Revision 0:

- Initial version

1. Background

ADT Revision 10 and T10/369r3 contain inconsistent use of terminology for port operating parameters. In some cases the existing text states that Login IUs are to be transmitted containing default operating parameters, which would cause the ports to operate at 9600 baud, Maximum ACK Offset of 1, and Maximum Payload Size of 256. The intent of the text is actually that the port operate at these parameters during negotiation, while attempting to negotiate the highest supported values for the parameters.

2. Changes to ADT Rev. 10

3.1 Definitions

Add the following definitions:

3.1.x default starting parameters: The maximum values of operating parameters of which the port is capable.

3.1.y operating parameters: The current settings under which the port is operating, including but not limited to maximum ACK offset, maximum payload size, and baud rate.

4.7.2.2 Retryable error

List item 5) contains the phrase:

“...set the operating parameters of the interface to default settings, ...”

Change this to:

“...set its operating parameters to default, ...”

4.7.2.7 Error recovery for symbol framing errors

The first paragraph contains the phrase:

“...set the operating parameters of the interface to default settings, ...”

Change this to:

“...set its operating parameters to default, ...”

6.5.5 Port logout information unit

List item d) does not begin with a verb, unlike the other list items:

Port operating parameters revert to default settings following receipt of the ACK IU for the Port Logout IU (see 4.2).

Change this to:

Set port operating parameters to default following receipt of the ACK IU for the Port Logout IU (see 4.2).

3. Changes to ADT as modified by T10/369r3

4.3.2.2.1 State description

The first paragraph contains the sentences:
Following a hard reset or a Port Logout condition, the Port Login IU shall be sent using default parameters (see 4.2). If the port is already logged in, the Port Login IU shall be sent using current operating parameters unless the port is initiating the exchange as part of error recovery.

Change this to:

Following a hard reset or a Port Logout condition, the port shall set its operating parameters to default before sending the Port Login IU (see 4.2). If the port is already logged in, the current operating parameters shall not be changed before sending the Port Login IU. However, if the port is initiating the exchange as part of error recovery, the port operating parameters shall be changed to default if required elsewhere in this standard.

4.3.3.3.1 State description

The first paragraph is:

If the port transitioned to this state due to an Initiate Login message, the port shall send a Port Login IU in a new exchange. If the AOE bit is set, the Port Login IU shall be sent with default starting parameters as the contents.

Change this to:

If the port transitioned to this state due to an Initiate Login message, the port shall initiate a new Port Login exchange. If the AOE bit is to be set in the Port Login IU, the port shall set its operating parameters to default before sending the Port Login IU.

The second paragraph is:

If the port transitioned to this state due to a negotiation error, the port shall send a Port Login IU in a new exchange with default starting parameters as the contents.

Change this to:

If the port transitioned to this state due to a negotiation error, the port shall set its operating parameters to default and initiate a new Port Login exchange.

The fifth paragraph is:

If the port receives a Port Login IU with the ACCEPT bit set to one with parameter values that are different from the last Port Login IU sent, the port shall send a NAK IU with a status value of NEGOTIATION ERROR. The port shall initiate a new Port Login exchange with default starting parameters as the contents.

Change this to:

If the port receives a Port Login IU with the ACCEPT bit set to one with parameter values that are different from the last Port Login IU sent, the port shall send a NAK IU with a status value of NEGOTIATION ERROR and abort the Port Login exchange. After the NAK IU is transmitted, the port shall set its operating parameters to default and initiate a new Port Login exchange.

Note: Waiting for the NAK to be sent may require a new state, but that is beyond the scope of this proposal.