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TOPIC -----

I keep getting the message "Sorry, an error of type 15 occurred" when my PowerBook 170 hard disk spins up while I'm on battery power.

DISCUSSION -----

A Type 15 System Error is a segment loader error. The segment loader is a portion of the operating system that loads pieces of a program into memory. These pieces contain program instructions. Programs on the Macintosh can be split into many small pieces (with a usual maximum size of 32,768 bytes) so that not all the program is required to be in memory at once. The segment loader is used to load a piece of a program when it is needed. If it can't load that piece, then the program can no longer run, and a System Error 15 is reported.

Try reinstalling your system software from the disks that came with your computer, or a backup copy if you have one.

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