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Msg 128 on 12/28/84 from KEN STRITZEL to ALL about VERDIR.LBR BOMB

The program VDIR.COM that is being distributed in VERDIR.LBR is a real time bomb. Although the DOC file says that this program produces a vertical directory listing. When run, the program destroys all data on the system and directory tracks and fills them with garbage. Then it prints a vulgar message to the effect that "you have just been had!" Anyone that has this file on their system should erase it! I can not imagine the mentality behind this program, but it should not be allowed to damage any RCPM or innocent user who happens to download it. Another case for NOT distributing .COM files without the source code. Thanks to Robert Blacher, sysop of the Computer Connection, Washington DC, who brought this bomb to my attention. Flanders, NJ RCPM, 201+584-9227