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1002-05-86 Kimberly J Burch* (burch@pegasus.montclair.edu), 1 University Ave, Montclair, NJ 07043, and Earl Glen Whitehead, Jr. (egw1@pitt.edu), 301 Thackeray Hall, Pittsburgh, PA 15260. Totally Matchable Graphs.

Let G be a graph with vertex set V(G). G contains a *perfect matching* if there exists a set of disjoint edges of G such that the union of their vertices is V(G). G is said to be *totally matchable* if for every edge e in G, there exists a perfect matching of G containing e. We present several types of graphs and prove that they are totally matchable. We also examine necessary and sufficient conditions for a graph to be totally matchable. (Received September 02, 2004)