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TOPIC ---

I have a Power Macintosh 9500 and a LaserWriter Select 310. I cannot print to
the LaserWriter Select 310 when connected using the printer port in the
AppleTalk control panel. When I go into the Chooser and select the printer
port, I get a message that says "Laserwriter Select 310 cannot be used on the
Printer port while AppleTalk is active. Do you want to make AppleTalk inactive?"
It makes no difference whether I click "OK" or "Cancel" in the dialog box. I get
the same message again when I go back to select the printer port in the Chooser.
What can I do to correct this?

DISCUSSION ---

This is a known issue with versions 1.0, 1.01, 1.06, and 1.07 of Open Transport
on the Power Macintosh 7200, 7500, 8500, and 9500. This problem is caused by a
delay when the printer port is released by the LocalTalk driver, and it can
occur with other serial printers. The delay in releasing the printer port
increases if you repeatedly click through the dialog boxes in the Chooser or
repeat the procedure over and over.

This was fixed in version 1.1 and later of Open Transport. You should update to
version 1.1, or later of Open Transport.

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