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Subject: Custom build steps -issue on Windows

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Hi,

I recently encountered an issue with Custom build steps. I have a 'post-link' task 'when WIN32':

```
mt.exe -manifest manifest.xml -outputresource:$(EXEPATH);1
```

More frequently, than not, I received Linking error since mt.exe could not open the linked .exe -file for modification. Now I discovered that the problem is Windows Security, that opens the .exe file for scanning viruses immediately after linker has closed it. Consequently, mt.exe is unable to access it. Luckily it seems that adding an exception for folder c:\upp\out in Windows Security to prevent scanning its contents removes this issue.

Best regards,

Tom