

X3 SUBGROUP LETTER BALLOT

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Reference Documents: ISO/IEC JTC 1 N 3862 Proposal for a New Work Item: SCSI Specifications for OMC R/W	LB Doc #: X3T10/96-014r0 LB Date: 2/2/96 Project: N/A Ballot Period: 21 days
Ballot Closes High NOON DATE: 2/23/96 Email preferred Fax second choice Other mail forms third choice	Return to: Gene E. Milligan Seagate Technology OKM 251 P.O. Box 12313 10323 West Reno (West Dock) Oklahoma City, OK 73157 FAX: 324-3794 gene_milligan@notes.seagate.com

Subject: Proposal for a New Work Item (NWI): SCSI Specifications for Optical Memory Card Reader/Writer

Statement: A committee in Japan referred to as WG9 has developed a proposal for the subject specification and proposed the N 3862 NWI being balloted for assignment to SC 17 as a new project which would result in the publication of an addendum to ISO/IEC 9316 SCSI-2. The X3T10 IR recommends that the proposed work item is not within the scope of SC 17 and is within the scope of SC 25; that the project if approved be assigned to SC 25 with co-operation and liaison with SC 17/WG 9. The full text of the recommendation is attached. The required response time and the late availability of N 3862 necessitates this accelerated letter ballot

Question: Do you approve the recommended response to NWI proposal N 3862?

YES¹ [] **NO**² [] Note: Your vote is a Organization's vote unless you checked: [] **INDIVIDUAL VOTE**

Signature: _____

Date: _____

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Principal [] **Alternate** []

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Vote on ISO/IEC N 3862 Proposal for a NWI SCSI Specifications for Optical Memory Card Reader/Writer to develop an addendum to ISO/IEC 9316 SCSI.

Q.1 - NO - Comment: We would agree to the definition if certain adjustments were made to the definition:

a) Peripheral interface standards and SCSI interface standards in particular are within the scope of SC 25, not SC 17. However SC 17 does have the scope for the Optical Memory Cards. Consequently the definition should be changed to propose the work be assigned to SC 25 with co-operation and liaison with SC 17.

b) ISO/IEC 9316 SCSI has been withdrawn and therefore can not have an addendum added. Two alternatives are possibilities. The proposed specification perhaps should be an addendum to ISO/IEC 9316-1 SCSI-2 which replaced 9316. However current work is primarily based upon the family of SCSI-3 draft standards. Perhaps the proposed work should be another addition (separate standard with normative references to the other SCSI-3 standards) to the SCSI-3 family of standards. Review of the 31 July 1996 preparatory work would be appropriate to determine which of these alternatives would be best. The review might also reveal that some of the desired specifications were more appropriate for a profile.

Q.2 - YES - Comment: We support the addition to ISO/IEC JTC 1 but not to SC 17. It should be assigned to SC 25 with co-operation and liaison with SC 17.

Q.3 - YES - Comment: Within SC 25.

Q.4 - YES - Comment: We can commit an editor to either assist an editor from Japan (which we understand to be the source of a proposed contribution) or to be the editor according to whichever course the committee may prefer. However we prefer to nominate a specific name after the scope of the task is further defined.

Q.5 - YES - Comment: Our initial contributions would not be SCSI Specifications for OMC R/W but instead the 9316-1 SCSI-2 base standard and/or the family of SCSI-3 drafts.

Q.6 - YES - Comment: The contributions have already been provided through SC 25.