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Posted by [lundman](#) on Fri, 03 Mar 2006 05:22:41 GMT

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Posted by [mirek](#) on Fri, 03 Mar 2006 08:27:25 GMT

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Yes, sorry. Something we have not ever considered. But I guess, it should be fixed. Thanks for the tip

BTW, normal arrangement is to put include paths (or library paths) to your build method - that way compilation will not depend on existence of environment variable. In other words, idea is that build method should serve as an interface between your code and the platform (including the compiler).

Mirek

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Posted by [lundman](#) on Sat, 04 Mar 2006 12:08:45 GMT

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Posted by [mirek](#) on Sat, 04 Mar 2006 12:56:43 GMT

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You can also consider separate build method if having it there all the time would hurt...

Mirek
