

USB Power Delivery ENGINEERING CHANGE NOTICE

Title: VCONN_Swap Clarification

**Applied to: USB Power Delivery Specification Revision 3.0
V1.1**

Brief description of the functional changes proposed:
Clarify the behaviour of a device attempting to become VCONN source, when the Port Partner does not support VCONN_Swap.

Benefits as a result of the proposed changes:
Ensures better inter-operability.

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:
This provides clarity for Compliance Testing which may have been lacking before.

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Actual Change

(a). Section 6.3.11, Page 110

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6.3.11 VCONN_Swap Message

The **VCONN_Swap** Message **Shall** be supported by any Port that can operate as a VCONN Source.

The **VCONN_Swap** Message **May** be sent by either Port Partner to request an exchange of VCONN Source. The recipient of the Message **Shall** respond by sending an **Accept** Message, **Reject** Message or **Wait** Message.

- If an **Accept** Message is sent, the Port Partners **Shall** perform a VCONN Swap. The new VCONN Source **Shall** send a **PS_RDY** Message within **tVCONNSourceOn** to indicate that it is now sourcing VCONN. The initial VCONN Source **Shall** cease sourcing VCONN within **tVCONNSourceOff** of receipt of the last bit of the **EOP** of the **PS_RDY** Message.
- If a **Reject** Message is sent, the requester is informed that the recipient is unable, or unwilling, to do a VCONN Swap and no action **Shall** be taken. A **Reject** Message **Shall** only be sent by the Port that is not presently the Vconn Source in response to a **VCONN_Swap** Message. The Port that is presently the Vconn Source **Shall Not** send a **Reject** Message in response to **VCONN_Swap** Message.
- If a **Wait** Message is sent, the requester is informed that a VCONN Swap might be possible in the future but that no immediate action **Shall** be taken. A **Wait** Message **Shall** only be sent by the Port that is not presently the Vconn Source in response to a **VCONN_Swap** Message. The Port that is presently the Vconn Source **Shall Not** send a **Wait** Message in response to **VCONN_Swap** Message.

The DFP (Host), UFP (Device) roles and Source of V_{BUS} **Shall** remain unchanged as well as the R_p/R_d resistors on the CC wire during the VCONN Swap process.

Note: VCONN **Shall** be continually sourced during the VCONN Swap process in order to maintain power to the Cable Plug(s) i.e. make before break.

Before communicating with a Cable Plug a Port **Shall** ensure that it is the VCONN Source and that the Cable Plugs are powered, by performing a VCONN swap if necessary. Since it cannot be guaranteed that the present VCONN Source is supplying VCONN, the only means to ensure that the Cable Plugs are powered is for a Port wishing to communicate with a Cable Plug to become the VCONN Source. If a **Not_Supported** Message is returned in response to the **VCONN_Swap** Message then the Port is allowed to become the VCONN Source until a Hard Reset or Detach.

Note: even when it is presently the VCONN Source, the Sink is not permitted to initiate an AMS with a Cable Plug unless R_p is set to **SinkTxOk** (see Section 6.9).

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- If a **Reject** Message is sent, the requester is informed that the recipient is unable, or unwilling, to do a VCONN Swap and no action **Shall** be taken. A **Reject** Message **Shall** only be sent by the Port that is not presently the Vconn Source in response to a **VCONN_Swap** Message. The Port that is presently the Vconn Source **Shall Not** send a **Reject** Message in response to **VCONN_Swap** Message.
- If a **Wait** Message is sent, the requester is informed that a VCONN Swap might be possible in the future but that no immediate action **Shall** be taken. A **Wait** Message **Shall** only be sent by the Port that is not presently the Vconn Source in response to a **VCONN_Swap** Message. The Port that is presently the Vconn Source **Shall Not** send a **Wait** Message in response to **VCONN_Swap** Message.
- If a **Not_Supported** Message is sent, the requester is informed that Vconn Swap is not supported. The Port that is not presently the Vconn Source **May** turn on Vconn when a **Not_Supported** Message is received in response to a **VCONN_Swap** Message.

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(b). Section 6.12.1, Table 6-61, Page 213

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Table 6-61 Applicability of Control Messages

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Note 4: **Shall** be supported by any Port that can operate as a VCONN Source.

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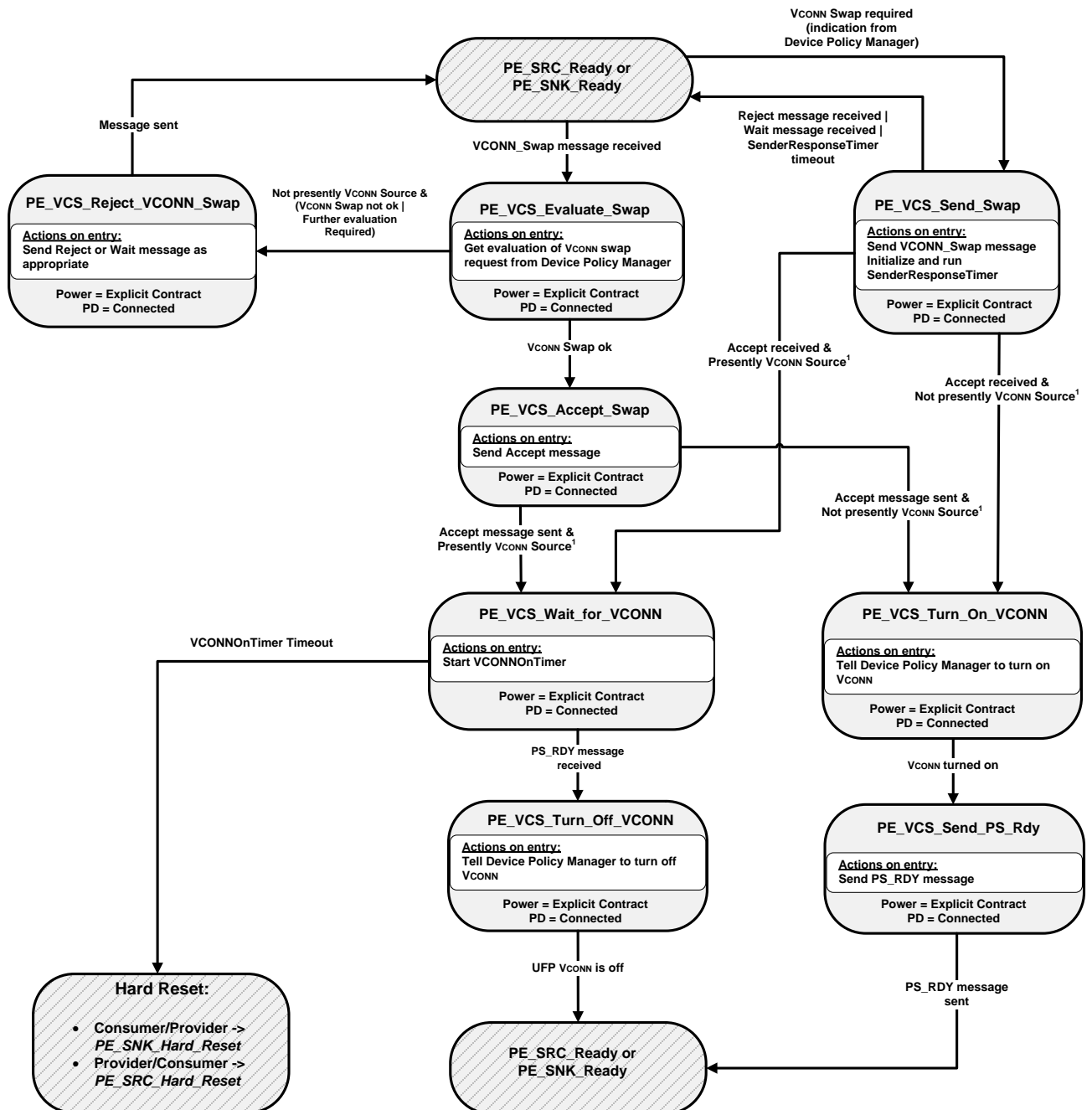
(c). Section 8.3.3.17, Page 480

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The State Diagram in this section **shall** apply to Ports that supply VCONN. Figure 8-113 shows the state operation for a Port on sending or receiving a VCONN Swap request.

Figure 8-113 VCONN Swap State Diagram



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¹ A Port is presently the VCONN Source if it has the responsibility for supplying VCONN even if VCONN has been turned off.

8.3.3.17.1.1 PE_VCS_Send_Swap State

The **PE_VCS_Send_Swap** state is entered from either the **PE_SRC_Ready** or **PE_SNK_Ready** state when the Policy Engine receives a request from the Device Policy Manager to perform a VCONN Swap.

On entry to the **PE_VCS_Send_Swap** state the Policy Engine **shall** send a **VCONN_Swap** Message and start the **SenderResponseTimer**.

The Policy Engine **shall** transition to the **PE_VCS_Wait_For_VCONN** state when:

- An **Accept** Message is received and
- DFP current has VCONN turned on.

The Policy Engine **shall** transition to the **PE_VCS_Turn_On_VCONN** state when:

- An **Accept** Message is received and
- DFP current has VCONN turned off.

The Policy Engine **shall** transition back to either the **PE_SRC_Ready** or **PE_SNK_Ready** state for a DFP when:

- A **Reject** Message is received or
- A **Wait** Message is received or
- The **SenderResponseTimer** times out.

8.3.3.17.1.2 PE_VCS_Evaluate_Swap State

The **PE_VCS_Evaluate_Swap** state is entered from either the **PE_SRC_Ready** or **PE_SNK_Ready** state when the Policy Engine receives a **VCONN_Swap** Message.

On entry to the **PE_VCS_Evaluate_Swap** state the Policy Engine **shall** request the Device Policy Manager for an evaluation of the VCONN Swap request. Note: Ports that are presently the VCONN Source must always accept a VCONN swap request (see Section 6.3.11).

The Policy Engine **shall** transition to the **PE_VCS_Accept_Swap** state when:

- The Device Policy Manager indicates that a VCONN Swap is ok.

The Policy Engine **shall** transition to the **PE_VCS_Reject_Swap** state when:

- The Port is not presently the VCONN Source and
- The Device Policy Manager indicates that a VCONN Swap is not ok or
- The Device Policy Manager indicates that a VCONN Swap cannot be done at this time.

8.3.3.17.1.3 PE_VCS_Accept_Swap State

On entry to the **PE_VCS_Accept_Swap** state the Policy Engine **shall** send an **Accept** Message.

The Policy Engine **shall** transition to the **PE_VCS_Wait_For_VCONN** state when:

- The **Accept** Message has been sent and
- The UFP's VCONN is on.

The Policy Engine **shall** transition to the **PE_VCS_Turn_On_VCONN** state when:

- The **Accept** Message has been sent and
- The UFP's VCONN is off.

8.3.3.17.1.4 PE_VCS_Reject_Swap State

On entry to the **PE_VCS_Reject_Swap** state the Policy Engine **shall** request the Protocol Layer to send:

- A **Reject** Message if the device is unable to perform a VCONN Swap at this time.
- A **Wait** Message if further evaluation of the VCONN Swap request is required. Note: in this case it is expected that the DFP will send a **VCONN_Swap** Message at a later time.

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The Policy Engine *Shall* transition back to either the *PE_SRC_Ready* or *PE_SNK_Ready* state when:

- The *Reject* or *Wait* Message has been sent.

8.3.3.17.1.5 PE_VCS_UFP_Wait_for_VCONN State

On entry to the *PE_VCS_Wait_For_VCONN* state the Policy Engine *Shall* start the *VCONNOnTimer*.

The Policy Engine *Shall* transition to the *PE_VCS_Turn_Off_VCONN* state when:

- A *PS_RDY* Message is received.

The Policy Engine *Shall* transition to either the *PE_SRC_Hard_Reset* or *PE_SNK_Hard_Reset* state when:

- The *VCONNOnTimer* times out.

8.3.3.17.1.6 PE_VCS_Turn_Off_VCONN State

On entry to the *PE_VCS_Turn_Off_VCONN* state the Policy Engine *Shall* tell the Device Policy Manager to turn off VCONN.

The Policy Engine *Shall* transition back to either the *PE_SRC_Ready* or *PE_SNK_Ready* state for a UFP when:

- The UFP's VCONN is off.

8.3.3.17.1.7 PE_VCS_Turn_On_VCONN State

On entry to the *PE_VCS_Turn_On_VCONN* state the Policy Engine *Shall* tell the Device Policy Manager to turn on VCONN.

The Policy Engine *Shall* transition to the *PE_VCS_Send_Ps_Rdy* state when:

- The UFP's VCONN is on.

8.3.3.17.1.8 PE_VCS_Send_PS_Rdy State

On entry to the *PE_VCS_Send_Ps_Rdy* state the Policy Engine *Shall* send a *PS_RDY* Message.

The Policy Engine *Shall* transition back to either the *PE_SRC_Ready* or *PE_SNK_Ready* state for a UFP when:

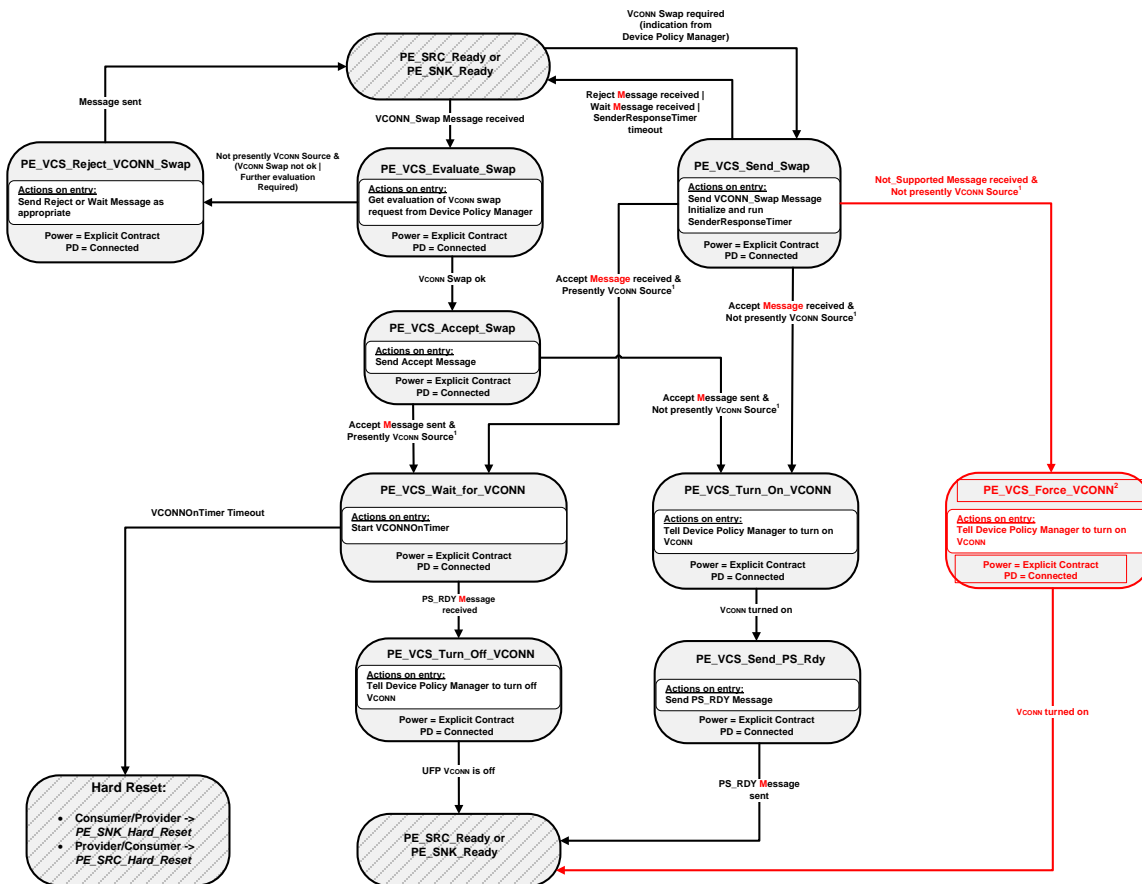
- The *PS_RDY* Message has been sent.

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Figure 8-113 VCONN Swap State Diagram



¹ A Port is presently the VCONN Source if it has the responsibility for supplying VCONN even if VCONN has been turned off.

² The **PE_VCS_Force_VCONN** state is *Optional*.

8.3.3.17-4.1 PE_VCS_Send_Swap State

The **PE_VCS_Send_Swap** state is entered from either the **PE_SRC_Ready** or **PE_SNK_Ready** state when the Policy Engine receives a request from the Device Policy Manager to perform a VCONN Swap.

On entry to the **PE_VCS_Send_Swap** state the Policy Engine **Shall** send a **VCONN_Swap** Message and start the **SenderResponseTimer**.

The Policy Engine **Shall** transition to the **PE_VCS_Wait_For_VCONN** state when:

- An **Accept** Message is received and
- The Port is presently the VCONN Source. ~~current has VCONN turned on.~~

The Policy Engine **Shall** transition to the **PE_VCS_Turn_On_VCONN** state when:

- An **Accept** Message is received and
- The Port is not presently the VCONN Source. ~~current has VCONN turned off.~~

The Policy Engine **Shall** transition back to either the **PE_SRC_Ready** or **PE_SNK_Ready** state ~~for a DFP~~ when:

- A **Reject** Message is received or
- A **Wait** Message is received or
- The **SenderResponseTimer** times out.

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The Policy Engine **May** transition to the **PE_VCS_Force_VCONN** state when:

- A **Not_Supported** Message is received and
- The Port is not presently the VCONN Source.

8.3.3.17-4.2 PE_VCS_Evaluate_Swap State

The **PE_VCS_Evaluate_Swap** state is entered from either the **PE_SRC_Ready** or **PE_SNK_Ready** state when the Policy Engine receives a **VCONN_Swap** Message.

On entry to the **PE_VCS_Evaluate_Swap** state the Policy Engine **Shall** request the Device Policy Manager for an evaluation of the VCONN Swap request. Note: Ports that are presently the VCONN Source must always accept a VCONN swap request (see Section 6.3.11).

The Policy Engine **Shall** transition to the **PE_VCS_Accept_Swap** state when:

- The Device Policy Manager indicates that a VCONN Swap is ok.
- The Policy Engine **Shall** transition to the **PE_VCS_Reject_Swap** state when:
- The Port is not presently the VCONN Source and
 - The Device Policy Manager indicates that a VCONN Swap is not ok or
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The Policy Engine **Shall** transition to the **PE_VCS_Wait_For_VCONN** state when:

- The **Accept** Message has been sent and
- The **UFP**Port's VCONN is on.

The Policy Engine **Shall** transition to the **PE_VCS_Turn_On_VCONN** state when:

- The **Accept** Message has been sent and
- The **UFP**Port's VCONN is off.

8.3.3.17-4.4 PE_VCS_Reject_Swap State

On entry to the **PE_VCS_Reject_Swap** state the Policy Engine **Shall** request the Protocol Layer to send:

- A **Reject** Message if the device is unable to perform a VCONN Swap at this time.
- A **Wait** Message if further evaluation of the VCONN Swap request is required. Note: in this case it is expected that the **DFFP**Port will send a **VCONN_Swap** Message at a later time.

The Policy Engine **Shall** transition back to either the **PE_SRC_Ready** or **PE_SNK_Ready** state when:

- The **Reject** or **Wait** Message has been sent.

8.3.3.17-4.5 PE_VCS_UFP_Wait_for_VCONN State

On entry to the **PE_VCS_Wait_For_VCONN** state the Policy Engine **Shall** start the **VCONNOnTimer**.

The Policy Engine **Shall** transition to the **PE_VCS_Turn_Off_VCONN** state when:

- A **PS_RDY** Message is received.

The Policy Engine **Shall** transition to either the **PE_SRC_Hard_Reset** or **PE_SNK_Hard_Reset** state when:

- The **VCONNOnTimer** times out.

8.3.3.17-4.6 PE_VCS_Turn_Off_VCONN State

On entry to the **PE_VCS_Turn_Off_VCONN** state the Policy Engine **Shall** tell the Device Policy Manager to turn off VCONN.

The Policy Engine **Shall** transition back to either the **PE_SRC_Ready** or **PE_SNK_Ready** state ~~for a UFP~~ when:

- The **UFP**Port's VCONN is off.

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8.3.3.17-4.7 PE_VCS_Turn_On_VCONN State

On entry to the **PE_VCS_Turn_On_VCONN** state the Policy Engine *Shall* tell the Device Policy Manager to turn on VCONN.

The Policy Engine *Shall* transition to the **PE_VCS_Send_Ps_Rdy** state when:

- The ~~UEFP~~Port's VCONN is on.

8.3.3.17-4.8 PE_VCS_Send_PS_Rdy State

On entry to the **PE_VCS_Send_Ps_Rdy** state the Policy Engine *Shall* send a **PS_RDY** Message.

The Policy Engine *Shall* transition back to either the **PE_SRC_Ready** or **PE_SNK_Ready** state ~~for a UFP~~ when:

- The **PS_RDY** Message has been sent.

8.3.3.17.9 PE_VCS_Force_VCONN State

On entry to the **PE_VCS_Force_VCONN** state the Policy Engine *Shall* tell the Device Policy Manager to turn on VCONN.

The Policy Engine *Shall* transition back to either the **PE_SRC_Ready** or **PE_SNK_Ready** state when:

- The Port's VCONN is on.

(d). Section 8.3.3.25, Table 8-62, Page 510

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State name	Reference
USB Type-C VCONN Swap	
PE_VCS_Send_Swap	Section 8.3.3.17.1.1
PE_VCS_Evaluate_Swap	Section 8.3.3.17.1.2
PE_VCS_Accept_Swap	Section 8.3.3.17.1.3
PE_VCS_Reject_Swap	Section 8.3.3.17.1.4
PE_VCS_Wait_For_VCONN	Section 8.3.3.17.1.5
PE_VCS_Turn_Off_VCONN	Section 8.3.3.17.1.6
PE_VCS_Turn_On_VCONN	Section 8.3.3.17.1.7
PE_VCS_Send_Ps_Rdy	Section 8.3.3.17.1.8

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USB Type-C VCONN Swap	
PE_VCS_Send_Swap	Section 8.3.3.17-4.1
PE_VCS_Evaluate_Swap	Section 8.3.3.17-4.2
PE_VCS_Accept_Swap	Section 8.3.3.17-4.3
PE_VCS_Reject_Swap	Section 8.3.3.17-4.4
PE_VCS_Wait_For_VCONN	Section 8.3.3.17-4.5
PE_VCS_Turn_Off_VCONN	Section 8.3.3.17-4.6
PE_VCS_Turn_On_VCONN	Section 8.3.3.17-4.7
PE_VCS_Send_Ps_Rdy	Section 8.3.3.17-4.8
PE_VCS_Force_VCONN	Section 8.3.3.17.9