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To: ANSI X3T9.2 SCSI Committee

From: Ciprico Inc.

Subject: Proposed 16 bit SCSI

Ciprico Inc. supports the release of the ANSI SCSI-2 specification as currently defined. Further delays to consider new proposals, would only serve to slow down SCSI implementations.

The 16-bit P cable proposal should be deferred to the SCSI-3 release. The proposal should be carefully evaluated technically, to insure that the current 8-bit SCSI-1 and SCSI-2 operating modes are not compromised. This work would insure minimal migration problems for users of the current SCSI-1 and SCSI-2 standards.

The need for sustained SCSI transfer rates in excess of 10 MB/sec is already at hand, and Ciprico is implementing using the 32-bit - A-B cable specification.

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