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This standard describes the Link Services requirements. The Physical Interface requirements are described in Fibre Channel-Physical Interfaces - 6 (FC-PI-6) and Fibre Channel-Physical Interfaces - 6P (FC-PI-6P). The Framing and Signaling requirements are described in Fibre Channel-Physical Framing and Signaling - 5 (FC-FS-5). This standard is recommended for new implementations but does not obsolete the existing Fibre Channel standards.

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Introduction

FC-LS-4 is one of the Fibre Channel family of standards. This family includes INCITS 545-2018, FC-FS-5, which specifies the Framing and Signaling Interface. INCITS 511-2016, FC-SW-6, is related to Fabric requirements.

FC-LS-4 defines requests and replies that comprise the set of Fibre Channel Extended Link Services (ELs).

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1 Scope

FC-LS-4 describes in detail the Fibre Channel Extended Link Services.

2 Normative References

2.1 Overview

The following standards contain provisions that, through reference in the text, constitute provisions of this standard. At the time of publication, the editions indicated were valid. All standards are subject to revision, and parties to agreements based on this standard are encouraged to investigate the possibility of applying the most recent editions of the standards listed below.

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2.2 Approved references

INCITS 332:1999, *Fibre Channel - Arbitrated Loop-2 (FC-AL-2)*

INCITS 332:1999/AM1-2003, *Fibre Channel - Arbitrated Loop-2 (FC-AL-2), Amendment 1*

INCITS 545:2019, *Fibre Channel - Framing and Signaling - 5 (FC-FS-5)*