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Subject: trouble with veth device in combination with long veid

Posted by [Nils Domrose](#) on Wed, 06 Jun 2007 15:14:57 GMT

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Hi,

we are facing a problem with veth device in combination with long veids.  
if we configure a veth device as described in the wiki, we are unable  
to start that VE with the following error:

```
xnetadm:/etc/vz/conf# vzctl start 249104
Starting VE ...
VE is mounted
Setting CPU units: 23945
Configure meminfo: 655360
Set hostname: vz-netnagios
File resolv.conf was modified
Configure veth devices: veth104.0
debug veid 24910 vznetcfg
debug veid 24910 vznetaddroute
/usr/sbin/vznetaddroute: line 6: /etc/vz/conf/24910.conf: No such
file or directory
According to /etc/vz/conf/24910.conf VE has no veth IPs configured.
/usr/sbin/vznetcfg exited with error
VE start failed
Stopping VE ...
VE was stopped
VE is unmounted
```

Note that we are echoing the \$VEID in vznetcfg and vznetaddroute for  
debugging reasons and we noticed that the last character is cut off.  
This is also the reason why the scripts fail. We have not yet figured  
out if vznetcfg is called by vzctl directly.

This does not happen if we use a shorter veid like 104.

Maybe someone has an idea what is causing the issue.

Here is the vzctl log output.

```
2007-06-06T16:23:28+0200 vzctl : VE 249104 : Starting VE ...
2007-06-06T16:23:28+0200 vzctl : VE 249104 : VE is mounted
2007-06-06T16:23:28+0200 vzctl : VE 249104 : Setting CPU units: 23945
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2007-06-06T16:23:29+0200 vzctl : VE 249104 : VE is unmounted
```

kernel version:

```
Linux xnetadm 2.6.18-028stab033.1-ovz-smp #1 SMP Thu May 31 10:29:27
CEST 2007 x86_64 GNU/Linux
```

vzctl version:

```
xnetadm:/usr/lib/vzctl/scripts# vzctl --version
vzctl version 3.0.16-5dso1
```

Nils

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Subject: Re: trouble with veth device in combination with long veid  
Posted by [kfh](#) on Thu, 07 Jun 2007 07:45:59 GMT  
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As 6 characters are used for static content (VEID= + '\0'), only 5 characters are left. Your VEID (249104) is 6 characters long.

Apply the following patch, and you should be running.  
(An alternative is to limit your VEID in the range 100 to <= 99999)

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{
int ret;
- char buf[11];
+ char buf[12];
char *argv[] = {VZNETCFG, "init", "veth", NULL, NULL};
char *env[2];
```

(Last line is empty)

Regards,

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Subject: Re: trouble with veth device in combination with long veid  
Posted by [dev](#) on Thu, 07 Jun 2007 09:32:39 GMT  
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Why have you chosen 12 instead of 11?  
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Thanks,  
Kirill

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Subject: Re: trouble with veth device in combination with long veid  
Posted by [kfh](#) on Thu, 07 Jun 2007 12:08:26 GMT  
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On Thursday den 7. June 2007 11:32:39 Kirill Korotaev wrote:

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Regards,  
Kristian.

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Subject: Re: trouble with veth device in combination with long veid  
Posted by [Thorsten Schifferdeck](#) on Thu, 07 Jun 2007 15:02:32 GMT  
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Hi,

or export the right VEID from /proc/vz/veth:

```
/proc/vz/veth :
MAC_VE0 veth_dev_on_VE0 mac_dev_VE dev_VE VEID deny
```

Attached a workaround patch, to solve this issue.

Regards,  
Thorsten

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