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To: T10

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Subject: New device type code for bridging expanders

The functional requirements for a new class of SCSI devices, bridging expanders, are described in EPI. This new device class presently includes LUN Bridges and SCSI Switches. Since these devices have fully functional SCSI ports, they are capable of supporting all the basic features of SCSI protocol and additional features unique to the device class.

EPI needs to reference the specific device type code for this new class of SCSI devices. Since there is presently no device type code assigned, this document is a request for the T10 working group to reserve the specific device type code to be used for bridging expanders.

Forwarding EPI depends on the timely completion of this request.

Thanks for your prompt attention.