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## **INCITS Approves SCSI/ATA Translation Project**

**Washington, DC – February 13, 2006** – The InterNational Committee for Information Technology Standards (INCITS) has approved a new project proposal submitted by INCITS Small Computer System Interface (SCSI) Storage Interfaces (T10) Technical Committee. The project is titled “Information Technology – SCSI/ATA Translation – 2 (SAT-2)”, and the project number is 1826-D.

The proposed SAT-2 standard is the second-generation of the draft SAT standard that is nearing completion. These standards provide standard mappings and behaviors through a translation layer to make ATA class devices appear to support SCSI command set features to the host. Additionally, the SAT-2 standard will add new features from the SAS-2, ATA-8, and/or SATA-IO family of standards. Features being considered for inclusion are: supports for ATAPI devices, ATA security feature sets, ATA register mapping, ATA removable media, ATA8-ACS feature sets, SATA port selectors and SATA port multipliers, and other related features to be determined during the development phase of the project.

The SCSI Storage Interfaces (T10) Technical Committee is chaired by John Lohmeyer, LSI Logic, and develops standards and technical reports on I/O interfaces, particularly the series of SCSI standards. Lohmeyer said, "The technical committee felt it is important to the storage industry to publish the SAT draft standard now. SAT-2 will focus on features that were deemed non-critical or not sufficiently defined to be included in the SAT draft standard."

INCITS encourages membership in the SCSI Storage Interfaces (T10) Technical Committee, and is soliciting technical contributions to this project. Membership in INCITS Technical Committees is open to all directly and materially affected parties that meet attendance, voting, and service fee requirements. Interested parties and technical experts interested in participating in the development work of this project should contact Lynn Barra ([LBarra@itic.org](mailto:LBarra@itic.org)) at 202.626.5739 for more information. Information on the INCITS program of work and technical committees is also available on [www.incits.org](http://www.incits.org)

INCITS adheres to the American National Standards Institute (ANSI) Patent Policy, and a call for patents and pertinent issues is issued now and throughout the development of the project to determine if a proposed standard may require the use of a patented invention. INCITS also encourages disclosure, where possible, of the existence of pending U.S. patent applications relating to the standard under development, and of any relevant unexpired foreign patents. For additional information on patent disclosure: <http://www.incits.org/call.htm>.

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