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promise of better restartability in those long running utilities and a Repair Block facility.

There were several sessions on ADABAS performance and a lot of valuable information was shared. Some areas of performance that many users have found to be important are:

1. ADARUN parameters (specifically the LBP parameter);
  2. Disk Placement;
  3. File Placement;
- and let us not forget,
4. Applications Design.

I would also like to ask again for any users who would like to participate in the Large Data Base Special Interest Group to contact me.

## ADABAS/VM Special Interest Group Announcement

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The VM/370 and VM/SP operating systems are important components of the IBM environment. Because of that, Software AG has provided some tailoring of the ADABAS product for the VM community. Many ADABAS installations are heavily committed to VM and at the same time are interested in using all aspects of the ADABAS software. In some cases, the VM architecture demands changes to or enhancements of the Software AG product line. In order to focus on these needs and to provide a clearinghouse for the latest news, etc., within the ADABAS/VM community, a Special Interest Group for ADABAS/VM sites is being formed. Tim McGovern of MIT has offered his services as Chairperson of the SIG.

At the present time, ADABAS/VM sites are scattered far and wide, and our numbers are still rather small. Consequently, for the next six months to a year, the agenda for the SIG will be to:

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- Identify all ADABAS/VM sites, develop a profile of those sites and establish at least an informal ADABAS/VM communication network;
- Enlist individuals from ADABAS/VM sites to write articles about their experiences with the ADABAS/VM environment for the Newsletter to increase the visibility of the product;
- Encourage ADABAS/VM sites to actively discuss and present VM-related issues and requirements at regional and national users' groups;
- Develop a network of sites for the sharing of ADABAS/VM related tools, concepts, problems and solutions;
- Petition the Change/Enhancement Coordinator to allow

ADABAS/VM related problems to be listed separately in the C/E listings for easier identification by VM sites.

All known ADABAS/VM sites will receive a mailing with information related to the SIG and its agenda. If you have a VM site, are using ADABAS/VM and haven't received this mailing yet, it's possible you were overlooked. If so, you should contact the SIG Chairperson as listed below. Any other sites which are interested in receiving ADABAS/VM SIG news are also urged to contact:  
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