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TOPIC -----

My PowerBook disk drive makes strange noises when it's reading a disk. I installed DOS Mounter and everything was fine until I mounted my first DOS disk. Since then, the drive has made this strange (and loud) noise. What's wrong?

DISCUSSION -----

According to Dayna Communications tech support, the stepping routine for the drive is stored in PRAM. While the noises are normal, they are only supposed to happen when the drive is reading a DOS disk. Unfortunately, the stepping routine is supposed to return to its default for normal Macintosh operating system disks, but it doesn't.

Dayna Communications fixed this problem as of version 3.02 of DOS Mounter. DOS Mounter 3.02 or greater -- including DOS Mounter Plus -- will correctly reset the stepping routine.

To locate a vendor's address and phone number, use the vendor name as a search string.

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