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Subject: Sense Codes for delivery subsystem errors that have to be reported with SCSI status

## 1. Introduction

The operating environment of the iSCSI protocol creates certain new error possibilities. Of particular note in this connection are the following three reasons -

- its architecture allowing multiple TCP connection "sessions" simulating "logical fat pipes",
- - its reliance on the de-facto Internet transport protocol, TCP, whose checksum robustness is considered potentially suspect,
- enabling new storage network configurations with TCP and/or iSCSI "proxies" between a SCSI initiator and SCSI target, whose robustness again may be questionable.

Every effort is being made by the iSCSI working group to use currently defined ASC/ASCQ values wherever they precisely identify the nature of the transport problem in generic terms. It is also realized that some of the error possibilities are indeed new, and some currently defined ASC/ASCQ values are too closely identified with SPI to be usable in iSCSI. This document proposes four new ASC/ASCQ values to be referenced in the iSCSI specification. However they could be used for other delivery subsystems that face error that can be clearly associated with the delivery subsystem.

## 2. Proposed codes

The following table summarizes the new SCSI ASC/ASCQ codes to be approved for referencing in iSCSI.

ASC	ASCQ	Device types	Description
0C	0C	DTLPWRSOMCAEBK	Write error - Unexpected unsolicited data
0C	0D	DTLPWRSOMCAEBK	Write error - Not enough unsolicited data

Under general condition "Write error" (0C/00):

Under general condition "Unrecovered Read error" (11/00):

ASC	ASCQ	Device types	Description
11	13	DTLPWRSOMCAEBK	Read error - Failed retransmission request

Under general condition "SCSI Parity error" (47/00):

ASC	ASCQ	Device types	Description
47	05	DTLPWRSOMCAEBK	Protocol service CRC error