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Dear John,

I am writing to clarify statements which appeared in the X3T9 minutes of June and July 1989 regarding the Disk Test and Measurements standards committee, X3B7.1 . We are currently working on a draft of the Diagnostic Command Set. X3B7.1 will be finalizing our draft at the Aug 21-23, 1989 meeting in Phoenix, held at the Red Lion La Posada resort. Anyone may attend this meeting.

With regard to the June 1989 minutes, section 6.5: "Disk companies have not been strong participants in ... X3B7." X3B7.1 has representatives from IBM, Digital, Hitachi, Maxtor, Quantum, HP, Seagate, CDC, etc. X3B7.1 also has representatives from test equipment manufacturers such as ACT Technology, Cambrian, Flexstar, I/O XEL, etc. Interested users and integrators have also begun appearing on the committee.

The IEEE P1140 testability bus is of great interest, enclosed please find a self addressed stamped envelop. I would greatly appreciate a copy of the cover, with address and telephone number, or a contact within P1140.

With regard to the July 1989 minutes, section 1. [Spence] "Also X3B7 is basing its proposal on SCSI-1, not SCSI-2." Just for the record, X3B7.1 is currently referencing X3T9.2/86-109, SCSI-2, revision 10. While no one can prevent people from speaking their mind at standards meetings, some effort should be made to keep sheer speculation out of the minutes.

X3B7.1 encourages participation, and hopes to have the Diagnostic Command Set ready for review in the fall of 1989. Our upcoming meetings are planned for October 1989 and February 1989 in the Phoenix area. Additional working group meetings for DCS will be arranged at the Aug 21-23 X3B7.1 meeting.

sincerely

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