Identification
System Operator Shutdown Command
shutdown
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Purpose
"As the sun sinks slowly into the west, the system operator types the shutdown command." (BQ.1.01).

Usage
To shut down Multics the system operator types
shutdown

Implementation
Data segments "operator_comm" and "request_name" are described in BX.15.05. They contain the structures op_comm and op_req respectively. The shutdown command takes the following steps:

1. Create an event channel and place its name in rp->op_req.ref_chn.
2. Place the name "shutdown" in rp->op_req.req_name
3. Signal the shutdown event over the channel whose name is in p->op_comm.op_req_chn.