

E-mailing from *CLIP*

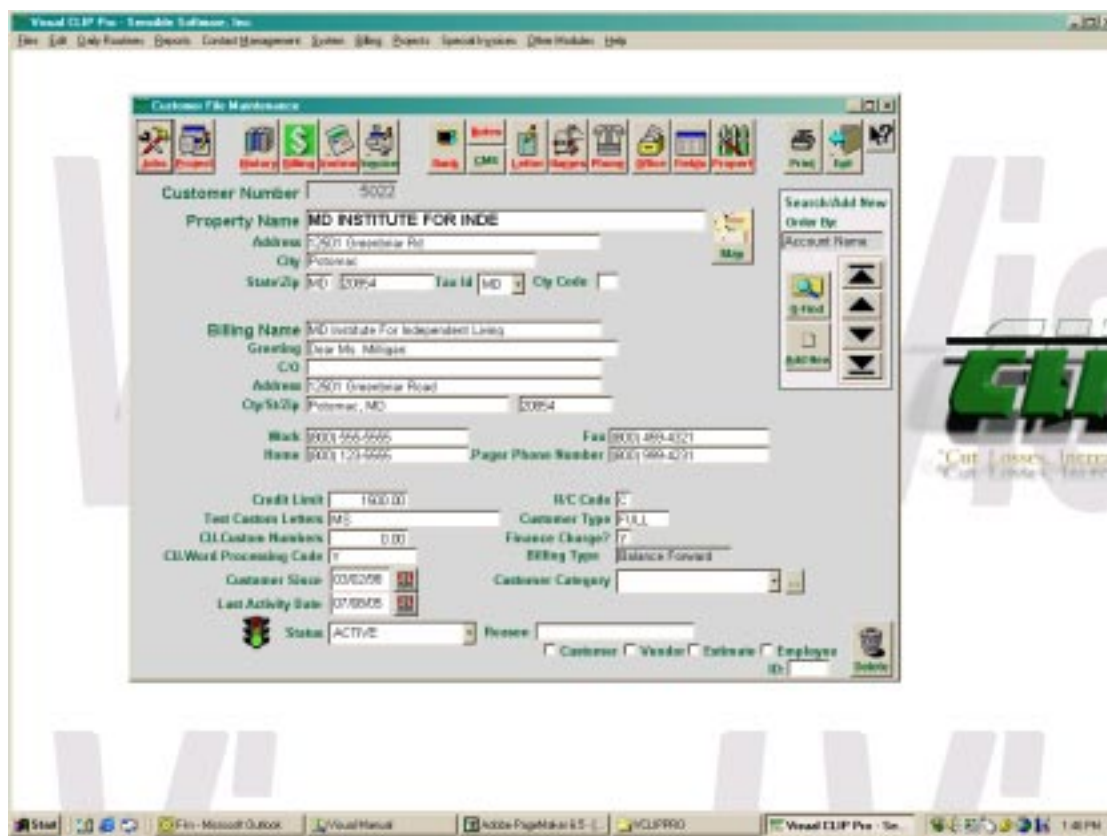
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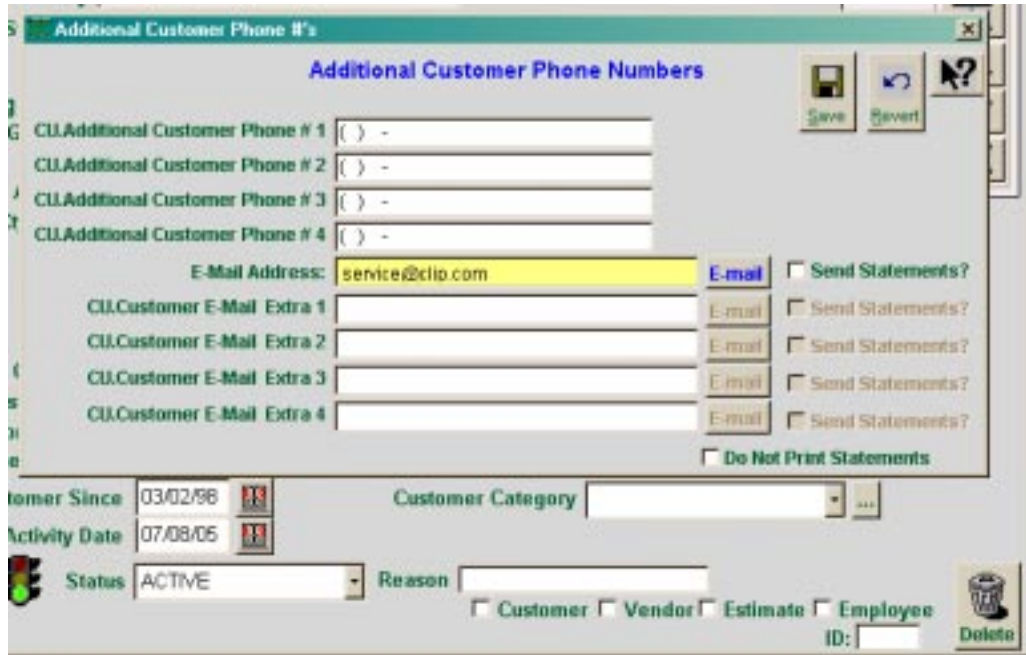
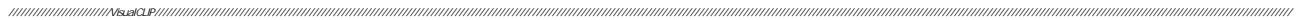
Using the Microsoft Application Program Interface (MAPI) *CLIP* can email directly to your clients. There are two ways that emailing can happen in *CLIP*.

Note: We have included a basic trouble shooting section at the end. You still may require the expertise of your local computer technician to set up Outlook correctly with your mail server/ISP.

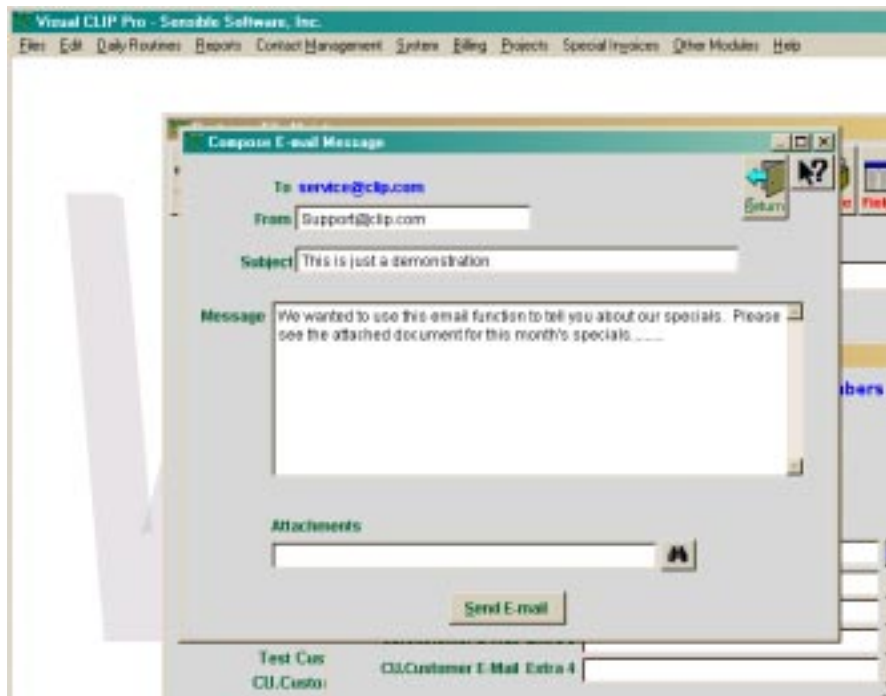
1. Creating an email and sending it to your client.

From the File Maintenance, choose a customer you want to email to and click on the "Phone" button.





Enter an email address in one of the 5 fields available. Click on the Email button to bring up the Email dialog form.



Enter the "From" information, subject and message. You can attach a file to this email as well.

Press the "Send Email" button and **CLIP** will connect to your MAPI email application and send the email in the same way you normally send emails.

Since **CLIP** will be sending the email through your standard Email application, it will appear in your "Sent Items" just like a normal email.

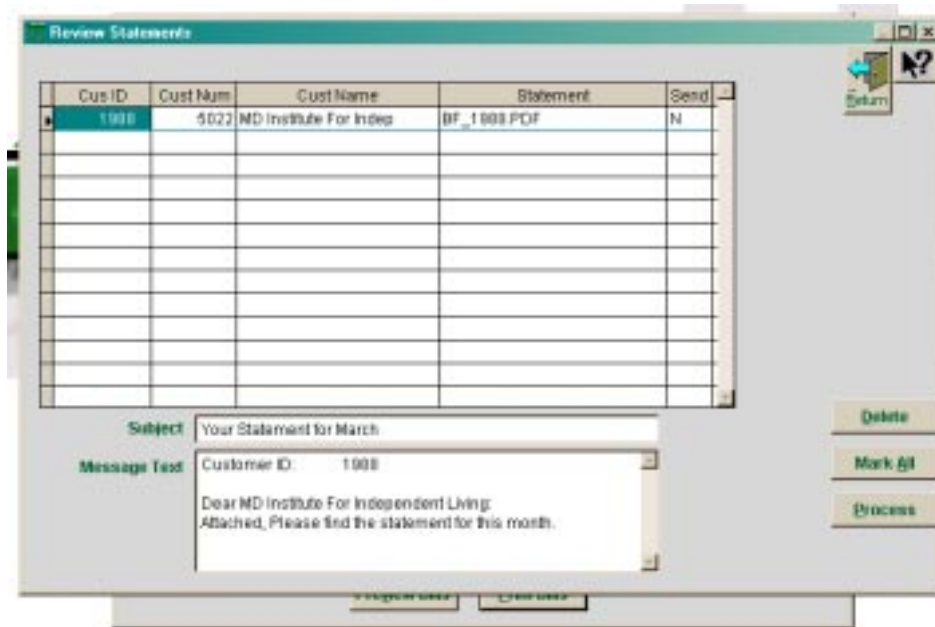
Use this function to quickly communicate with your customers.

2. Emailing Statements and Invoices

CLIP can automatically email your statements and invoices to your customers whenever you perform a billing function.

To do this, simply fill in the correct email address in the customer's record and check the box next to it that says "Send Statement". This instructs **CLIP** to send the statement via email after printing. You can test this by entering your own email address in the clients record, checking the "Send Statement" option and then producing a Mid-Month bill for the customer.

Simply go to Billing/Mid-Month Bill and choose "By Individual", then click on Print Bills and choose the customer you entered your email address in.



Now **CLIP** will allow you to choose which statements you want to email. You can choose only some statements to be sent or you can click on the "Mark All" button to mark them all to be processed. You can enter the billing message and subject that all the emails will have.

When you are satisfied, click on the "Process" button to start sending the emails.....



Since the statement is sent as an attachment in PDF form, it will have all of the graphics, labels, titles and look of a printed page.



Your customers will need to have the Acrobat Reader installed on their system. This reader is free and most machines already come with it on and functioning. If your customers need to get it, it is available from www.adobe.com/support/downloads/main.html

This function works with either Balance forward or Open Invoice type customers.

If you combine this function with processing the credit cards automatically, your billing can be done completely paperless!

If you do not want to print a statement for this customer, click on the "Do Not Print Statement" check box and *CLIP* will not print a statement. We recommend that you do this after you have emailed statements and both you and your customers are comfortable with the process.

3. Troubleshooting the email functions.

Because *CLIP* relies on the MAPI functions of Windows (similar to printer drivers) sometimes Windows is not set up correctly with the proper profiles, firewalls and other email options.

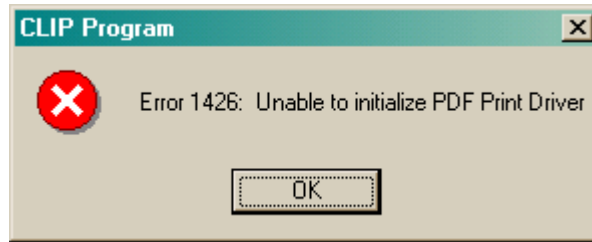
We have found the best option is to use OUTLOOK as your email application. If you are using OUTLOOK XP, it will ask you if you give it permission to send emails from *CLIP*. This permission can be granted for up to 10 minutes but after that it reverts to blocking the use. Thus, every time you email from *CLIP* (or any other program) Outlook will ask you if you give it permission. Microsoft built this into Outlook to avoid viruses from using Outlook to send out their messages. Unfortunately, this hampers the other programs that want to use Outlook legitimately.

Another thing to note is that technically you do not have to have Outlook or any other MAPI email program open for *CLIP* to be able to send emails but it seems to work better if you have your email application open before attempting to email out of *CLIP*.

A note to AOL users. Because AOL does not use the standard MAPI functions of Windows, we have found that most of the time Emailing out of *CLIP* through AOL causes problems. A solution to this is to set up your Outlook or Outlook Express to email through AOL, then *CLIP* can effectively communicate with Outlook and it communicates with AOL through the POP3 server, bypassing the AOL interface.

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Please consult your local computer technician if you are having problems. Again we are using Windows functions over which we have no control.



If you receive the above error, your PDF driver is not registered. You can usually register it by hand if necessary by doing the following:

From Windows:

Click on Start

Click on Run

Type in:

`regsvr32 C:\CLIP\cdintf.dll`

(substitute your own path and directory for wherever you placed your *CLIP*)

This usually solves this problem. If it does not for you, please call us and let us help you.

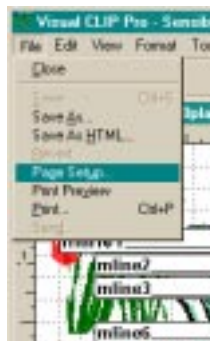
Color or Black and White?

If the pdf files you send are in black and white instead of in Color, it could be the setting of your printer driver for the report. If you are sending this from Mid-Month Billing, check the report file by doing the following:

From the Dot Prompt

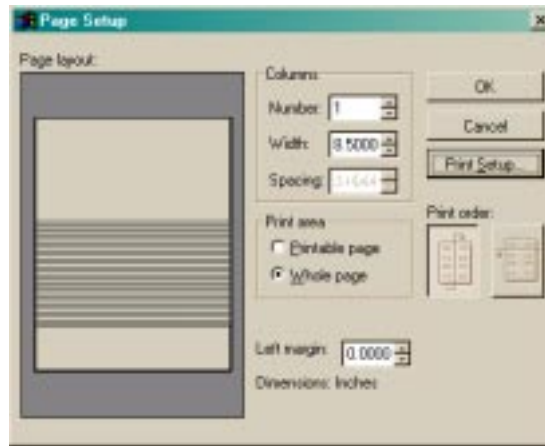
Type `MODIFYREPORT b0plain`

Now pull down the File Menu and click on Page Setup



Now click on the Print Setup

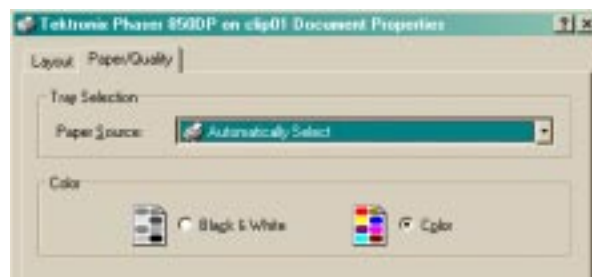
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Now make sure that your printer driver is set to color here.



Click on Properties



Then save your changes and exit the Dot Prompt by pressing "Enter" on a blank line.

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