USB Type-C ENGINEERING CHANGE NOTICE

Title: VCONN-powered Accessories Failure Notifications Applied to: USB Type-C Specification Release 1.2

Brief description of the functional changes proposed:
This ECN is to eliminate silent failures from Sinks with Accessory Support.
Benefits as a result of the proposed changes:
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Improved user experience.
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An assessment of the impact to the existing revision and systems that currently conform to the USB specification:

Will require new Sinks with Accessory Support to add an ability to provide user notification.

An analysis of the hardware implications:

Additional circuitry may be required to enable user notification, although the method of notification isn't explicitly specified by this spec.

An analysis of the software implications:

Depends on the method of implementation – there is no assumption that the Sink has software. Presumed more likely a firmware impact.

An analysis of the compliance testing implications:

Compliance will be updated to verify that the notification will appear when tested with an unsupported device.

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Actual Changes Requested

The following is proposed changes to USB Type-C spec.

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This state appears in Figure 4-14.

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