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CD Multimedia Kit For PC Compatibles: Fuzzy Or Distorted Sound

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TOPIC -----

The following notice is being shipped to about 3000 customers who purchased the CD Multimedia Kit For PC Compatibles (M2160LL/A) and who have selected their three free CD titles.

DISCUSSION -----

Problem

The Spectrum 16 software shipped with your M2160LL/A CD Multimedia Kit for PC's may be a version which installs an incorrect setting to the Sound Card. This can cause the sound quality of an audio CD to be distorted and fuzzy. This can be easily corrected as described below.

The Spectrum 16 software disk has the Version marked on the reverse side. "Ver. 1.46B" needs the correction. (Version 1.46C is correct and will install the correct setting.)

Procedure

Follow the normal procedures outlined in the User's Guide to install the Spectrum 16 and QuickTime for Windows software. Then, edit one line of the "MV.INI" file in the Windows directory, as described here:

Escape from Windows to the DOS shell, then change to the Windows directory:

```
C:\> CD WINDOWS [enter], get:  
C:\WINDOWS\> (prompt)
```

Edit the MV.INI file which sets the audio gain at startup by typing:

```
EDIT MV.INI [enter]
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The system should respond with a special screen (compared to DOS) showing the few lines of the MV.INI program. The next-to-last line

should appear:

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CDGainIncrease=YES
```

Use the cursor keys to position the cursor one space to the right of the last letter of "yes". Then use "backspace" ("delete") to obliterate the "YES", then type in its place "NO", as in:

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CDGainIncrease=NO
```

Save and Exit the editor:

Get into the FILE menu (press ALT to activate this menu) and select:

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SAVE [enter]
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Then, get back into the FILE menu again (press ALT to activate this menu) and select:

```
EXIT [enter]
```

You are returned to the DOS shell.

Re-boot your computer and return to Windows. Use the Media Player (in Accessories window) and the Spectrum Pocket Mixer (in Multimedia Tools window) to control the play of an audio CD. The system should now work with clear sound reproduction.

This fix is permanent on your hard disk. If you have to reinstall the Spectrum 16 software from the disk, repeat this procedure.
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