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Title: Alignment Error Event

Applied to: USB4 Specification Version 1.0 Brief description of the functional changes: Changes the event that causes an Alignment Error (ALE) to a more general case Benefits as a result of the changes: Allows for more robust error notification An assessment of the impact to the existing revision and systems that currently conform to the USB specification: None An analysis of the hardware implications: None An analysis of the software implications: None An analysis of the compliance testing implications: ALE should be tested with different numbers of errors.

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Actual Change

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From Text:

Error	Event	Response	Reporting
Alignment Lock Error (ALE)	Adapter received a Symbol with illegal Sync Bits value.	Go to Training.LOCK1 sub-state.	An Adapter shall set the ALE bit in the Logical Errors field to 1b. If the ALE bit in the Logical Layer Errors Enable field is 1b, the Router shall send a Notification Packet with Event Code = ERR_LINK to the Connection Manager (see Section 6.5). If the ALE bit in the Logical Layer Errors Enable field is 0b, the Router shall not send a Notification Packet.

To Text:

Error	Event	Response	Reporting
Alignment Lock Error (ALE)	Adapter received a-N number of Symbols in a row with illegal Sync Bits values, where N is a number between 1 and 8 (inclusive) that is chosen by the implementation.	Go to Training.LOCK1 sub-state.	An Adapter shall set the ALE bit in the Logical Errors field to 1b. If the ALE bit in the Logical Layer Errors Enable field is 1b, the Router shall send a Notification Packet with Event Code = ERR_LINK to the Connection Manager (see Section 6.5). If the ALE bit in the Logical Layer Errors Enable field is 0b, the Router shall not send a Notification Packet.