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Title	Optimizing Linkage Editor Ver.8 bug information		Information Category	Usage Limitation		
Applicable Product	P0700CAS8-MWR P0700CAS8-SLR P0700CAS8-H7R	Lot No.	Reference Document	SuperH RISC engine C/C++ Compiler Assembler Optimizing Linkage Editor User's Manual REJ10B0047-0100H Rev.1.0		
		Ver.8.0.00 Ver.8.0.01				

The following bug information were detected in the Optimizing Linkage Editor included the SuperH RISC engine C/C++ Compiler Packages (Ver.8.0.00, Ver.8.0.01).
The bug will affect these package versions.

Illegal output data for empty area at S-Type/HEX format files

[Description]

When an output file format is S-Type (or HEX), "0" character (ASCII-Code:0x30) might incorrectly be changed to NULL character (ASCII-Code:0x00) at empty area in which neither instructions nor data would exist.
Some ROM writers might be unable to accept NULL character.

[Conditions]

The problem might occur when all of the following conditions were fulfilled.

- (1) The endian=little option was specified to the compiler (or assembler).
- (2) The form=stype(or hexadecimal) option was specified to the linker.
- (3) The code (or data) that are linked to the same section are divided and exist in two or more input object files.
- (4) "0" character is inserted in the section of (3) by the boundary adjustment at the linkage process.

[Solutions]

This problem can be prevented with all of the following methods.

- (1) Rewrite the NULL character (0x00) to "0" character(0x30) by using binary editors
- (2) Recalculate check sum data of affected lines
(The specification of a S-Type/HEX file formats is written to Chapter 18 of the compiler manual.)