This information can be exported directly into the invoicing system of the organization.

A number of reports can be generated by SafeCom™ Accounting Software, giving system administrators a detailed basis for evaluating the corporate print strategy. Printer statistics provide the system administrator with a unique tool for evaluating the degree of utilization of existing printers, as well as their placement and requirements for future investment. Reports can be generated automatically on a regular basis, and specified recipients can receive a daily/weekly/monthly report on the printer activity of the organization.

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