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To INCITS T10 Committee
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Subject SMC-3 Command table and INQUIRY clean-up

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Revision History

Revision 0 – Initial document.

Related Documents

smc3r02 – SCSI Media Changer Commands - 3 revision 02
spc3r23 – SCSI Primary Commands - 3 revision 23
T10/04-313r1 – SPC-3: Mandatory REPORT LUNS Support
T10/05-074r1 – SPC-3 SPC-4 SES-2 SMC-3 Command requirements

Overview

The media changer portions of 05-074 have been languishing in the SMC-3 working group for some time. This proposal re-introduces the SMC-3 portions of 05-074 taking into account changes in SMC-3 since the writing of the original proposal.

1. SCSI Controller (SCC) commands (VOLUME SET, SPARE, REDUNDANCY GROUP, MAINTENANCE) are allowed on logical units with almost all peripheral device types, including independent medium changers (SMC), so the SCC commands need to be listed in the SMC-3 command table.
2. REPORT LUNS should be marked as mandatory in SMC-3 as requested by 04-313r1 and as noted in SPC-4 table D.2.
3. The new REPORT/SET PRIORITY and REPORT/SET TIMESTAMP commands should be optional for SMC-3.
4. Clearer rules are needed regarding how media changers set the MCHNGR bit in standard INQUIRY data for SPC-3 and earlier standards.

Changes to draft standard

5.1 Introduction

A media changer is a device server that returns 08h (i.e., medium changer) in the PERIPHERAL DEVICE TYPE field (see SPC-23) of the standard INQUIRY **command-response** data.

Communication with a data transfer device may use the same service delivery subsystem as the media changer device, or a different SCSI service delivery subsystem. Data transfer devices that are not SCSI devices are also permitted. Multiple data transfer devices may be attached to a media changer.

If a data transfer device served by the media changer is a SCSI device, the data transfer device may be addressed on a SCSI service delivery subsystem though the same SCSI target port as the media changer but with a different LUN. The data transfer device may also be addressed through independent SCSI target ports and any LUN on the same or a different service delivery subsystem.

The READ ELEMENT STATUS command response data page for each data transfer element may provide the identity of the data transfer device serviced by a media changer device. This support is optional since a data transfer device is not required to be a SCSI device.

A media changer shall set the MCHNGR bit in the standard INQUIRY data to zero (see SPC-3).

Editor's Note: Which generations of SAM-x and SPC-x are the primary references for SMC-3? SPC-3 still contains the MCHNGR bit in the standard INQUIRY data. However SMC-3 may reach publication before SPC-4 does.



6.1 Summary of commands for media changers

Table 3 – Commands for media changers

Command name	Operation code	Type	Reference
Editor's Note: Not showing all rows.			Editor's note: Change SPC-2 to SPC-3 except For RELEASE & RESERVE
LOG SENSE	4Dh	O	SPC-2
MAINTENANCE IN	A3h/00h – 04h ^a A3h/06h – 09h	X ^c	SCC-2
MAINTENANCE OUT	A4h/00h – 05h ^a A4h/07h – 09h	X ^c	SCC-2
MODE SELECT (6)	15h	O	SPC-2
RECEIVE DIAGNOSTIC RESULTS	1Ch	O/M ^b	SPC-2
REDUNDANCY GROUP IN	BAh	X ^c	SCC-2
REDUNDANCY GROUP OUT	BBh	X ^c	SCC-2
RELEASE(6)	17h	O	SPC-2
REPORT LUNS	A0h	⊖ M	SPC-2
REPORT PRIORITY	A3h/0Eh ^a	O	SPC-3
REPORT TARGET PORT GROUPS	A3h/0Ah ^a	O	SPC-3
REPORT TIMESTAMP	A3h/0Fh ^a	O	SPC-3
REQUEST VOLUME ELEMENT ADDRESS	B5h	O	6.11
SET DEVICE IDENTIFIER	A4h/06h ^a	O	SPC-3
SET PRIORITY	A4h/0Eh ^a	O	SPC-3
SET TARGET PORT GROUPS	A4h/0Ah ^a	O	SPC-3
SET TIMESTAMP	A4h/0Fh ^a	O	SPC-3
SPARE IN	BCh	X ^c	SCC-2
SPARE OUT	BDh	X ^c	SCC-2
TEST UNIT READY	00h	M	SPC-2
VOLUME SET IN	BEh	X ^c	SCC-2
VOLUME SET OUT	BFh	X ^c	SCC-2
WRITE ATTRIBUTE	8Dh	O	6.13
WRITE BUFFER	3Bh	O	SPC-2
Key:	M	= command implementation is mandatory.	
	O	= command implementation is optional.	
	X	= command implementation requirements detailed in reference.	
^a This command is defined by a combination of operation code and service action. The operation code value is shown preceding the slash and the service action value is shown after the slash. ^b If the ENCSERV bit is set to one in the standard INQUIRY data (see SPC-3), the device server shall support this command. If the ENCSERV bit is set to zero, the device server may support this command. ^c If the SCCS bit is set to one in the standard INQUIRY data (see SPC-3), SSC-2 specifies the requirements for the device server supporting this command. If the SCCS bit is set to zero, the device server shall not support this command.			