

To: X3T10 ATA Working Group

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Subject: Annex F

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In the last month, there has been a lot of email discussion on the contents of Annex F. This document is an attempt to focus the discussion and come to a resolution.

I think the issue is not a single issue, but a number of related issues.

1. Do we need to address this before requesting the document to be forwarded. If the answer is no, then we can "fix it" when we resolve letter ballots. <I personally would like to see it fixed now.>
2. Does this information belong in the ATA-2 standard. If the answer is no, we can delete Annex F and be done. <I think it provides useful information for new users of ATA and, because it is an informative Annex, does not distract from the standard.>
3. How much information do we want in the document? The options are to define this information for one, two, three, four or ?? ports. A secondary question is: with or without the interrupt vectors. <I believe the original Annex should have had interrupt usage information and this information should be added.> <If we can agree on ports 3 and 4 definitions, I believe this would help the industry as a whole, but I also understand that this is "allocating" a fixed resource and could become a major issue in the industry. My net result is: I'll agree with the majority...>
4. Is this an informative Annex or ?? <I believe this Annex is and always will be informative, as ATA-2 can be and is used in non-x86 systems.>
5. Should we add operating system support? With revisions numbers? <I believe that adding this information is in appropriate to a device interface.>

In the following pages, I have tried to come up with what I believe are the set of most likely options. I suggest that we choose the best fit and then, if necessary, modify it to get the desired results.

I believe I can easily incorporate any changes into the document today.

<Option 1: Leave it alone>  
 <DIRECTLY FROM 0948DR2J>

Annex F. IBM PC AT<sup>(tm)</sup> Interface Addresses  
 (informative)

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This information is provided for information only. There is no requirement that an implementation utilize these addresses.

Interface Number	CS0- Decode	CS1- Decode
1	01F <sub>x</sub> h	03F <sub>x</sub> h
2	017 <sub>x</sub> h	037 <sub>x</sub> h
3	00F <sub>x</sub> h	02F <sub>x</sub> h
4	007 <sub>x</sub> h	027 <sub>x</sub> h

Table 21 - Typical PC Interface Address Assignments

<Option 2: Only incorporate 2 port definitions as these can be agreed upon and add interrupt numbers.>

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2	0170h-0177h	0376h-0377h	15 or 10

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3	01E8h-01EFh	03EEh-03EFh	12 or 11
4	0168h-016Fh	036Eh-036Fh	10 or 9

Table 21 - Typical PC Interface Address Assignments

<Option 3B: Fix all 4 port definitions and add interrupts. Make interrupts fixed.>

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