With the acceptance of the SECURITY PROTOCOL IN/ OUT proposal by T10 and the acceptance of the TRUSTED RECEIVE/ SEND proposal by T13, there is a need to coordinate the assignment of Security Protocol field values between the two committees. I anticipate that most “protocols” will want to be used with both SCSI and ATA commands but all protocols will only want to define their details in one spot, and that spot may not even be a T10 or T13 standard. Even if a protocol is intended for just one of the interfaces, however, I feel it is important not to assign the same Security Protocol field value to two different protocols.

I propose that Security Protocol field assignments may be initiated by a proposal in either T10 or T13 committee and that a related proposal be made to the other committee the next month to reserve the Security Protocol field value. Since many T10 member companies are also T13 members, I would expect the proposing company to also sponsor a proposal in the other committee. If such a proposal is made by a company that is not a member of both committees, should we expect the T10/ T13 liaison person to sponsor a proposal to the other committee? Another option is to have the appointed T10 and T13 document editors coordinate the assignments. How should such a responsibility be formalized?