

### **INSTALLATION GUIDE**

Thank you for purchasing GEM - the professional hard disk system for the PCW! These simple, step-by-step instructions will get you started with your new GEM drive in the shortest possible time. Please read them carefully!

Your GEM drive system consists of several parts:

Drive Unit
PCW GEM Adaptor
Mains Cable
Product Registration Card
Hard Disk Support/LocoScript Upgrade Disk
LocoScript Installation Booklet

Please check that you have all the above parts before continuing. Then fill in and mail the Registration card back to CIRTECH - this will enable us to give you the best product support and updates for your GEM System.

YOU MUST HAVE LOCOSCRIPT VERSION 2.32 OR HIGHER. IF YOU HAVE AN EARLIER VERSION THAN THIS THEN UPDATE IT USING THE UPDATE PROGRAM SUPPLIED ON THE HD SUPPORT/LOCOSCRIPT UPDATE DISK WITH YOUR GEM - SEE THE LOCOMOTIVE INSTALLATION BOOKLET SUPPLIED WITH GEM. - YOU MUST HAVE THE CORRECT VERSION START OF DAY LOCOSCRIPT DISK TO BEGIN THE INSTALLATION ON! DO THE UPDATE FIRST, BEFORE INSTALLING GEM!

#### **CONNECTING GEM**

First MAKE ABSOLUTELY SURE you disconnect your PCW from the mains! You should then remove the GEM drive unit from it's protective plastic covering and position it next to your PCW (to the RIGHT hand side of an 8256/8512 or the LEFT

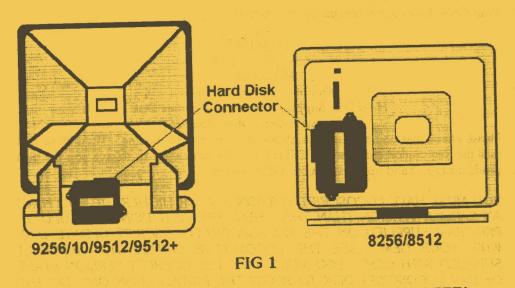
hand side of a 9512/9512+ or underneath a Transmet with the PcW9256/10). Make sure you choose a level and stable position for GEM and that the ventilation slots on the rear and underside of the GEM case are clear. If you have a PcW9512+, remove and discard the plastic cover over the PcWs expansion port (it's held on by two screws).

Now thoroughly clean the metal contacts on the expansion port. Use a SOFT, white eraser and/or methylated spirit until the metal contacts are shiny. Next, take the GEM Adaptor from it's protective pack (remove the two screws taped to it) and plug it onto the expansion port, making ABSOLUTELY SURE it is properly seated and the correct way round (see drawings). Once it is securely plugged on, attach it to the PCW using the two screws supplied.

If you have a second printer AND you ordered GEM with a Parallel Port, you should now connect it to the parallel port on the GEM Adaptor using a standard PC type printer cable (available from Cirtech). Connect the other end of the cable to your

printer - normally attached using spring clips.

You should now plug the mains cable into the rear of the GEM drive and connect it to a suitable mains outlet.



# THE HARDWARE INSTALLATION IS NOW COMPLETE!

## INSTALLING THE SOFTWARE

Plug you PCW and GEM into the mains and switch both on. You should hear a faint whirring noise as the hard disk starts to spin up - after a few seconds this noise will reduce and the Hard Disk System logo will appear on the screen followed by the

Hard Disk SETUP program. This is a one-time installation program that will guide you through installing LocoScript onto the GEM drive. You will be asked a couple of simple questions about your PCW and the setup you require - just carefully follow

the on screen prompts.

Once the setup is complete, your GEM System will start up LocoScript or CP/M (one will be the MAIN startup system, the other the ALTernate system). You should now startup CP/M from GEM (remember to hold down the ALT if you set CP/M as the ALTernate system. Once the CP/M A> prompt appears, you can use the extensive Hard Disk HELP system resident on the GEM drive. Just type:

#### HDHELP USING

... and press RETURN, this will get you started using HELP.

If you prefer, you can get a full printed copy of the HELP contents by using the CP/M program PRINT.COM (just type PRINT at the CP/M A> prompt, and press RETURN). You can also print a copy of the HELP contents using LocoScript by inserting the file HDHELP.DAT into a NEW LocoScript document (using the INSERT TEXT function f1)

#### **IMPORTANT**

If, in the future, you update your LocoScript to a NEWER version, you may need an Hard Disk System Update. Contact CIRTECH for details.

### THE SOFTWARE INSTALLATION IS NOW COMPLETE!

#### PARALLEL PORT

Printing from LocoScript

LocoScript will recognise the presence of the GEM Parallel Port as 'with Centronics interface' when it starts up (watch the LocoScript startup screen). You can select the printer and the port it is connected to using the 'f6' SETTINGS option in the Disk Manager.

You must have the correct drivers and character sets on your LocoScript start of day disk to be able to use an additional printer (see your LocoScript manual for details on

using other printers). Printer drivers are available from Locomotive Software.

Printing from CP/M programs

CP/M will also recognise the Parallel Port when it is started up as the 'Centronics addon'. You can use the Port from most CP/M programs (MicroDesign, Mini Office, etc.) simply by selecting the port from the print options menu within these programs. If a program that you are using has no facility for switching printer ports, you can use the CP/M program DEVICE.COM to select the port you require BEFORE you start up the program. To select the Parallel Port Adaptor just type:

## DEVICE LST:=CEN

... and press RETURN

This will switch all printer output from the PCW printer to the printer connected to the Parallel Port. You can now start up your program and print on the printer connected to the Parallel Port!

If you use graphics programs such as MicroDesign2/3 or ProScan, then you can improve their printing speed by using a port driver supplied on the GEM support disk - see CP/M PRINTING in the HDHELP system for more information.

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