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Subject: Re: [PATCH] Virtual ethernet tunnel  
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From: Pavel Emelianov <xemul@openvz.org>  
Date: Wed, 06 Jun 2007 19:11:38 +0400

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Eric Biederman proposed the name "etun" which stands for "Ethernet TUNnel".

The goal of the pair device is to pass network packets between namespaces.  
That reminds me the well known "pipe" which pass data between processes.

All network devices have a name describing what they do : "eth" for  
ethernet,

"dummy" for a device doing nothing, loopback, ...

Perhaps, a name like "epipe" or "npipe", which reflects what does the device, is more appropriate ?

-- Daniel

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AFAICS, ibmveth.c registers ethX devices, while this driver registers vethX by default, so there is no much conflict IMHO.

But if you still don't like it, I would suggest 'ethun' and later we will come with iptun for IP tunneling. Is it ok for you?

Thanks,  
Kirill

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