To: T10 Technical Committee
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Subject: 02-471r1 SSC-2 Rewind on logical unit reset

Revision History

Revision 0 (2 November 2002) First revision

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Related Documents

ssc2r08d - SCSI Stream Commands - 2 revision 8d

Overview

Some tape drives rewind automatically on reset, while others stay in place. There is no standard means to determine the behavior of a tape drive.

A field in a mode page is needed to indicate which behavior the tape drive employs (and possibly set its behavior, if the drive offers the field as changeable).

Suggested Changes

Add a field to the Device Configuration mode page for this.

8.3.3 Device Configuration mode page

The Device Configuration mode page (see table 1) is used to specify the appropriate sequential-access device configuration.

Table 1 — Device Configuration mode page

| Bit Byte | 7 | 6 | 5 | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 | 0 |
|-------------|------------------------------------|-----------------------------|----------|----------|--------|--------|-------|-------|
| 0 | PS | PS Reserved PAGE CODE (10h) | | | | | | |
| 1 | PAGE LENGTH (0Eh) | | | | | | | |
| 2 | Reserved | | | | | | | |
| 3 | ACTIVE PARTITION | | | | | | | |
| 4 | (MSB) WRITE BUFFER FULL RATIO | | | | | | | |
| 5 | READ BUFFER FULL RATIO (LSE | | | | | | (LSB) | |
| 6 | (MSB) | | | | | | | |
| 7 | | WRITE DELAY TIME (LSB) | | | | | | |
| 8 | DBR | BIS | RSMK | AVC | so | CF | RBO | REW |
| 9 | GAP SIZE | | | | | | | |
| 10 | | EOD DEFINED | | | SEW | SWP | BAML | BAM |
| 11 | (MSB) | | | | | | | |
| 13 | BUFFER SIZE AT EARLY WARNING (LSB) | | | | | | | (LSB) |
| 14 | SELECT DATA COMPRESSION ALGORITHM | | | | | | | |
| 15 | | Reserved | REWIND (| ON RESET | ASOCWP | PERSWP | PRMWP | |

The REWIND ON RESET field is defined by table 2. The REWIND ON RESET field, if implemented, shall be persistent across logical unit resets.

Table 2 — Rewind on reset field definition

| Code | Description |
|------|---|
| 00b | Vendor-specific |
| 01b | The logical unit shall position to the beginning of the default data partition (BOP 0) on logical unit reset. |
| 10b | The logical unit shall maintain its position on logical unit reset. |
| 11b | Reserved |