



## FTM system will be disabled November 14

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On November 14, 1999, IT Services will disable the mainframe File Transfer Manager (FTM) system. After that date, customers will not be able to use the FTM client software to transfer files on the mainframe or to send files as attachments to distributed e-mail customers. Additionally, the gateways between MSG and the distributed e-mail environment will no longer be able to convert distributed e-mail attachments to FTMs for MSG recipients. The disablement **does not** affect the ability to send and receive e-mail attachments within the distributed e-mail environment.

The FTM system provided the ability to transfer files across the mainframe. Now that interpersonal messaging at TI has moved off of the mainframe, Tiers have other methods of transferring files including sending files of less than 30MB as attachments in e-mail messages and using publicly available server shares. Thus, FTM is no longer needed. The disablement is in line with TI's stated priority for reducing dependence on proprietary systems and applications.