Minutes SAS PHY WG conference call, February 16, 2006

Attendance

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Avago
AMCC
FCI
Hewlett Packard Co.
Infineon Technologies
Intel Corp.
IBM
LSI Logic Corp.
Marvel
Maxtor Corp.
Molex Inc.
PMC-Sierra
Seagate Technology
Vitesse Semiconductor

16 people present

## Agenda

1. Yuri and Galen - provide a draft specification first cut for the external cable. 06-104r0 SAS-2 External link crosstalk budget suggestion and analyses [Yuriy Greshishchev and Galen Fromm]

http://www.t10.org/ftp/t10/document.06/06-104r0.pdf

Discussed alignment of crosstalk sources and the affect on the summation. Should apply to a 10-meter cable rather than specifically mini 4x. Galen indicated that existing mini 4x meet the –36dB number.

Barry will review the power summation original proposal for verification of existing specification number and equation.

Noise floor may be an issue to achieve a 10-meter cable as well as the insertion loss ratio. Yuriy to simulate at 3G for next call.

How do we know if a 10-meter cable won't work in a 3G system? Can this be tested?

2. All - Will a drive, expander, or initiator at 3Gbps that is SAS only accept SSC at 3Gbps?

No input yet.

3. All – Investigate impact on SSC on design. A few details are mentioned under SSC Considerations.

Desired to incorporate into 6G specification.

How to handle aggregation? Data stream coming in with no SSC versus going out with SSC would not have enough aligns to allow the output to be slowed by SSC. This may be able to be controlled by the SAS credits for flow management, but how complicated is the control scheme?

SSC appears to be an "all or none" proposition unless the clock design in the silicon allows differentiation. Need feedback from expander designers.

EMI compliance concerns if SSC gets turned on or off based on individual component support. Would swapping in a non-supporting target such as SAS 1.1 drive have an impact of regulatory compliance?

4. New items

SAS (50 ohm common mode load) versus SATA (open circuit) 2V transient being specified with different loads. Is it an issue, especially regarding internal cables and white box applications? Discuss on next call.

5. Schedule Next call on March 2, 2006 (2 weeks).

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