## Oracle GoldenGate OGG-01411 Cannot convert input file

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If you have been using GoldenGate for a long time you might have converted the trail file from one version to a lower version in the Pump process. This might have worked in the past, but no longer works with the latest versions of GoldenGate. I know that you can no longer convert trail format within the pump in GoldenGate 11.2.1 and later (especially in 12.1 and 12.2). Any trail file conversion must be done in the Initial Extract Process.

If you try to convert the trail file in the Pump process you will get the following error message:

2016-09-13 12:51:35 ERROR OGG-01411 Cannot convert input file /u02/ggtrails/dirdat/la000001 with format RELEASE 12.1 to output file /u02/ggtrails/dirdat/ra000000 with format RELEASE 11.2.

It is only possible now to convert to a lower trail file format in the Initial Extract. This will result in a problem on the Replicat as well. The Replicat will abend with a OGG-01332 error as shown here:

ERROR OGG-01332 File /u02/ggtrails/dirdat/ra000000, with compatibility level 4, is not compatible with the current software version's compatibility level of 3. Modify the file writer's parameter file to generate the appropriate format using the FORMAT LEVEL 3 option.

Again, this cannot be fixed and will result in the need to start from scratch. Sorry.