

# Release Note for AIC SAS 12G EOBserver Expander

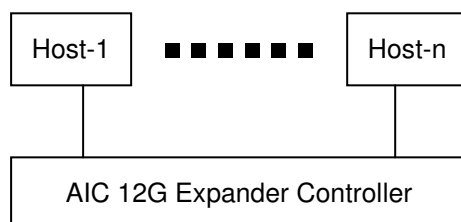
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## Changelog

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1. Built with SDK 25
2. Initial revision

## 1. Support Multiple Host/Path Access



To have multiple host/path access support (the host number can be up to the number of wide ports on each AIC 12G Expander Controller), only the following drives are supported for shared access:

- (A) SAS drive / Nearline SAS drive
- (B) SATA drive with an interposer which provides SATA-to-SAS conversion

## 2. SES Inband Features

### 2.1. SES Pages

- 00h - List of supported diagnostic pages
- 01h - SES configuration
- 02h - SES enclosure control / SES enclosure status

83h – Vendor specific canister number out / Vendor specific canister number in

## 17h - Array Device

It includes only temperature sensor and voltage sensor elements.

BYTE/BIT	7	6	5	4	3	2	1	0
0	HIGH CRITICAL THRESHOLD							
1	HIGH WARNING THRESHOLD							
2	LOW WARNING THRESHOLD							
3	LOW CRITICAL THRESHOLD							

### 2.3.2. Vendor specific canister number out / Vendor specific canister number in

The canister number length supported is 0 ~ 30 bytes.

#### 2.3.2.1. Vendor specific canister number out

If the canister number length is set as '0', the 8 characters "0x20 0x20 0x20 0x20 0x20 0x20 0x20 0x20" is saved for the canister number (8 spaces in ASCII).

**Canister Number control format**

BYTE/BIT	7	6	5	4	3	2	1	0
0~N	Canister Number							

#### 2.3.2.2. Vendor specific canister number in

The status in the following reports '1' for failure to get the canister number.

**Canister Number status format**

BYTE/BIT	7	6	5	4	3	2	1	0
0	Status (0: success, 1: failed)							
1~N (if success)	Canister Number							

### 2.4. Implementation on SES Elements

Only the fields highlighted in green are supported.

#### 2.4.1. Power Supply Element

##### 2.4.1.1. Power Supply Control Element

BYTE/BIT	7	6	5	4	3	2	1	0
0	COMMON CONTROL							
	SELECT	PRDFAIL	DISABLE	RST SWAP	Reserved			
1	RQST IDENT	Reserved						
2	Reserved							
3	Reserved	RQST FAIL	RQST ON	Reserved				

Field	Value
RQST ON	Please refer to section "SES Element Control Functions" for details.

### 2.4.1.2. Power Supply Status Element

BYTE/BIT	7	6	5	4	3	2	1	0
0	COMMON STATUS							
	Reserved	PRDFAIL	DISABLED	SWAP	ELEMENT STATUS CODE			
1	IDENT	Reserved						
2	Reserved				DC OVER VOLTAGE	DC UNDER VOLTAGE	DC OVER CURRENT	Reserved
3	HOT SWAP	FAIL	RQSTED ON	OFF	OVERTMP FAIL	TEMP WARN	AC FAIL	DC FAIL

Field	Value
ELEMENT STATUS CODE	OK
RQSTED ON	1: On for Disk Power Supply 0: Off for Disk Power Supply
OFF	1: Off for Disk Power Supply 0: On for Disk Power Supply

### 2.4.2. Cooling Element

#### 2.4.2.1. Cooling Control Element

BYTE/BIT	7	6	5	4	3	2	1	0
0	COMMON CONTROL							
	SELECT	PRDFAIL	DISABLE	RST SWAP	Reserved			
1	RQST IDENT	Reserved						
2	Reserved							
3	Reserved	RQST FAIL	RQST ON	Reserved		REQUESTED SPEED CODE		

Field	Value
RQST IDENT	Please refer to section “SES Element Control Functions” for details.
REQUESTED SPEED CODE	Please refer to section “SES Element Control Functions” for details.

#### 2.4.2.2. Cooling Status Element

BYTE/BIT	7	6	5	4	3	2	1	0
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0	COMMON STATUS					
	Reserved	PRDFAIL	DISABLED	SWAP	ELEMENT STATUS CODE	
1	IDENT	Reserved				ACTUAL FAN SPEED (MSB)
2	ACTUAL FAN SPEED (LSB)					
3	HOT SWAP	FAIL	RQSTED ON	OFF	Reserved	ACTUAL SPEED CODE

Field	Value
ELEMENT STATUS CODE	OK: Actual fan speed > 0 CRITICAL: The fan RPM can't be detected or equal to 0. UNKNOWN: Failed to read the fan RPM
IDENT	Applicable only for Cooling element 0 0: Enable the smart fan function 1: Disable the smart fan function
ACTUAL FAN SPEED	Current fan RPM
FAIL	The fan RPM can't be detected or equal to 0.
ACTUAL SPEED CODE	Speed code level bases on current fan RPM.

### 2.4.3. Temperature Sensor Element

#### 2.4.3.1. Temperature Sensor Control Element

BYTE/BIT	7	6	5	4	3	2	1	0
0	COMMON CONTROL							
	SELECT	PRDFAIL	DISABLE	RST SWAP	Reserved			
1	RQST IDENT	RQST FAIL	Reserved					
2	Reserved							
3	Reserved							

#### 2.4.3.2. Temperature Sensor Status Element

BYTE/BIT	7	6	5	4	3	2	1	0
0	COMMON STATUS							
	Reserved	PRDFAIL	DISABLED	SWAP	ELEMENT STATUS CODE			
1	IDENT	FAIL	Reserved					
2	TEMPERATURE							
3	Reserved				OT FAILURE	OT WARNING	UT FAILURE	UT WARNING

Field	Value
ELEMENT STATUS CODE	OK: Everything is Ok NON-CRITICAL: If either warning limit is exceeded CRITICAL: If either failure limit is exceeded UNKNOWN: Failed to read temperature
FAIL	A warning or failure condition is detected
TEMPERATURE	Temperature reading
OT FAILURE	Temperature has exceeded the failure high threshold value
OT WARNING	Temperature has exceeded the warning high threshold value
UT FAILURE	Temperature is below the failure low threshold value
UT WARNING	Temperature is below the warning low threshold value

#### 2.4.4. Enclosure Element

##### 2.4.4.1. Enclosure Control Element

BYTE/BIT	7	6	5	4	3	2	1	0
0	COMMON CONTROL							
	SELECT	PRDFAIL	DISABLE	RST SWAP	Reserved			
1	RQST IDENT	Reserved						
2	POWER CYCLE REQUEST		POWER CYCLE DELAY					
3	POWER OFF DURATION						REQUEST FAILURE	REQUEST WARNING

##### 2.4.4.2. Enclosure Status Element

BYTE/BIT	7	6	5	4	3	2	1	0
0	COMMON STATUS							
	Reserved	PRDFAIL	DISABLED	SWAP	ELEMENT STATUS CODE			
1	IDENT	Reserved						
2	TIME UNTIL POWER CYCLE						FAILURE INDICATION	WARNING INDICATION
3	REQUEST POWER OFF DURATION						FAILURE REQUESTED	WARNING REQUESTED

Field	Value
ELEMENT STATUS CODE	OK

## 2.4.5. Voltage Element

### 2.4.5.1. Voltage Control Element

BYTE/BIT	7	6	5	4	3	2	1	0
0	COMMON CONTROL							
	SELECT	PRDFAIL	DISABLE	RST SWAP	Reserved			
1	RQST IDENT	RQST FAIL	Reserved					
2	Reserved							
3	Reserved							

### 2.4.5.2. Voltage Status Element

BYTE/BIT	7	6	5	4	3	2	1	0
0	COMMON STATUS							
	Reserved	PRDFAIL	DISABLED	SWAP	ELEMENT STATUS CODE			
1	IDENT	FAIL	Reserved		WARN OVER	WARN UNDER	CRIT OVER	CRIT UNDER
2	VOLTAGE							
3								

Field	Value
ELEMENT STATUS CODE	OK: Everything is Ok NON-CRITICAL: If either warning limit is exceeded CRITICAL: If either failure limit is exceeded
FAIL	A warning or failure condition is detected
VOLTAGE	Voltage reading
CRIT OVER	Voltage has exceeded the failure high threshold value
WARN OVER	Voltage has exceeded the warning high threshold value
CRIT UNDER	Voltage is below the failure low threshold value
WARN UNDER	Voltage is below the warning low threshold value

## 2.4.6. Array Device Element

### 2.4.6.1. Array Device Control Element

BYTE/BIT	7	6	5	4	3	2	1	0
0	COMMON CONTROL							
	SELECT	PRDFAIL	DISABLE	RST SWAP	Reserved			
1	RQST OK	RQST RSVD DEVICE	RQST HOT SPARE	RQST CONS CHECK	RQST IN CRIT ARRAY	RQST IN FAILED ARRAY	RQST REBUILD/REMAP	RQST R/R ABORT
2	RQST ACTIVE	DO NOT REMOVE	Reserved	RQST MISSING	RQST INSERT	RQST REMOVE	RQST IDENT	Reserved
3	Reserved		RQST FAULT	DEVICE OFF	ENABLE BYP A	ENABLE BYP B	Reserved	

Field	Value
PRDFAIL	Please refer to section “SES Element Control Functions” for details.
RQST OK	Please refer to section “SES Element Control Functions” for details.
RQST RSVD DEVICE	Please refer to section “SES Element Control Functions” for details.
RQST HOT SPARE	Please refer to section “SES Element Control Functions” for details.
RQST CONS CHECK	Please refer to section “SES Element Control Functions” for details.
RQST IN CRIT ARRAY	Please refer to section “SES Element Control Functions” for details.
RQST IN FAILED ARRAY	Please refer to section “SES Element Control Functions” for details.
RQST REBUILD/REMAP	Please refer to section “SES Element Control Functions” for details.
RQST R/R ABORT	Please refer to section “SES Element Control Functions” for details.
RQST ACTIVE	Please refer to section “SES Element Control Functions” for details.
DO NOT REMOVE	Please refer to section “SES Element Control Functions” for details.
RQST MISSING	Please refer to section “SES Element Control Functions” for details.
RQST INSERT	Please refer to section “SES Element Control Functions” for details.



RQST REMOVE	Please refer to section “SES Element Control Functions” for details.
RQST IDENT	Please refer to section “SES Element Control Functions” for details.
RQST FAULT	Please refer to section “SES Element Control Functions” for details.
DEVICE OFF	Please refer to section “SES Element Control Functions” for details.

#### 2.4.6.2. Array Device Status Element

BYTE/BIT	7	6	5	4	3	2	1	0
0	COMMON STATUS							
	Reserved	PRDFAIL	DISABLED	SWAP	ELEMENT STATUS CODE			
1	OK	RSVD DEVICE	HOT SPARE	CONS CHK	IN CRIT ARRAY	IN FAILED ARRAY	REBUILD/ REMAP	R/R ABORT
2	APP CLIENT BYPASSED A	DO NOT REMOVE	ENCLOSURE BYPASSED A	ENCLOSURE BYPASSED B	READY TO INSERT	RMV	IDENT	REPORT
3	APP CLIENT BYPASSED B	FAULT SENSED	FAULT REQSTD	DEVICE OFF	BYPASSED A	BYPASSED B	DEVICE BYPASSED A	DEVICE BYPASSED B

Field	Value
PRDFAIL	Set by the PRDFAIL on Array Device Control Element
ELEMENT STATUS CODE	OK: A drive is detected in the slot NOT INSTALLED: No drive is installed in the slot
OK	Set by the RQST OK on Array Device Control Element
RSVD DEVICE	Set by the RQST RSVD DEVICE on Array Device Control Element
HOT SPARE	Set by the RQST HOT SPARE on Array Device Control Element
CONS CHK	Set by the RQST CONS CHECK on Array Device Control Element
IN CRIT ARRAY	Set by the RQST IN CRIT ARRAY on Array Device Control Element
IN FAILED ARRAY	Set by the RQST IN FAILED ARRAY on Array Device Control Element
REBUILD/REMAP	Set by the RQST REBUILD/REMAP on Array Device Control Element

	Element
R/R ABORT	Set by the RQST R/R ABORT on Array Device Control Element
DO NOT REMOVE	Set by the DO NOT REMOVE on Array Device Control Element
READY TO INSERT	Set by the RQST INSERT on Array Device Control Element
RMV	Set by the RQST REMOVE on Array Device Control Element
IDENT	Set by the RQST IDENT on Array Device Control Element
FAULT REQSTD	Set by the RQST FAULT on Array Device Control Element
DEVICE OFF	Set by the DEVICE OFF on Array Device Control Element

## 2.5. SES Element Control Functions

### 2.5.1. LED indicators (blue and red) associated with an attached disk drive

**Array Device Slot control element**

BYTE/BIT	7	6	5	4	3	2	1	0
0	COMMON CONTROL							
	SELECT	PRDFAIL	DISABLE	RST SWAP	Reserved			
1	RQST OK	RQST RSVD DEVICE	RQST HOT SPARE	RQST CONS CHECK	RQST IN CRIT ARRAY	RQST IN FAILED ARRAY	RQST REBUILD/REMAP	RQST R/R ABORT
2	RQST ACTIVE	DO NOT REMOVE	Reserved	RQST MISSING	RQST INSERT	RQST REMOVE	RQST IDENT	Reserved
3	Reserved		RQST FAULT	DEVICE OFF	ENABLE BYP A	ENABLE BYP B	Reserved	

The default behavior for blue LED is "LED is on when the disk is not busy, and off when the disk is executing a command". When the "RQST IDENT" bit is set, the blue LED overwrites its default behavior with a slow blink while the red LED is off. The blue LED is set "Activity" for not overwriting its default behavior.

Slot Control Bit	Blue LED	Red LED
RQST OK	Activity	OFF
RQST RSVD DEVICE	Activity	OFF
RQST HOT SPARE	Activity	OFF
RQST CONS CHECK	Activity	Fast blink
RQST IN CRIT ARRAY	Activity	Slow blink
RQST IN FAILED ARRAY	Activity	Slow blink

RQST REBUILD/REMAP	Activity	Fast blink
RQST R/R ABORT	Activity	Slow blink
RQST ACTIVE	Activity	OFF
DO NOT REMOVE	Activity	OFF
RQST MISSING	ON	ON
RQST INSERT	Activity	Slow blink
RQST REMOVE	Activity	Slow blink
RQST IDENT	Slow blink	OFF
RQST FAULT	ON	ON
DEVICE OFF	OFF	OFF
PRDFAIL	Activity	Slow blink

### 2.5.2. How to turn on/off the power of a drive slot

**Array Device Slot control element**

BYTE/BIT	7	6	5	4	3	2	1	0
0	COMMON CONTROL							
	SELECT	PRDFAIL	DISABLE	RST SWAP	Reserved			
1	RQST OK	RQST RSVD DEVICE	RQST HOT SPARE	RQST CONS CHECK	RQST IN CRIT ARRAY	RQST IN FAILED ARRAY	RQST REBULD/ REMAP	RQST R/R ABORT
2	RQST ACTIVE	DO NOT REMOVE	Reserved	RQST MISSING	RQST INSERT	RQST REMOVE	RQST IDENT	Reserved
3	Reserved		RQST FAULT	DEVICE OFF	ENABLE BYP A	ENABLE BYP B	Reserved	

The "DEVICE OFF" for a drive slot is defined in the bit4, byte3 of the "Array Device Slot control element" in the SES specification. Set the bit to turn off a slot power, and vice versa. We use the software package "sg3\_utils" on Linux for example, and have a SAS HBA and a cable to connect your host with the expander.

(A) Show the device for AIC Expander Controller

```
$ sg_map -i
```

```
/dev/sg2  AIC 12G   2U12 EOBserver    0c37
```

(B) Get the current state of a slot power. The "Device off=0" means the slot power is on.

```
$ sg_ses --page=2 /dev/sg2
```

Element 0 descriptor:

App client bypass B=0, Fault sensed=0, Fault reqstd=0, Device off=0

(C) Get the descriptor of a slot power

```
$ sg_ses --page=7 /dev/sg2
```

Element 0 descriptor: Disk001

(D) Turn off a slot power

```
$ sg_ses --descriptor=Disk001 --set=3:4:1 /dev/sg2
```

(E) Turn on a slot power

```
$ sg_ses --descriptor=Disk001 --clear=3:4:1 /dev/sg2
```

### 2.5.3. How to power off/on all disk drives manually

**Power Supply control element**

BYTE/BIT	7	6	5	4	3	2	1	0
0	COMMON CONTROL							
	SELECT	PRDFAIL	DISABLE	RST SWAP	Reserved			
1	RQST IDENT	Reserved						
2	Reserved							
3	Reserved	RQST FAIL	RQST ON	Reserved				

The "RQST ON" for Power Supply is defined in the bit5, byte3 of the "Power Supply control element" in the SES specification. Clear the bit on Power Supply Element "DiskPowerSupply" to power off all disk drives. Set the bit on Power Supply Element "DiskPowerSupply" to power on all disk drives. We use the software package "sg3\_utils" on Linux for example, and have a SAS HBA and a cable to connect your host with the expander.

(A) Show the device for AIC Expander Controller

```
$ sg_map -i
```

```
/dev/sg2  AIC 12G   2U12 EOBServer    0c37
```

(B) Power off all disk drives

```
$ sg_ses --descriptor=DiskPowerSupply --clear=3:5:1 /dev/sg2
```

(C) Power on all disk drives

```
$ sg_ses --descriptor=DiskPowerSupply --set=3:5:1 /dev/sg2
```

#### 2.5.4. How to manually change PWM (fan speed) for all Cooling elements

Cooling control element								
BYTE/BIT	7	6	5	4	3	2	1	0
0	COMMON CONTROL							
	SELECT	PRDFAIL	DISABLE	RST SWAP	Reserved			
1	RQST IDENT	Reserved						
2	Reserved							
3	Reserved	RQST FAIL	RQST ON	Reserved		REQUESTED SPEED CODE		

The "RQST IDENT" for Cooling is defined in the bit7, byte1 and the "REQUESTED SPEED CODE" is defined in the bit2 ~ 0, byte3 of the "Cooling control element" in the SES specification. Set "RQST IDENT" bit to disable the smart fan function, and then change PWM or fan speed for all Cooling elements by setting the "REQUESTED SPEED CODE" bits. Clear "RQST IDENT" bit to enable the smart fan function again. Please disable the smart fan function before changing PWM or fan speed. Only Cooling element 0 supports this feature. We use the software package "sg3\_utils" on Linux for example, and have a SAS HBA and a cable to connect your host with the expander.

(A) Show the device for AIC Expander Controller

```
$ sg_map -i
```

```
/dev/sg2  AIC 12G    2U12 EOBServer    0c37
```

(B) Set "RQST IDENT" of Cooling element 0 to disable the smart fan function

```
$ sg_ses --descriptor=CoolingElement01 --set=1:7:1 /dev/sg2
```

(C) Set "REQUESTED SPEED CODE" of Cooling element 0 to change PWM or fan speed for all Cooling elements. Set "REQUESTED SPEED CODE"=7 (100% PWM) for example.

```
$ sg_ses --descriptor=CoolingElement01 --set 3:2:3=7 /dev/sg2
```

REQUESTED SPEED CODE	PWM
7	100%
6	90%

5	80%
4	70%
3	60%
2	50%
1	40%
0	Leave at current speed

### 3. Serial Command Line Interface Functions

The RS232 setting - baud rate: 38400 bps, data bits: 8, parity: none, stop bits: 1, flow control: none

#### 3.1. How to enable/disable T10 zoning

The default T10 zoning configuration is off.

##### (A) Check the current zoning state

```
cmd> phyzone state
```

Zoning is OFF

##### (B) Enable zoning

```
cmd> phyzone on
```

##### (C) Disable zoning

```
cmd> phyzone off
```

#### 3.2. How to configure T10 zoning for PHY

After enabling T10 zoning, five predefined groups are Group1, Group8, Group9, Group10, and Group11. Each PHY should be in one of the five groups, and all PHYs in a wide port should be in the same group. Each PHY in Group1 can access any PHY in other groups, and vice versa. Each PHY in Group8 cannot access any PHY in Group9, and vice versa.

The command syntax is "phyzone phy\_index group". The following example shows how to setup one drive accessed only by the first port and another drive accessed only by the second port.

The configuration for the example is

- (A) PHY0 - PHY3 for the first wide port
- (B) PHY4 - PHY7 for the second wide port
- (C) PHY12 - PHY35 for drive

Step 1: Read the current group for PHY4

```
cmd> phyzone 4  
Phy 4 for Zone Group 1
```

Step 2: Assign the second port (PHY4 - PHY7) for Group9

```
cmd> phyzone 4 9  
cmd> phyzone 5 9  
cmd> phyzone 6 9  
cmd> phyzone 7 9
```

Step 3: Assign the first port (PHY0 - PHY3) for Group8

```
cmd> phyzone 0 8  
cmd> phyzone 1 8  
cmd> phyzone 2 8  
cmd> phyzone 3 8
```

Step 4: Assign the drive on PHY12 to be accessed only by the first port instead of the second port

```
cmd> phyzone 12 8
```

Step 5: Assign the drive on PHY13 to be accessed only by the second port instead of the first port

```
cmd> phyzone 13 9
```

Step 6: Reset for taking effect with the new settings

```
cmd> reset
```

### 3.3. How to get all revisions in AIC SAS 12G Expander

(A) Expander firmware revision

```
cmd> rev
```

(B) Expander configuration revision

```
cmd> showmfg
```

(C) Sensors' report

```
cmd> sensor
```

### 3.4. How to configure temperature sensor

Four temperature settings in Celsius are T1, T2, warning threshold, and alarm (critical) threshold. The T1, T2 and alarm (critical) threshold are applied to the smart fan function.

(A) Get the current temperature settings

```
cmd> temperature
```

Temperature in Celsius (t1=20 C, t2=55 C, warning=50 C, alarm=55 C)

(B) Set temperature with new T1=18 C, T2=52 C, warning threshold=48 C, and alarm threshold=54 C. The new setting will take effect after reset.

```
cmd> temperature 18 52 48 54
```

```
cmd> reset
```

(C) We also take expander temperature into consideration, and the temperature parameters for expander are non-changeable. Expander temperature parameters: T1=40 C, T2=86 C (max 115\*0.75), warning threshold=86 C, and alarm threshold=92 C. The smart fan function will use the highest PWM output which is calculated from backplane and expander temperature parameters.

### 3.5. How to configure enclosure address

(A) Get the current enclosure address

```
cmd> enclosure_addr
```

Enclosure Address: 0x500605B0000272BF

(B) Set the enclosure address with 0x500605B0000272BF. The new setting will take effect after reset.

```
cmd> enclosure_addr 500605B0000272BF
```

```
cmd> reset
```

### 3.6. How to configure standby timer for all disk drives



This feature is applicable for SAS/SATA drives. Standby timer is in units of minutes.  
Setting standby timer with 0 minute disables this feature.

(A) Get current standby timer

```
cmd> standby_timer  
Standby Timer : 0 minutes
```

(B) Set the standby timer with 10 minutes. The new setting will take effect after reset.

```
cmd> standby_timer 10  
cmd> reset
```

### 3.7. How to configure EDFB

The default EDFB configuration is off.

(A) Check the current configuration

```
cmd> edfb  
EDFB is OFF
```

(B) Enable EDFB

```
cmd> edfb on
```

(C) Disable EDFB

```
cmd> edfb off
```

### 3.8. How to configure T10 zoning for a wide port

After enabling T10 zoning, five predefined groups are Group1, Group8, Group9, Group10, and Group11. Please enable T10 zoning before the following.

(A) Get the current zoning group of a wide port

```
cmd> zone_port 1  
Port 01 for Zone Group 01
```

(B) Set the zoning group of a wide port

```
cmd> zone_port 1 8  
Succeeded to set zone group for the port
```

### 3.9. How to configure T10 zoning for a slot

After enabling T10 zoning, five predefined groups are Group1, Group8, Group9, Group10, and Group11. Please enable T10 zoning before the following.

(A) Get the current zoning group of a slot

```
cmd> zone_slot 1
```

Slot 01 for Zone Group 01

(B) Set the zoning group of a slot

```
cmd> zone_slot 1 8
```

Succeeded to set zone group for the phy