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Subject: ANSI INCITS 330-2000 Defect Report

Dear Ms. Donovan:

My company, ITCN, Inc., just purchased ANSI INCITS 330-2000 Reduced Block Commands through Global Engineering Documents. This standard was written by the T10 committee. The standard has several obvious errors in it. I was surprised to find these errors considering the apparent rigor surrounding ANSI standards approval and the fact that this standard has been available since April, 2000.

The following are the errors I found:

Major Errors:

1. Page 9, Section 5.1, Table 3 -- The IMMEDIATE, PROGRESS, PERCENT/TIME, and INCREMENT bits are referenced in the text, but their position is not shown in the table. It is impossible to correctly format this command from the standard without this information.
2. Page 20, Table 17 -- Byte 4 of the Command Descriptor Block is defined twice. Which is correct? If the PARAMETER LIST LENGTH is correct, no explanation is provided in the Section 6.2 text.

Minor Errors:

1. Page 13, Section 5.4.1 -- Word processor message "Error! Reference source not found." appears in the text. This probably refers to Table 14.
2. Page 14, Section 5.5 -- Word processor message "Error! Reference source not found." appears in the text. This probably refers to Table 10.
3. Page 19, Section 6.1 -- In paragraph 5, the NACA bit is shown in Table 16, not Table 15.
4. Page 19, Section 6.1 -- In paragraph 8, the sentence "Support of other bits and fields in the INQUIRY command is not defined by this standard." does not make sense.

These errors also appear in the final draft of the standard found at:
<ftp://ftp.t10.org/t10/drafts/rbc/rbc-r10a.pdf>

Surely these errors have been noted by someone else in the last two years. Do you have any correction information (especially regarding the "Major Errors")?

Regards,

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