

HITACHI MICROCOMPUTER TECHNICAL UPDATE

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1. Usage notice : Memory write/read access to SH7751 local memory from external PCI masters.

1.1 Abstract

In a situation that more than two external PCI masters access to the same address of SH7751s local memory by using PCIC target memory access function, when a master makes memory write request and then reads the data from the same address, there is a possibility that the master will read the former data of the memory write.

1.2 Conditions

There is a possibility of the data inconsistency described above when all the following conditions from (1) to (3) are satisfied.

- (1) An external master has made a target memory read request to SH7751, and the requested transaction is not completed yet.
- (2) Another external master makes a target memory write request to SH7751 and then makes a target memory read request to the same address subsequently.
- (3) In condition (1) and (2), these two masters access to exactly the same address* of SH7751s local memory.

2. Workaround

The external master that makes target memory write request and then makes target memory read request to the same address subsequently, must take following countermeasures (1) or (2).

- (1) If the master will use the read data, discard the first read data just after the write and use the next read data by newly repeated read request.
- (2) If the master will not use the read data (i.e. the purpose of the read is only to confirm the timing that the write data is actually written in memory), make the read request accesses to different address** from the write request accesses to.

* : "the same address" means that AD[31:2] in address phase are identical.

** : "different address" means different longword location (i.e. different AD[31:2]).