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Dear Jeff,

It has come to my attention that Western Digital Corp. is distributing a document that falsely claims to be a "draft proposed American National Standard of Accredited Standards Committee X3". The cover page on the document also mimics the style and format of an actual draft proposed American National Standard.

I understand the document contains a proposal to extend the AT Attachment interface to support CD-ROM devices. This may be a worthwhile endeavor, but the proper procedure is to submit such a proposal, clearly identified as a company or individual proposal, to the appropriate X3 subgroup; in this case, X3T9.2.

By distributing this document with a cover page containing false and misleading information, I am concerned people not closely involved with the X3 standards development process would incorrectly conclude that the document is indeed a nearly completed standards project within X3. This could lead to bad business decisions and possible litigation.

To correct any misconceptions and to protect Western Digital, I am requesting that Western Digital correct the false and misleading statements on the cover of this document and distribute a letter to the organizations that received the misidentified document explaining the actual status of the document. That is, it has not been proposed or submitted to X3 and is not a draft proposed American National Standard.

Since you are the Principal member of X3T9.2 from Western Digital, I have addressed this letter to you. I realize that you may not have anything to do with this document, but I trust you will be able to forward this letter to the appropriate person or persons within Western Digital. Thank you for your cooperation in this matter.

Sincerely,



John B. Lohmeyer, Chair X3T9.2

cc: Jean-Paul Emard, Director X3 Secretariat
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