To: T10 Membership  
Re: Bare Bones Voltage Bias  
Date: July 14, 1997

Appeal for Any Reduction, which would be Goodness

Bare Bones Budget  
Reason that this is needed is because present maximum voltage bias is 125mV.

Minimum output voltage swing is 270mV.

Only a 2.16 to 1 ratio.

Normal ratio I could find in any application notes was about a 10 to 1 ratio.

32-40mV range is attainable

8.8mV for +/- 10uA input leakage  
6mV for twisted pair cable cross-talk  
10mV for receiver input offset  
6.2mV for receiver overdrive and margin

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Changing the termination bias voltage to 36mV will affect both the termination & output driver designs.

A 25mV drop in the termination bias voltage only requires a terminator to change. We are better off leaving the output driver designs unchanged.