



Memo to: John Lohmeyer
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Memo from: Robert Snively

Date: May 3, 1990

Subject: Editorial Error in SCSI-2 Rev 10C about Write Protect

Dear Mr. Lohmeyer:

In Section 9.3.3 (Page 9-39) of the SCSI-2 draft standard X3T9.2/86-109 Revision 10C, there is a very clear specification of the behaviour of the WP bit in the Device Specific Parameter Field:

For the MODE SENSE command, a write protect (WP) bit of zero indicates that the medium is write enabled. A WP bit of one indicates that the medium is write protected.
For The MODE SELECT command, this field is ignored.

In Section 8.3.3 (Page 8-62), the corresponding paragraph is inadvertently shortened to:

A write protect (WP) bit of zero indicates that the medium is write enabled. A WP bit of one indicates that the medium is write protected.

The paragraph in Section 8.3.3 should be replaced with the corresponding paragraph of 9.3.3 to properly clarify the behaviour of the WP bit during both MODE SELECT and MODE SENSE commands.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Robert N. Snively".

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