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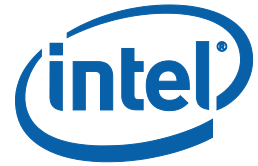
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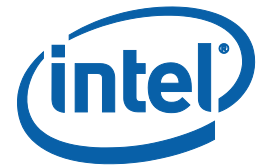
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# 1 Introduction

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The Intel graphics software stack is made up of multiple different pieces of software modules including the kernel mode drivers, user mode drivers, CUI (Common User Interface), and video BIOS. The Intel graphics software stack also depends on other platform software modules and data tables like the system BIOS and video BIOS table (VBT) to configure and control the graphics subsystem.

Communication between these pieces of multi-software modules is fairly complex involving different types of interfacing and trigger mechanisms. The interfaces for inter-module driver communications and the user to kernel mode driver communication is dictated by the operating system and hence fairly straight-forward by using DLL exports, function table exports or defining the IOCTLs (I/O Controls).

This BIOS Writers Guide focuses on the next generation communication mechanism between the graphics driver, system BIOS, and ASL code.

The following table provides a consolidated view of the communication mechanisms that were previously (and in some cases are currently) used between graphics driver stack, system BIOS, and video BIOS.

Description			Interface/Mechanism
Graphics Driver	⇒	System BIOS	SMI
System BIOS	⇒	Graphics Driver	Driver Interrupt (Intel proprietary)
System BIOS	⇒	Video BIOS	INT 10h
Video BIOS	⇒	System BIOS	INT 15h
Graphics Driver	⇒	Video BIOS	INT 10h
Video BIOS	⇒	Graphics Driver	None

With the increasingly complexity of Intel technologies embedded into the microprocessor and platform silicon coupled with the new operating system developments the abovementioned communication paths to system BIOS and video BIOS were posed with new restrictions and limitations, as follows:

1. System Management Interrupts (SMIs) may be restricted on future operating systems.



2. The INT 10h interface is not possible in many platform configurations and with some new Intel innovations.
3. Glitches may occur during video playback when an SMI is issued (switches processor into SMM for an indeterminate amount of time).
4. SMIs may degrade performance, since ALL CPU threads (in a multi-core/multi-threaded system) may be under-utilized when handling an SMI.

This document provides a single alternate robust and efficient method that complies with ACPI specification by leveraging the ACPI framework.

## 1.1 Terminology

Term	Description
ACPI	Advanced Configuration and Power Interface
ALS	Ambient Light Sensor
ASL	ACPI Source Language
ASLS	ASL Storage Register
ASLE	ASL Event
BCD	Binary Coded Decimal - Use the hex nibbles to represent decimal digits. Example: 12 = 12h not 0Ch.
BIA	Backlight Image Adaptation
Big Endian	Big endian means that the low-order byte of a multi-byte data item in memory is at the highest address, while the high-order byte is at the lowest address.
BIOS	Basic Input/Output Service
BMP	BIOS Modification Program: Use to update Video BIOS data and features in object code without recompiling.
BOM	Build of Materials
C-Spec	Component Specification
DDC	Display Data Channel: VESA standard used to retrieve EDID data from a monitor.
EFI	Extensible Firmware Interface
EEP	External Flat Panel
EDID	Extended Display Identification Data: Monitor data that describes the monitor characteristics.
GMCH	Graphics Memory Controller Hub
IBV	Independent BIOS Vendor
IGD	Integrated Graphics Device



Term	Description
Intel® DPST	Intel® Display Power Savings Technology
LFP	Local Flat Panel, normally used on mobile platforms
Little Endian	Little endian means that the low-order byte of a multi-byte data item in memory is at the lowest address, while the high-order byte is at the highest address.
lux	Lumen per square meter
MBI	Modular BIOS Interface
NVS	Non Volatile Storage
OEM	Original Equipment Manufacturer
OS	Operating System
POST	Power On Self-Test: Chipset initialization code.
R	Read
SDVO	Serial Digital Video Out
SCI	System Control Interrupt
SMM	System Management Mode
SWSCI	Software SCI
SSRW	Software Scratch Read Write
SMI	System Management Interrupt
SMM	System Management Mode
VBT	Video BIOS Table: This is a customer customizable block of data build with the video BIOS.
W	Write
WO	Write Once

## 1.2 Objective

The primary objective of this specification is to detail a unified communication transport mechanism that will:

1. Eliminate the INT 10h calls from system BIOS (in SMM mode) and graphics drivers
2. Eliminate the use of SMI from Intel graphics drivers.

This document defines a method for communicating with the system BIOS and system firmware from software within the Operating System, driver in a manner which is independent of implementation. The OpRegion interface provides a known interface to extract selected information from the firmware. By allowing a compatible method to



extract this information, OpRegion provides enhanced flexibility in customization and configuration of the platform without requiring those changes to be propagated through the rest of the software/firmware stack. Additionally OpRegion provides the assurance that these platform specifics are always retrievable and will travel with the platform regardless of what operating system or software is installed.

### 1.3 Intended Audience

- BIOS Vendors
- OEMs who develop their own BIOS

### 1.4 Scope

The scope of this specification is to detail the use of System Control Interrupt (SCI) as a System Management Interrupt (SMI) replacement and the accompanying ACPI Operation Region as a transport mechanism between Intel's graphics driver and the system BIOS.

This document describes the communication mechanism (methods and mailboxes) between system BIOS ASL code that pertains to ACPI Video Extensions 1.0b support, Intel private graphics ASL methods, and Intel graphics driver. This mechanism is applicable only for ACPI environments (both system firmware and OS). **Support for non-ACPI environments are beyond the scope of this mechanism and document.**

This communication mechanism is designed to be the only mechanism required for any communication between the components mentioned here in an ACPI environment.

### 1.5 Reasons for Replacing SMI and INT 10h

SMI handlers are executed in a special System Management Mode of the processor which can asynchronously take over control of the system (without OS intervention or control). Thus, there are some restrictions placed on the length of time that can be spent in SMI without interrupting the natural operation of the operating system. These restrictions are entirely the responsibility of the system BIOS and could impact time-sensitive OS events (i.e., DVD playback, etc.).

Additionally, on multi-processor systems, SMI may impact system performance when all processors attempt to switch to System Management Mode.

The latest reasoning for replacement of SMI is driven by a future OS requirement that restricts the use of SMI as a means to communicate with the system firmware.





In most legacy configurations, INT 10h has been the choice of communication between the system BIOS and the video BIOS. The video BIOS has traditionally been a 16-bit module and the system BIOS has typically had to switch the processor context into “Real Mode” before requesting any services from the video BIOS. Although this has been the expected process in legacy platforms, modern systems and technologies place restrictions on real mode switching. It has become inevitable to find a solution that avoids these processor context switches.

## 1.6 Reference Documents

Document	Document No./Location
<i>RS-GMCH SMI Interface - Software Interface Specification Revision 1.3</i>	Note
<i>RS – ACPI 3.0 Enhanced _DOD ID's for Intel Integrated Graphics Software Interface Specification</i>	Note
<i>GMCH SMI Interface - Revision 1.3, Specification Update C</i>	Note
<i>Windows* Longhorn Logo Program System and Device Requirements, Version 3.0</i>	<a href="http://www.microsoft.com">www.microsoft.com</a>
<i>Advanced Configuration and Power Interface Specification Revision 3.0b</i>	<a href="http://www.acpi.info">www.acpi.info</a>

**NOTE:** Contact Intel representative for the latest document.

## 2 Overview

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The Integrated Graphics Device (IGD) OpRegion/Software SCI mechanism is a shared memory interface where the system BIOS reserves some physical pages in memory and labels them as custom Operation Regions (as defined by Advanced Configuration and Power Interface (ACPI) – Type 4 NVS). An ACPI specification compliant operating system would consider this region as reserved for ACPI framework and hence publishes this to the ACPI aware client drivers. Intel graphics drivers map this NVS memory region into the virtual address space giving all the interfacing software components (i.e., system BIOS, ASL methods, and Intel graphics drivers) access to the same shared memory region. These software components maintain this shared NVS memory region with system states allowing different user system control mechanisms to communicate and work together harmoniously. Intel Video BIOS does not have direct access to this shared memory region, but via interfaces to the system BIOS outside the scope of this document, it has access to the information it needs.

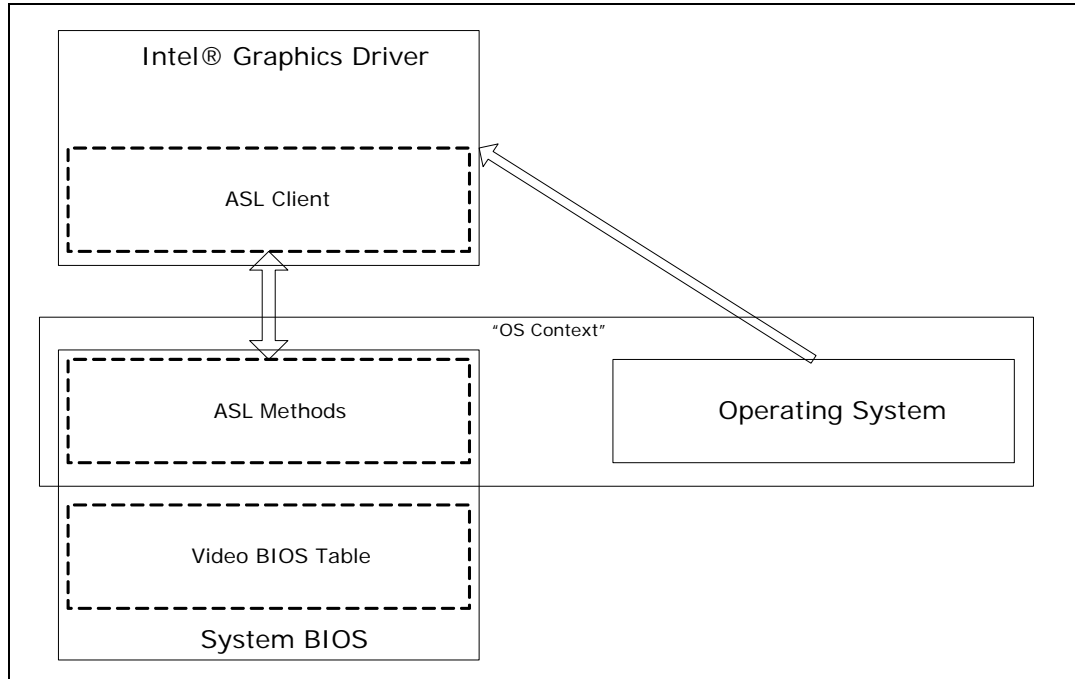
A second mechanism (Software SCI – Software System Control Interrupt) is introduced and detailed in this specification. Where the OpRegion is a passive memory block interface, the Software SCI is a dynamic client and server interface, the calling client being the Graphics drivers, and the server being an SCI handler and functions written in System BIOS ASL code. This new SCI mechanism replaces the earlier SMI mechanism which was one of our objectives listed earlier in [Section 1.5](#). Basically, the Software SCI mechanism is a hardware interrupt that is activated by Intel graphics drivers passing control to an ASL interrupt handler giving platform generic drivers access to platform specific functionality without entering any SMM or other special processor mode.

These two mechanisms together make customer platform-specific functionality, user interfaces, and state data available to customer platform-generic graphics drivers and OS.

The [Figure 2-1](#) depicts that the ASL methods are developed and distributed as part of the system firmware by the OEMs and IBVs but the execution model is in the context of OS solving the issue of wasted CPU cycles (and rendezvous times) in multi-processor environments.



Figure 2-1. ASL Methods Diagram



## 2.1 OpRegion Types and Definitions

This document describes the ACPI Memory Operation Regions necessary for system firmware and graphics driver communication. There are three types of OpRegions required:

1. **GMCH PCI OpRegion** – Used to access the GMCH Internal Graphics Device (IGD) PCI configuration space registers in ASL code. This OpRegion defines only extended PCI Configuration registers that are required to implement this specifications intent.

**NOTE:** Standard configuration space registers should not be accessed by ASL code and hence should not be defined in this OpRegion

2. **Memory OpRegion** – Used to access Type 4 NVS memory that is shared between ASL code and Graphics driver. This OpRegion defines a BIOS reserved contiguous system memory range of a variable size in the low 4-GB range.

The above-mentioned OpRegion names will be used to refer to the appropriate operation regions from now on. The specifics of these OpRegions are discussed in the following sections.



## 2.2 GMCH PCI Config OpRegion

<b>Name</b>	'IGDP'
<b>Type</b>	Any Access (DWORD preferred)
<b>Offset</b>	IGD device ASLS, ASLE, and SWSCI registers minimally or entire extended space (40h-0FFh)
<b>Size</b>	0C0h bytes
<b>Access Type</b>	Any Access (DWORD preferred)

### Other Characteristics:

- Saved/Restored by graphics driver across power transitions and from S4.

### Components Visible to:

- System BIOS, ASL code, and Graphics Driver.
- ACPI Kernel.

### Components NOT Visible to:

- Video BIOS (limitation of "Real Mode").
- All Other components not mentioned above.

### When Created:

- System BIOS POST (S5->S0), S4->S0.
- System BIOS MUST initialize ASLS register with Memory OpRegion offset.

The following specific IGD registers are required to be defined specifically following registers in the non-standard space (40h-0FFh offsets):

**Table 2-1. PCI OpRegion Registers**

IGD PCI Config Space Register			Usage	GMCH PCI Space Offset	Size (bits)
ASL Name	GMCH Reg. Name	Description			
GIVD	MGGCO .IVD	IGFX Vga Disable	This Bit is used to denote if Device 2 can claim VGA Memory and IO Cycles	050h	16



IGD PCI Config Space Register			Usage	GMCH PCI Space Offset	Size (bits)
ASL Name	GMCH Reg. Name	Description			
GUMA	MGGCO .GMS	Graphics Mode Select	This field is used to select the amount of Main Memory that is pre-allocated to support the Internal Graphics device in VGA (non-linear) and Native (linear) modes.	050h	16
ASLE		System Display Event	PCI interrupt trigger for System BIOS to send a command directly to Graphic driver	0E4h	32
SWSC	SWSCI	Software SCI	GPE/SCI Trigger for Graphics driver to send a command to System BIOS.	0E8h	16
ASLS	ASLS	ASL Storage	SW Scratch Register for System BIOS to pass Memory OpRegion physical address to driver. System BIOS is responsible for initializing this with the Memory OpRegion Offset.	0FCh	32

## 2.3 Memory OpRegion

<b>Name</b>	'IGDM' or "IntelGraphicsMem" for OpRegion Header
<b>Type</b>	System Memory, Cacheable Type 4 non-reclaimable Firmware Reserved Non-Executable
<b>Offset</b>	Anywhere in system memory under 4 GB <b>Note:</b> This is a limitation of the 32-bit ASLS register in PCI configuration space.
<b>Size</b>	Determined by System BIOS. Must be contiguous.
<b>Access Type</b>	Any Access (DWORD preferred)

### Other Characteristics:

- Non-Volatile Storage (NVS)
- Cacheable



- Non-Reclaimable (Type 4), Firmware Reserved
- Non-executable

**Components Visible to:**

- System BIOS, ASL, and Graphics Driver
- ACPI Kernel

**Components NOT Visible to:**

- Video BIOS (limitation of "Real Mode")
- All Other components not mentioned above.

**When Created:**

- System BIOS POST (S5->S0), S4->S0
- System BIOS must initialize this region with zero's

Only pertinent graphics data and data contained in this specification will be stored here. (Not for private use.)





### 3 OpRegion Memory Layout

As explained in the Overview chapter, the ACPI-based memory OpRegion is memory that is setup by the system BIOS and then shared between the interfacing software components (i.e., system BIOS, ASL code, and Graphics driver). It is reserved by the system BIOS and is a contiguous system memory range in the low 4-GB memory space.

System BIOS is responsible for indicating support for the OpRegion to the graphics driver. System BIOS indicates support via programming a valid (non-zero) physical address of the allocated Memory OpRegion in the ASLS PCI register. Conversely, a zero entry in the ASLS register indicates System BIOS does not support the OpRegion (i.e., is an older generation product and may support the legacy GMCH SMI method of communication).

The following table and sections in this chapter provides information on the memory OpRegion layout.

**Table 3-1. OpRegion Layout**

OpRegion Major Blocks	Size (Bytes)	Offset (Bytes)	Access
<b>OpRegion Header</b> The OpRegion Header is used to identify a block of memory as the graphics driver OpRegion.	256	0 (0h)	SB = R/W ASL = R GD = R/W
<b>Mailbox 1: Public ACPI Methods</b> Mailbox 1 includes fields that support ACPI specification public method.	256	256 (100h)	SB = R/W ASL = R/W GD = R/W
<b>Mailbox 2: Software SCI Interface</b> Mailbox 2 is an interface to a private ACPI interrupt handler that is invoked by the graphics driver.	256	512 (200h)	SB = R/W ASL = R/W GD = R/W
<b>Mailbox 3: BIOS to Driver Notification</b> Mailbox 3 contains the ASLE driver interrupt mechanism and BIOS to Driver notification fields including power conservation and panel fitting fields.	256	768 (300h)	SB = R/W ASL = R/W GD = R/W
<b>Mailbox 4: VBT</b> The Video BIOS Table (VBT) is a block of customizable data that is originally built into the video BIOS binaries.	6144 (6K)	1024 (400h)	SB = W ASL = N/A GD = R



OpRegion Major Blocks	Size (Bytes)	Offset (Bytes)	Access
<b>Mailbox 5: BIOS to Driver Notification Extension</b> Mailbox 5 supports BIOS to Driver event notification or data storage for BIOS to Driver data synchronization.	1024 (1K)	7168 (1C00h)	SB = W ASL = N/A GD = R

**NOTE:** All entries in the OpRegion are DWORD-aligned as far as their physical addresses go except for the internals of the VBT Image block. This means all addresses accessed by system BIOS are DWORD-aligned. The translated virtual address provided by OS to the graphics driver can be at any alignment.

### 3.1 OpRegion Header

The OpRegion Header is always the first contiguous data block and is used to identify a memory address space as the start of the Memory OpRegion. It also contains other information that allows software to discover the memory OpRegion's version, size, and supported mailboxes which will be needed to support future version of the structure.

Table 3-2. OpRegion Header Layout

OpRegion Header Fields	Size (Bytes)	Offset (Bytes)	Access
<b>SIGN</b> OpRegion Signature = "IntelGraphicsMem"	16	0 (0h)	SB = WO ASL = n/a GD = R
<b>SIZE</b> OpRegion Size = 8 KB	4	16 (10h)	SB = WO ASL = n/a GD = R
<b>OVER</b> OpRegion Structure Version = v1.1 r0	4	20 (14h)	SB = WO ASL = n/a GD = R
<b>SVER</b> System BIOS Build Version	32	24 (18h)	SB = WO ASL = n/a GD = R
<b>VVER</b> Video BIOS Build Version	16	56 (38h)	SB = WO ASL = n/a GD = R
<b>GVER</b> Graphics Driver Build Version	16	72 (48h)	SB = R ASL = R GD = WO





OpRegion Header Fields	Size (Bytes)	Offset (Bytes)	Access
<b>MBOX</b> Supported Mailboxes	4	88 (58h)	SB = WO ASL = n/a GD = R
<b>DMOD</b> Driver Model	4	92 (5Ch)	SB = RO ASL = RO GD = WO
<b>PCON</b>	4	96 (60h)	SB = WO ASL = n/a GD = RO
<b>DVER</b> <b>GOP Version</b>	32	100 (64h)	SB = WO ASL = n/a GD = RO
<b>RM01</b> Reserved (must be zero)	124	132 (84h)	SB = WO ASL = n/a GD = n/a

The individual header fields are described below.

### 3.1.1 Signature (SIGN)

The 'SIGN' field is a case-sensitive string and is the primary identifier of the memory OpRegion. If the signature field is invalid, graphics driver will stop using OpRegion for any purpose and fail gracefully.

**Table 3-3. Header SIGN Field**

Offset (Bytes)	Size (Bytes)	Access
000h	010h	SB = W, ASL = N/A, GD = R
<b>Bits [127:0] - OpRegion Signature = "IntelGraphicsMem"</b> These bits are a case-sensitive string and are the primary identifier of the memory OpRegion. If this field is invalid, the graphics driver will stop using OpRegion for any purpose and fail gracefully.		

#### System BIOS Access (WO):

System BIOS writes this field once during its POST (normal boot and resume from hibernate).



**ASL Code Access (N/A):**

ASL code assumes the OpRegion is present and valid as it is part of the implementing system BIOS.

**Driver Access (R):**

Graphics driver reads this field once during its initialization prior to any other IGD OpRegion access. The intent is to ensure correctness of the Memory OpRegion. The driver validates this field during power resume times as well as a sanity check.

### 3.1.2 Size (SIZE)

The 'SIZE' field contains the size in KB of the entire OpRegion structure (including header). The size field should match the structure definition corresponding to its version indicated via OVER. If the size field is invalid, graphics driver will stop using OpRegion for any purpose and fail gracefully.

**Table 3-4. Header SIZE Field**

Offset (Bytes)	Size (Bytes)	Access
010h	004h	SB = W, ASL = N/A, GD = R
<b>Bits [31:0] - OpRegion Size = (incl. Header) in KB = 8 KB</b> These bits contain the size in KB of the entire OpRegion structure (including header)		

**System BIOS Access (WO):**

System BIOS writes this field once during its POST (normal boot and resume from hibernate).

**ASL Code Access (N/A):**

ASL code does not use this field.

**Driver Access (R):**

Graphics driver reads this field during initialization to get/verify the IGD OpRegion size. The intent is to ensure correctness of the OpRegion. The drivers validate this field during power resume times as well as a sanity check.

### 3.1.3 OpRegion Version (OVER)

The 'OVER' field holds the OpRegion/Software SCI design version and revision numbers.



Table 3-5. Header OVER Field

Offset (Bytes)	Size (Bytes)	Access
014h	004h	SB = W, ASL = N/A, GD = R
<b>Bits [31:16] - Major Version Number</b> BCD Integer representing the major version of the OpRegion/SWSCI Interface <b>Bits [23:0] - Minor Version Number</b> BCD Integer representing the minor version of the OpRegion/SWSCI Interface		

Chipset	OVER	Mailbox 1	Mailbox 2	Mailbox 3	Mailbox 5
Skylake Mobile	3.0 r0	Supported	Supported	Supported	Optional
Skylake Desktop	3.0 r0	Supported	Supported	Supported	Optional

The fields are supported in Version 2.0. Both Driver and BIOS are sticking with version 2.0 currently and even the new fields are supported even 2.0 onwards.

If the Driver or BIOS is having older version, the respective callbacks wouldn't be set and hence no problem with backward compatibility.

#### System BIOS Access (WO):

System BIOS writes this field once during its POST (normal boot and resume from hibernate). The system BIOS only needs to support a single version of OpRegion/Software SCI mechanism. The version of the OpRegion/Software SCI mechanism in this document is version 1.1 revision 0.

#### ASL Code Access (N/A):

ASL code does not use this field.

#### Driver Access (R):

Graphics driver reads this field once during its initialization. The driver should support all documented versions for backwards compatibility support, but at run-time, support the exact version that System BIOS supports which is indicated via this field. If the version field is invalid, the driver will stop using OpRegion for any purpose and fail gracefully.

### 3.1.4 System BIOS Version (SVER)

The 'SVER' field holds the System BIOS version number for diagnostic purposes.



Table 3-6. Header SVER Field

Offset (Bytes)	Size (Bytes)	Access
018h	020h	SB = W, ASL = N/A, GD = R
<b>Bits [255:0] - System BIOS Version</b> System BIOS version is stored as an ASCII string		

**System BIOS Access (WO):**

System BIOS writes this field once during its POST (normal boot and resume from hibernate).

**ASL Code Access (N/A):**

ASL code does not use this field.

**Driver Access (R):**

Graphics driver only uses this field for diagnostic purposes and is not used in production software.

### 3.1.5 Video BIOS Version (VVER)

The 'VVER' field holds the Video BIOS version number. This version number is used by Intel CUI control panel application to display the Video BIOS version.

Table 3-7. Header VVER Field

Offset (Bytes)	Size (Bytes)	Access
038h	010h	SB = W, ASL = N/A, GD = R
<b>Bits [127:0] - Video BIOS Build Version</b> Video BIOS version is stored as an ASCII string. This field is filled when IGD is primary or secondary, and the intent is for Intel CUI control panel application to display the Video BIOS version. This could also be used for diagnostic purposes to aid debugging.		

**System BIOS Access (WO):**

System BIOS writes this field once during its POST (normal boot and resume from hibernate). System BIOS obtains the Video BIOS version information as described in [Section 5.3.4](#)

**ASL Code Access (N/A):**

ASL code does not use this field.

**Driver Access (R):**

Graphics driver reads this field upon request from Intel CUI to determine Video BIOS information.

### 3.1.6 Graphics Driver Version (GVER)

The 'GVER' field holds the Graphics driver version number for diagnostic purposes.

**Table 3-8. Header GVER Field**

Offset (Bytes)	Size (Bytes)	Access
048h	010h	SB = R, ASL = R, GD = W
<b>Bits [127:0] - Graphics Driver Build Version</b> Graphics driver build version is stored as an ASCII string. This field is filled with the version of graphics driver (when IGD is primary or secondary) and the intent is for diagnostic purposes only to aid debugging.		

**System BIOS Access (R):**

System BIOS uses this field for debug purposes only.

**Warning:** OEMs/IBVs are at their own risk as Intel reserves the right to change the versioning policy and thereby the associated version numbers or revisions.

**ASL Code Access (R):**

ASL code may read this field to incorporate a workaround for particular driver builds.

**Driver Access (WO):**

Graphics driver writes this field once during its initialization during normal boot.

### 3.1.7 Supported Mailboxes (MBOX)

The 'MBOX' field identifies what mailboxes are supported.

**Table 3-9. Header MBOX Field**

Offset (Bytes)	Size (Bytes)	Access
058h	004h	SB = W, ASL = N/A, GD = W



Offset (Bytes)	Size (Bytes)	Access
<b>Bits [31:5] - Reserved</b> Reserved (must be zero) <b>Bits [4] - Mailbox 5: BIOS to Driver Notification Extension</b> 0 = No support for mailbox and its features 1 = Support for mailbox and its features <b>Bits [3] - Mailbox 4: VBT</b> 1 = Must be supported <b>Bits [2] - Mailbox 3: BIOS to Driver Notification</b> 0 = No support for mailbox and its features 1 = Support for mailbox and its features <b>Bits [1] - Mailbox 2: Software SCI</b> 0 = No support for mailbox and its features 1 = Support for mailbox and its features <b>Bits [0] - Mailbox 1: Public ACPI Methods</b> 0 = No support for mailbox and its features 1 = Support for mailbox and its features		

**NOTE:** Support for the VBT mailbox is required and therefore does have a mailbox support bit.

#### System BIOS Access (WO):

System BIOS writes this field once during its POST (normal boot and resume from hibernate).

#### ASL Code Access (N/A):

Not used by ASL code.

#### Driver Access(R):

Graphics driver reads at any time to determine mailbox support.

### 3.1.8 Driver Model (DMOD)

The 'DMOD' field indicates the type/model of Graphics Driver currently loaded. Graphics driver will update this field once the driver is successfully loaded. BIOS can read this field to make decision based on the type of Graphics Driver loaded. On driver unload, graphics driver needs to make DMOD = 0 to indicate to the System BIOS that no graphics driver is loaded now.

**Note:** This field is supported from OpRegion Version (refer to [Section 3.1.3](#)) = 2.0 forward.



Table 3-10. Header DMOD Field

Offset (Bytes)	Size (Bytes)	Access
05Ch	004h	SB = R, ASL = R, GD = W
<b>Bits [31:0] – Driver Model</b> 00h – Graphics Driver not loaded 01h – XPDM Driver loaded 02h – WDDM Driver loaded All other values are reserved		

**System BIOS Access (RO):**

System BIOS can read this field anytime.

**ASL Code Access (RO):**

ASL codes can read this field and may take different paths for different driver model when needed.

**Driver Access (WO):**

Graphics driver writes to this field on driver load/unload.

### 3.1.9 Platform Configuration (PCON)

This field indicates the Platform Configuration Information. Details of bit definitions are as below. The field is populated by BIOS and Driver reads it.

Table 3-11. Header PCON Field

Offset (Bytes)	Size (Bytes)	Access
060h	004h	SB = W, ASL = N/A GD = R



Offset (Bytes)	Size (Bytes)	Access
<b>Bits [31:9] – Reserved (Must be Zero)</b> <b>Bits[8] – External Gfx Adapter Field valid</b> 0 = External Gfx Adapter field is Not valid 1 = External Gfx Adapter field is valid <b>Bits[7] – External Gfx Adapter</b> 0 = No External Gfx Adapter 1 = External Gfx Adapter Detected and Available <b>Bits[6] – ISCT Capability Support Field valid</b> 0 = Platform ISCT Capability Field is Not valid 1 = Platform ISCT Capability Field is valid <b>Bits[5] – ISCT Support Field</b> 0 = Platform is not ISCT capable 1 = Platform is ISCT capable <b>Bits[4] – Audio Type Support Field valid</b> 0 = Audio type support field is not valid 1 = Audio type support field is valid <b>Bits[3:2] – Audio Type Support</b> 0 = No Audio Supported 1 = High Definition Audio Support 2 = Low Power Audio Support 3 = Rsvd <b>Bits[1] – Platform Connected Standby Capability Support Field valid</b> 0 = Platform Connected Standby Capability field is not valid 1 = Platform Connected Standby Capability field is valid <b>Bits[0] – Platform Connected Standby Capability Support</b> 0 = Platform is Connected Standby Capable 1 = Platform is not Connected Standby Capable		

**System BIOS Access (W):**

System BIOS writes to this field during boot

**ASL Code Access (N/A):**

Not used by ASL code.

**Driver Access (RO):**

Graphics driver will read from this field





### 3.1.10 GOP Version (DVER)

This field is filled with the version of GOP (when IGD is primary or secondary) and the intent is for Intel CUI control panel application to display the GOP version. This could also be used for diagnostic purposes to aid debugging. The version info is filled with character info terminated by a NULL character. Gfx Driver will read through the Link to Memory OpRegion Layout

**Table 3-12. Header DVER Field**

Offset (Bytes)	Size (Bytes)	Access
064h	020h	SB = W, ASL = N/A GD = R
GOP Build Version = Version (Wide Character string)		

#### System BIOS Access (W):

This field is written once by the System BIOS during its POST (normal boot and resume from hibernate).

#### ASL Code Access (N/A):

Not used by ASL code.

#### Driver Access (RO):

Graphics driver reads this field upon request from Intel CUI to determine GOP Version information

## 3.2 Mailbox 1: Public ACPI Methods

This mailbox supports ACPI events that results in Public ASL method execution either in GFX scope or outside of GFX scope with graphics implications (e.g., Docking/ Undocking events). A public method is one that's documented in the ACPI specification.

**Table 3-13. OpRegion Mailbox 1 (Public ACPI Methods) Layout**

Mailbox 1 (Public ACPI Methods) Fields	Size (Bytes)	Offset (Bytes)	Access
<b>DRDY</b> Driver Readiness	4	0 256 (100h)	SB = R ASL = R GD = W



Mailbox 1 (Public ACPI Methods) Fields	Size (Bytes)	Offset (Bytes)	Access
<b>CSTS</b> STATUS	4	4 260 (104h)	SB = W ASL = R GD = R/W
<b>CEVT</b> Current Event	4	8 264 (108h)	SB = R/W ASL = R/W GD = R
<b>RM11</b> Reserved (must be zero)	20	12 268 (10Ch)	SB = WO ASL = n/a GD = n/a
<b>DIDL</b> Supported Display Devices ID List (_DOD)	32 8 DWORDs	32 288 (120h)	SB = R ASL = R GD = R/W
<b>CPDL</b> Currently Attached (or Present) Display Devices List	32 8 DWORDs	64 320 (140h)	SB = R ASL = R GD = R/W
<b>CADL</b> Currently Active Display Devices List (_DCS)	32 8 DWORDs	96 352 (160h)	SB = R ASL = R GD = R/W
<b>NADL</b> Next Active Devices List (_DGS use)	32 8 DWORDs	128 384 (180h)	SB = R/W ASL = R/W GD = R/W
<b>ASLP</b> ASL Sleep Time Out	4	160 416 (1A0h)	SB = R ASL = R GD = W
<b>TIDX</b> Toggle Table Index	4	164 420 (1A4h)	SB = R/W ASL = R/W GD = R
<b>CHPD</b> Current Hot Plug Enable Indicator	4	168 424 (1A8h)	SB = R ASL = R GD = R/W
<b>CLID</b> Current Lid State Indicator	4	172 428 (1ACh)	SB = R/W ASL = R/W GD = R
<b>CDCK</b> Current Docking State Indicator	4	176 432 (1B0h)	SB = R/W ASL = R/W GD = R



Mailbox 1 (Public ACPI Methods) Fields	Size (Bytes)	Offset (Bytes)	Access
<b>SXSW</b> Request ASL to issue Display Switch notification on Sx State resume	4	180 436 (1B4h)	SB = R/W ASL = R/W GD = W
<b>EVTS</b> Events Supported by ASL (Diagnostic Purposes Only)	4	184 440 (1B8h)	SB = R/W ASL = R/W GD = R
<b>CNOT</b> Current OS Notifications (Diagnostic Purposes Only)	4	188 444 (1BCh)	SB = R/W ASL = R/W GD = R/W
<b>NRDY</b> Reasons for DRDY = 0 or failure conditions in CSTS (Diagnostic Purposes Only)	4	192 448 (1C0h)	SB = R ASL = R GD = W
<b>DID2</b> Extended Supported Devices ID List (DOD)	28	196 452 (1C4h)	SB = R ASL = R GD = R/W
<b>CPD2</b> Ex8tended Attached Display Devices List	28	224 480 (1E0h)	SB = R ASL = R GD = R/W
<b>RM12</b> Reserved (must be zero)	4	252 508 (1FCh)	SB = WO ASL = n/a GD = n/a

**NOTES:**

1. The access level specified in this table for SBIOS & Driver is a suggested guideline only. No enforcement will be made by the Graphics Driver or the Operating System.
2. Optional fields are labeled as "Diagnostic" and are only for debug/diagnostic purposes. It is strongly recommended to support them.
3. Offset column: The first number is relative to Mailbox 1, and the second number is relative to the start of the OpRegion.
4. To simplify access, it may be necessary to identify the individual elements in the Display Device List fields DIDL, CPDL, CADL, and NADL.

The individual mailbox fields are described below.

### 3.2.1 Driver Ready (DRDY)

The 'DRDY' field indicates whether graphics driver is ready to process ACPI Video Extensions notifications from System BIOS.



Table 3-14. Mailbox 1 DRDY Field

Offset (Bytes)	Size (Bytes)	Access
100h	004h	SB = R, ASL = R, GD = W
<b>Bits [31:0] - Driver Readiness</b> These bits indicate whether graphics driver is ready to process ACPI Video Extensions notifications from System BIOS 00000000h = Driver not ready for Video Extensions calls 00000001h = Driver is ready for Video Extensions calls 00000002h – 0FFFFFFFh = Reserved		

**System BIOS Access:**

Writes/Reads – Not used by system BIOS POST code.

Writes – Only read by system BIOS ASL code.

Reads – System BIOS ASL code reads this field before a) sending any notifications to the driver or b) handling ACPI Video Extensions. If graphics driver is not ready, NRDY may optionally indicate the reason why graphics driver is not ready.

System BIOS ASL code has options if graphics driver is loaded but not ready:

1. Fail the ACPI event processing gracefully without further GFX notifications. Where OS notifications are mandatory, they still need to be issued e.g., Lid event.
2. Sleep/Poll DRDY for driver readiness, Timeout if driver not ready after a specified interval of time

If Graphics driver is not loaded yet but OSPM is ready, System BIOS can fail ACPI Video Extensions gracefully.

**Driver Access:**

Writes – Graphics driver sets this field after a successful loading, initialization, or resume from sleep states (S3 & S4). Graphics driver resets the field to 00h in cases of entering power management sleep states (S3 & S4). Graphics driver must also use this field to indicate the System BIOS in cases it is not ready to handle the ACPI Video Extensions. Graphics driver is strongly encouraged to provide reason via NRDY.

Reads – Driver does not read this field

**Relevant ACPI Methods:**

All ACPI Video Extensions methods; See the ACPI Specification, *Video Extensions*, for details.

**Relevant ACPI OS Notifications:**



All ACPI Video Extensions notifications; See the ACPI specification, *Video Extensions*, for details.

### 3.2.2 Notification Status (CSTS)

The 'CSTS' field provides a graphics notification progress indicator. This serves as a handshake mechanism between System BIOS ASL code and Graphics driver in order to process a specific graphics notification.

**Table 3-15. Mailbox 1 CSTS Field**

Offset (Bytes)	Size (Bytes)	Access
104h	004h	SB = W, ASL = R, GD = R/W
<b>Bits [31:0 - Notification Status</b> These bits provide a graphics notification progress indicator. This serves as a handshake mechanism between System BIOS ASL code and Graphics driver in order to process a specific graphics notification. 00000000h = Success (Driver) 00000001h = Failure (Driver) 00000002h = Pending, Transaction (Driver) 00000003h = Dispatched, Transaction (ASL) 00000004h – 0FFFFFFFh = Reserved		

#### System BIOS Access:

Writes/Reads – Not used by system BIOS POST code.

Writes – System BIOS ASL code can only write a "Dispatched" value to this field. This write should be done prior to any graphics notification issued by System BIOS ASL code and only if the current status is Success or Failure.

Reads – System BIOS ASL code can read this field anytime. System BIOS ASL code sleeps/polls this field for a "Success"/"Failure" status before issuing another notification or exiting the method.

**Note:** In earlier BIOS reference code, prior to issuing an ACPI notification, ASL code polls CSTS for time "t" when it is set to "Dispatched", and returns failure on timeout. This could cause all subsequent events to fail if an event is not received or processed by the OS or the driver. It is recommended that the check of CSTS be removed. The second option is to check for CSTS for time "t" when it is set to "Dispatched", and send another notification on timeout regardless of the CSTS value.



**Driver Access:**

Writes – Graphics driver can initiate writes to this field only if the value is “Dispatched.” Subsequent write values can be “Pending” followed by “Success” or “Failure.” If a failure condition occurs, driver can optionally provide the reason via NRDY.

Reads – Graphics driver can read this field anytime. This field is typically read by the graphics driver on any graphics notification from System BIOS ASL code/OSPM. Driver determines the origin of the Driver call to be ASL if the value read back is “Dispatched.” Driver would then acknowledge receipt of the notification by setting “Pending” status before processing the notification. Upon completion, Driver would either set “Success” or “Failure.” Driver shall not process the notification if ‘CSTS’ is not equal to dispatched (i.e., CSTS != Dispatched).

**Relevant ACPI Methods:**

All ACPI Video Extensions methods; See the ACPI specification, *Video Extensions*, for details.

**Relevant ACPI OS Notifications:**

All ACPI Video Extensions notifications; See the ACPI specification, *Video Extensions*, for details.



### 3.2.3 Current Event (CEVT)

The intent of the 'CEVT' field is to notify the driver of the event and for the driver to apply appropriate persistence if necessary.

**Table 3-16. Mailbox 1 CEVT Field**

Offset (Bytes)	Size (Bytes)	Access
108h	004h	SB = R/W, ASL = R/W, GD = R
<b>Bits [31:3] - Reserved</b> Must be zero <b>Bits [2] - Dock/Undock</b> This field indicates if the current ACPI Video Extensions Dock/Undock event trigger is being serviced 0 = No Dock/Undock Event 1 = Dock/Undock Event <b>Bits [1] - Lid Open/Close</b> This field indicates if the current ACPI Video Extensions Lid Open/Close event trigger is being serviced 0 = No Lid Open/Close Event 1 = Lid Open/Close Event <b>Bits [0] - Display Switch Hot-Key Press</b> This field indicates if the current ACPI Video Extensions Display Switch Hot-Key Press event trigger is being serviced 0 = No Display Switch Hot-Key Press Event 1 = Display Switch Hot-Key Press Event		

**NOTE:** Only one bit of this field shall be set at any one time.

#### System BIOS Access:

Writes – System BIOS POST or ASL code can only write one of the event values at a time.

Reads – System BIOS POST or ASL code can read this field anytime if required. The intent is for System BIOS to serialize or block any potential back to back user event triggers.

**Note:** System BIOS needs to update CEVT only for Notify(VGA,0x80) since this notification is overloaded for multiple ACPI events (hotkey, lid, dock) in Microsoft Windows\* XP.

**Note:** It is not necessary for the System BIOS to clear CEVT after sending the notifications, since the driver only considers the event variable when the status flag is set to "Dispatched". Furthermore attempting to clear CEVT will likely cause a 750-ms delay in processing.



#### Driver Access:

Writes – Graphics driver cannot write to this field.

Reads – Graphics driver typically reads this field in response to an OS call to switch displays or re-enumerate display devices so that it can apply appropriate persistence.

#### Relevant ACPI Methods:

All ACPI Video Extensions methods; See the ACPI specification, *Video Extensions*, for details.

#### Relevant ACPI OS Notifications:

All ACPI Video Extensions notifications; See the ACPI specification, *Video Extensions*, for details.

### 3.2.4 Supported Display Devices ID List (DIDL)

The 'DIDL' field indicates what display devices are supported by the platform and therefore enumerable by the graphics driver. A maximum of 8 devices are assumed supportable on a given platform and enumerable by the graphics driver. Graphics driver detects/determines devices during its initialization and prior to the first monitor enumeration call it receives from the OS. System BIOS uses this list (as is) to package a list of IDs and return that list in \_DOD method invocation. In the event of \_DOD getting invoked by OSPM prior to graphics driver initializing this list (i.e., all IDs are 0), System BIOS \_DOD method should return no enumerable connectors to OSPM.

Table 3-17. Mailbox 1 DIDL Field

Bit Fields	Description
DWORD [7]	ACPI ID 7
DWORD [6]	ACPI ID 6
DWORD [5]	ACPI ID 5
DWORD [4]	ACPI ID 4
DWORD [3]	ACPI ID 3
DWORD [2]	ACPI ID 2
DWORD [1]	ACPI ID 1
DWORD [0]	ACPI ID 0





Extended DID2

Bit Fields	Description
DWORD [14]	ACPI ID 14
DWORD [13]	ACPI ID 13
DWORD [12]	ACPI ID 12
DWORD [11]	ACPI ID 11
DWORD [10]	ACPI ID 10
DWORD [9]	ACPI ID 9
DWORD [8]	ACPI ID 8

**NOTES:**

1. In case of less than 15 IDs, Graphics driver should terminate the list with 0 after the last ID.
2. The Extended DIDL field is supported from OpRegion Version (refer OVER) = 3.0 onwards.

Driver and BIOS are sticking to 2.0 version itself and hence currently OVER would still be 2.0 where these fields would be working. If the Driver or BIOS is having older version, the respective fields would be 0 and hence no problem with backward compatibility.

Table 3-18. Mailbox 1 DIDL Field ACPI ID

Offset (Bytes)	Size (Bytes)	Access
120h	020h	SB = R, ASL = R, GD = R/W
01C4h	01Ch	SB = R, ASL = R, GD = R/W
<b>Bits [31:16] - ACPI ID</b> The ACPI ID details can be found in <a href="#">Section 5.2.2</a> .		

**System BIOS Access:**

Writes – System BIOS POST or ASL code should not write to these fields.

Reads – System BIOS POST or ASL code can read this field anytime if required. The intent is for System BIOS to package this list w/o modification when it's \_DOD method is invoked by OSPM.

**Driver Access:**

Writes – Graphics driver writes to this field once during its initialization after determining platform supported connectors.



Reads – Graphics driver typically can read this field as sanity check during monitor enumeration call from the OS.

**Relevant ACPI Methods:**

\_DOD

**Relevant ACPI OS Notifications:**

Notify (VGA, 0) – Graphics device enumeration.

Notify (VGA, 0x81) – Some OS implementations cause serious side effects and hence System BIOS implementations are advised to avoid this.

Notify (\\_SB.PCI0, 0) – PCI Bus 0 wide enumeration.

### 3.2.5 Currently Attached Display Devices List (CPDL)

The 'CPDL' field indicates what display devices (monitors) are currently connected to the previously enumerated connectors. A maximum of eight monitors are assumed supportable on a given platform and enumerable by the graphics driver. Graphics driver detects/determines monitors at various times in response to different triggers: OS calls, Hot-plug of a monitor, Boot/Resume times etc.

For description on \_DOD ID formats, refer to [Section 5.2.2](#)

**Table 3-19. Mailbox 1 CPDL Field**

Bit Fields	Description
DWORD [7]	ACPI ID 7
DWORD [6]	ACPI ID 6
DWORD [5]	ACPI ID 5
DWORD [4]	ACPI ID 4
DWORD [3]	ACPI ID 3
DWORD [2]	ACPI ID 2
DWORD [1]	ACPI ID 1
DWORD [0]	ACPI ID 0



Extended CPD (CPD2)

Bit Fields	Description
DWORD [14]	ACPI ID 14
DWORD [13]	ACPI ID 13
DWORD [12]	ACPI ID 12
DWORD [11]	ACPI ID 11
DWORD [19]	ACPI ID 10
DWORD [9]	ACPI ID 9
DWORD [8]	ACPI ID 8

**NOTE:** In case of less than 15 IDs, Graphics driver should terminate the list with 0 after the last ID.

Table 3-20. Mailbox 1 CPDL Field ACPI ID

Offset (Bytes)	Size (Bytes)	Access
140h	020h	SB = R ASL = R, GD = R/W
1E0h	01Ch	SB = R ASL = R, GD = R/W
<b>Bits [31:16] - ACPI ID</b> The ACPI ID details can be found in <a href="#">Section 5.2.2. Video Extensions Reference</a> .		

### System BIOS Access:

Writes – System BIOS POST or ASL code should not write to these fields.

Reads – System BIOS POST or ASL code can read this field anytime if required. The intent is for System BIOS to optionally determine what display devices to switch to say for a hot-key display switch press. Usually, this determination is done by graphics driver based on OEM settings via VBT. System BIOS however can override the driver determination.

### Driver Access:

Writes – Graphics driver writes to this field on every monitor detection process.

Reads – Graphics driver can read this field to update NADL.

### Relevant ACPI Methods:

\_DGS – System BIOS can optionally use this field to determine what to return via \_DGS

**Relevant ACPI OS Notifications:**

Notify (VGA, 0x80) – Graphics display device switch

**NOTE:** The Extended CPD (CPD2) field is supported from OpRegion Version (refer OVER) = 3.0 onwards.

Driver and BIOS are sticking to 2.0 version itself and hence currently OVER would still be 2.0 where these fields would be working. If the Driver or BIOS is having older version, the respective fields would be 0 and hence no problem with backward compatibility.

### 3.2.6 Currently Active Display Devices List (CADL)

The 'CADL' field indicates what display devices (monitors) are currently active. A maximum of eight monitors are assumed active on a given platform. The IDs should be the same as the enumerated monitor/connector IDs. Graphics driver determines active monitors during mode set times and during boot.

**Table 3-21. Mailbox 1 CADL Field**

Bit Fields	Description
DWORD [7]	ACPI ID 8
DWORD [6]	ACPI ID 7
DWORD [5]	ACPI ID 6
DWORD [4]	ACPI ID 5
DWORD [3]	ACPI ID 4
DWORD [2]	ACPI ID 3
DWORD [1]	ACPI ID 2
DWORD [0]	ACPI ID 1

**NOTE:** In case of less than 8 IDs, Graphics driver should terminate the list with 0 after the last ID.

**Table 3-22. Mailbox 1 CADL Field ACPI ID**

Offset (Bytes)	Size (Bytes)	Access
160h	020h	SB = R ASL = R, GD = R/W
<b>Bits [31:16] - ACPI ID</b> The ACPI ID details can be found in <a href="#">Section 5.2.2, Video Extensions Reference</a> .		



### System BIOS Access:

Writes – System BIOS POST and ASL code should not write to these fields.

Reads – System BIOS can read this field anytime to support \_DCS. Optionally, System BIOS can use this information to determine what display devices to switch to say for a hot-key display switch press. Usually, this determination is done by graphics driver based on OEM settings via VBT. System BIOS however can override the driver determination.

### Driver Access:

Writes – Graphics driver writes to this field on every mode set process and during boot.

Reads – Graphics driver can read this field to update NADL.

### Relevant ACPI Methods:

\_DCS

### Relevant ACPI OS Notifications:

Notify (VGA, 0x80) – Graphics display device switch.

## 3.2.7 Next Active Display Devices List (NADL)

The 'NADL' field indicates what display devices (monitors) are to switch to next on a subsequent hot-key or lid event display switch. A maximum of eight monitors are assumed switchable to on a given platform. The IDs should be the same as the enumerated monitor/connector IDs. Graphics driver determines which monitors to switch to based on selected toggle table (1 of 4) indicated via 'TIDX' by ASL code.

Graphics driver should update this field after any display changes or hot-plug/unplug. ASL can override the driver selection if ASL maintains the toggle table internally i.e., outside of VBT based toggle tables.

**Note:** The value in TIDX must be non-zero in order for the driver to update the NADL field.

**Table 3-23. Mailbox 1 NADL Field**

Bit Fields	Description
DWORD [7]	ACPI ID 8
DWORD [6]	ACPI ID 7
DWORD [5]	ACPI ID 6
DWORD [4]	ACPI ID 5
DWORD [3]	ACPI ID 4



Bit Fields	Description
DWORD [2]	ACPI ID 3
DWORD [1]	ACPI ID 2
DWORD [0]	ACPI ID 1

**Note:** In case of less than 8 IDs, Graphics driver should terminate the list with 0 after the last ID.

**Table 3-24. Mailbox 1 NADL Field ACPI ID**

Offset (Bytes)	Size (Bytes)	Access
180h	020h	SB = R/W ASL = R/W GD = R/W
<b>Bits [31:16] - ACPI ID</b> The ACPI ID details can be found in <a href="#">Section 5.2.2. Video Extensions Reference</a> .		

#### System BIOS Access:

Writes – System BIOS POST or ASL code should write to these fields if it wishes to override the driver determined next device list.

Reads – System BIOS POST or ASL code can read this field anytime to support \_DGS. System BIOS can either use this list as is to determine what display devices to switch to say for a hot-key display switch press or override it with its own.

#### Driver Access:

Writes – Graphics driver writes to this field on every mode set process, any change in attached display devices and during boot/resume.

Reads – Graphics driver can read this field as a sanity check on display switch call from OS.

#### Relevant ACPI Methods:

\_DGS

#### Relevant ACPI OS Notifications:

Notify (VGA, 0x80) – Graphics display device switch



### 3.2.8 ASL Sleep Time-out (ASLP)

The 'ASLP' field indicates suggests maximum sleep/poll time that ASL methods can use while awaiting driver handshaking of event processing. The time (in Milliseconds) is programmed one-time by driver during OpRegion initialization. ASL may use this value to sleep before issuing another graphics notification or proceeding with the rest of the method. ASL **SHOULD NOT** sleep on ASL notifications entirely consumed by OS (i.e., graphics driver does not receive any calls).

**Table 3-25. Mailbox 1 ASLP**

Offset (Bytes)	Size (Bytes)	Access
1A0h	004h	SB = R ASL = R GD = W
<b>Bits [31:0] - ASL Sleep Time Out</b> These bits provide the maximum sleep time in milliseconds (Integer decimal). 00000000h = No driver suggestion. ASL code to use internal default. 00000001h - 0FFFFFFFh = Driver suggested sleep/poll time.		

#### System BIOS Access:

Writes/Reads – System BIOS POST code does not use this field.

Writes – System BIOS ASL code should not write to this field.

Reads – System BIOS ASL can read this field anytime to support sleep in its methods. System BIOS can either use a single sleep instruction for the specified amount of time or break the sleep interval into time slices (recommended) and periodically check for driver status in between.

**Note:** It is very important for ASL code to not be placed in a sleep mode for long amounts of time between notifications to OSPM; therefore the use of the ASL Sleep Time Out should be limited only to methods where it is absolutely necessary.

#### Driver Access:

Writes – Graphics driver writes to this field once during boot process.

Reads – Graphics driver should not read this field.

#### Relevant ACPI Methods:

All methods.

#### Relevant ACPI OS Notifications:

Notify (VGA, 0x80) – Graphics display device switch.



### 3.2.9 Toggle Table Index (TIDX)

The 'TIDX' is the ASL specified Toggle Table index that needs to be used by graphics driver to determine the next display device combination. ASL can dynamically change this value prior to sending to a display switch notification to OS. This is for handling multiple hot-key designs.

**Note:** The value in TIDX must be non-zero in order for the driver to update the NADL field.

**Table 3-26. Mailbox 1 TIDX Field**

Offset (Bytes)	Size (Bytes)	Access
1A4h	004h	SB = R/W ASL = R/W GD = R
<b>Bits [31:0] - Toggle Table Index</b> These bits provide the display device toggle table to use when finding the next display device for a display toggle hot key (Integer decimal) 00000000h = Use Toggle Table 1 00000001h = Use Toggle Table 2 00000002h = Use Toggle Table 3 00000003h = Use Toggle Table 4 All other values = Reserved		

#### System BIOS Access:

Writes – System BIOS POST or ASL code writes to this field. System BIOS should send a display switch notification to OS before writing a new value in this field.

Reads – System BIOS POST or ASL code can read this field.

#### Driver Access:

Writes – Graphics driver should not write into this field.

Reads – Graphics driver reads this field.

#### Relevant ACPI Methods:

All methods.

#### Relevant ACPI OS Notifications:

Notify (VGA, 0x80) – Graphics display device switch.





### 3.2.10 Current Hot Plug Enable Indicator (CHPD)

The 'CHPD' field indicates if graphics driver currently supports Hot Plug monitor detection i.e., Monitor attachment/detachment causes IGD PCI Interrupt generation. Hot plug support can be disabled and re-enabled dynamically based on operating conditions. To avoid latencies incurred by display enumeration process, ASL code should trigger re-enumeration notification (notify (VGA, 0)) only if Hot-Plug support is disabled.

This Hot Plug Enable Indicator is not a representation state of each and every display device type or encoder in the platform. Rather this is a global flag and the Driver should set this field if at least one display device or encoder in the platform does not support hot-plug feature or have its hot-plug feature disabled.

OS Dependency: System BIOS should trigger re-enumeration notification only for those operating systems that do not support Hot-Plug based re-enumeration for example, Microsoft Windows\* 2000 and Windows XP. Re-enumeration trigger logic in System BIOS **MUST** be disabled for all the Operating Systems supporting Hot-Plug (e.g., Windows\* Longhorn and above) but can handle the Hot-Plug disabled scenarios.

**Table 3-27. Mailbox 1 CHPD Field**

Offset (Bytes)	Size (Bytes)	Access
1A8h	004h	SB = R ASL = R GD = W
<b>Bits [31:0] - Current Hot Plug Enable Indicator</b> These bits indicate if graphics driver currently supports Hot Plug monitor detection i.e., Monitor attachment/detachment causes IGD PCI Interrupt generation. 00000000h = Hot Plug support disabled 00000001h = Hot Plug support enabled 00000002h - 0FFFFFFFh = Reserved		

#### System BIOS Access:

Writes – System BIOS POST or ASL code should not write into this field.

Reads – System BIOS POST or ASL code can read this field.

#### Driver Access:

Writes – Graphics driver writes into this field.

Reads – Graphics driver reads this field.

#### Relevant ACPI Methods:



All methods.

**Relevant ACPI OS Notifications:**

Notify (VGA, 0x0) – Display re-enumeration.

### 3.2.11 Current Lid State Indicator (CLID)

The 'CLID' field indicates whether Lid is currently open or closed. Lid state updates rules:

- Prior to graphics driver load to provide the initial state of the lid to the driver.
- After graphics driver load every time Lid is opened or closed i.e., on a Lid event.

For post graphics driver load scenario, Lid State change also needs to be notified to Graphics driver prior to notify (VGA, 80). While ASLE interrupt would be 1 mechanism, the suggested mechanism is notify (VGA, 0) to perform re-enumeration. This is because graphics driver anyway has to perform a re-enumeration to inform OS of LFP availability/unavailability.

Graphics driver during enumeration also sets up the 'Next Active Display Devices' entry accordingly. ASL code should disregard the 'Current Hot Plug Enable' indicator in this case.

Also, since GMCH can support 2 LFP devices, Lid states need to be reported at any point of time for each of the LFP devices supported via \_DOD. Refer to \_DOD ACPI Device ID's doc for information on how to determine ACPI ID's for Integrated and External LFP.

**Table 3-28. Mailbox 1 CLID Field**

Offset (Bytes)	Size (Bytes)	Access
1ACh	004h	SB = R/W ASL = R/W GD = R
<b>Bits [31:2] - Reserved</b> Must be zero <b>Bits [1:0] - LFP Lid State</b> These bits contain the lid state of an integrated LFP 00 = All LFP lids are closed 01 = Integrated LFP lid is open 10 = External LFP lid is open 11 = Both Integrated LFP and External LFP lid are open		

**System BIOS Access:**

Writes – System BIOS POST or ASL code writes this field.

Reads – System BIOS POST or ASL code can read this field.

**Driver Access:**

Writes – Graphics driver should not write into this field.

Reads – Graphics driver reads this field.

**Relevant ACPI Methods:**

All methods.

**Relevant ACPI OS Notifications:**

Notify (VGA, 0x80) - Graphics display switch. Notify (VGA, 0x0) - Display re-enumeration.

### 3.2.12 Current Docking State Indicator (CDCK)

The 'CDCK' field indicates whether mobile laptop is currently docked to the docking station or not.

- Prior to graphics driver load to provide the initial state of the docking information to the driver.
- After graphics driver load every time dock/un-dock event happens.

**Table 3-29. Mailbox 1 CDCK Field**

Offset (Bytes)	Size (Bytes)	Access
1B0h	004h	SB = R/W ASL = R/W GD = R
<b>Bits [31:0] - Current Docking State Indicator</b> These bits indicate whether the system is currently docked to a docking station or not 00000000h = Mobile system is not docked to Docking Station 00000001h = Mobile system is docked to Docking Station 00000002h - 0FFFFFFFh = Reserved		

**System BIOS Access:**

Writes – System BIOS POST or ASL code will write into this field.

Reads – System BIOS POST or ASL code can read this field.



**Driver Access:**

Writes – Graphics driver should not write into this field.

Reads – Graphics driver reads this field.

**Relevant ACPI Methods:**

All methods.

**Relevant ACPI OS Notifications:**

Notify (VGA, 0x80) - Graphics display switch.

Notify (VGA, 0x00) - Display re-enumeration.

### 3.2.13 Sx State Resume (SXSX)

The 'SXSX' field informs ASL code to issue a Display Switch notification on Sx State resume. Upon a resume from S3/S4 power states, Graphics driver sets DRDY = 1 when it's ready to process graphic notifications from ASL. Just prior to setting DRDY if graphics driver determines output devices have changed while in low power state, it may additionally require ASL to issue a display switch notification to OS. Graphics driver sets this field as show below, if a display switch is required. ASL is required to issue a display switch notification only if the appropriate value is set. It must also clear this field as a means of acknowledging graphics driver request and to prepare for future Sx transitions.

**Table 3-30. Mailbox 1 SXSX Field**

Offset (Bytes)	Size (Bytes)	Access
1B4h	004h	SB = R/W ASL = R/W GD = W
<b>Bits [31:0] - Display Switch Notification</b> These bits inform ASL code to issue a Display Switch notification on Sx State resume 00000000h = Don't issue Display Switch notification 00000001h = Issue Display Switch Notification 00000002h - 0FFFFFFFh = Reserved		

**System BIOS Access:**

Writes – System BIOS POST or ASL code can write into this field.

Reads – System BIOS POST or ASL code can read this field.

**Driver Access:**

Writes – Graphics driver writes into this field.

Reads – Graphics driver should not read from this field.

**Relevant ACPI Methods:**

All methods.

### 3.2.14 ASL Supported Events (EVTS)

The 'EVTS' field lists supported events in ASL code. This field is for driver informational (Diagnostic) purposes only. The 'EVTS' field has identical mapping to 'CEVT' field.

**Table 3-31. Mailbox 1 EVTS Field**

Offset (Bytes)	Size (Bytes)	Access
1B8h	004h	SB = R/W ASL = R/W GD = R
<b>Bits [31:3] - Reserved</b> Must be zero <b>Bits [2] - Dock/Undock</b> This bit contains information on if the Dock/Undock event bit is supported or not 0 = Event not supported 1 = Event supported <b>Bits [1] - Lid Open/Close</b> This bit contains information on if the Lid Open/Close event bit is supported or not 0 = Event not supported 1 = Event supported <b>Bits [0] - Display Switch Hot-Key Press</b> This bit contains information on if the Display Switch Hot-Key Press event bit is supported or not 0 = Event not supported 1 = Event supported		

**System BIOS Access:**

Writes – System BIOS POST or ASL code can write into this field.

Reads – System BIOS POST or ASL code can read this field.



**Driver Access:**

Writes – Graphics driver should not write into this field.

Reads – Graphics driver reads from this field.

**Relevant ACPI Methods:**

All methods.

### **3.2.15 Current OS Notifications (CNOT)**

The 'CNOT' field indicates what OS notification is about to be issued to service the current event. This field is for diagnostic purpose only.



Table 3-32. Mailbox 1 CNOT Field

Offset (Bytes)	Size (Bytes)	Access
1BCh	004h	SB = R/W ASL = R/W GD = RW
<p><b>Bits [31:5] - Reserved</b> Must be zero</p> <p><b>Bits [4] - Undocked State</b> This bit contains information on if the Undocked State is about to be issued by the OS to service the current event 0 = No service 1 = Currently servicing this event</p> <p><b>Bits [3] - Docked State</b> This bit contains information on if the Docked State is about to be issued by the OS to service the current event 0 = No service 1 = Currently servicing this event</p> <p><b>Bits [2] - Lid State</b> This bit contains information on if the Lid State is about to be issued by the OS to service the current event 0 = No service 1 = Currently servicing this event</p> <p><b>Bits [1] - Re-enumerate</b> This bit contains information on if the Re-enumerate is about to be issued by the OS to service the current event 0 = No service 1 = Currently servicing this event</p> <p><b>Bits [0] - Display Switch</b> This bit contains information on if the Display Switch is about to be issued by the OS to service the current event 0 = No service 1 = Currently servicing this event</p>		

**NOTE:** Only 1 bit can be selected at a time.



### System BIOS Access:

Writes – System BIOS POST or ASL code can write into this field.

Reads – System BIOS POST or ASL code can read this field.

### Driver Access:

Writes – Graphics driver writes into this field.

Reads – Graphics driver reads from this field.

### Relevant ACPI Methods:

All methods.

## 3.2.16 Driver Status (NRDY)

The 'NRDY' field indicates a reason for driver NOT ready of OS notification status. The Graphics driver is free to define its own codes except code documented here. This field is for diagnostic purposes only.

Table 3-33. Mailbox 1 NRDY Field

Offset (Bytes)	Size (Bytes)	Access
1C0h	004h	SB = R ASL = R GD = W
<b>Bits [31:0] - Driver Error Status</b> These bits indicate a reason for driver NOT ready of OS notification status 00000000h = Driver Not Initialized 00000001h = Display Switch blocked – Executing 3D Application 00000002h = Display Switch blocked – Overlay Application Active 00000003h = Display Switch blocked – Full-Screen DOS Active 00000004h = In Power Transition 00000005h = Resource In Use (DDC/I2C/GMBUS ) 00000006h = Display Switch blocked – Extended Desktop Active 00000007h = Fatal failure – Registry/internal data structures corrupted 00000008h - 00000100h = Reserved 00000101h - 0FFFFFFFh = Reserved for graphics driver use		

**NOTE:** It is possible that multiple factors could be contributing for a given failure condition. However, Graphics Driver will be updating this field with the primary reason error code that contributed to the failure.



**System BIOS Access:**

Writes – System BIOS POST or ASL code cannot write into this field.

Reads – System BIOS POST or ASL code can read this field

**Driver Access:**

Writes – Graphics driver writes into this field.

Reads – Graphics driver reads from this field.

**Relevant ACPI Methods:**

All methods

### 3.3 Mailbox 2: Software SCI Interface

The Software SCI mailbox differs from the other mailboxes in that instead of passive data storage it contains the software SCI mechanism entry and exit interface parameters. The software SCI mechanism is described in a later chapter (see Chapter 4 “Software SCI”).

The entry and exit parameters are the command, status, and data of private ACPI methods invoked by graphics driver using hardware SCI mechanism.

The format of the software SCI parameters is closely modeled after the legacy GMCH SMI Interface Specification 1.3 (including Update C) is help with the implementation. However, some commands and functions have been removed or updated. An equivalent register to the ERRSTS register is not required since ERRSTS, although defined to be part of SMI calls, is not used.

**Table 3-34. OpRegion Mailbox 2 (Software SCI Interface) Layout**

Mailbox 2 (Software SCI Interface) Fields	Size (Bytes)	Offset (Bytes)	Access
<b>SCIC</b> Software SCI entry and exit parameters	4	0 512 (200h)	SB = n/a ASL = R/W GD = R/W
<b>PARM</b> Software SCI additional parameters	4	4 516 (204h)	SB = n/a ASL = R/W GD = R/W
<b>DSLP</b> Driver Sleep Time Out	4	8 520	SB = W ASL = n/a



Mailbox 2 (Software SCI Interface) Fields	Size (Bytes)	Offset (Bytes)	Access
		(208h)	GD = R
<b>RM21</b> Reserved (must be zero)	240	12 524 (20Ch)	SB = WO ASL = n/a GD = n/a

**NOTES:**

1. It is the responsibility of graphics driver to clear this mailbox entirely after ASL has completed servicing a request.
2. Offset column: The first number is relative to Mailbox 2, and the second number is relative to the start of the OpRegion.

The individual mailbox fields are described below.

### 3.3.1 Software SCI Entry/Exit Parameters (SCIC)

The 'SCIC' data contains the software SCI mechanism main entry function and sub-function code set by the graphics drivers. It also contains the returning function success or fail status as set by ALS code.

Besides the function parameters, the 'SCIC' data contains a software SCI active indicator. The graphics driver sets this bit before activating an SCI indicating to other client software that the SCI is in use. In turn, the ASL function clears this bit indicating that the requested function is complete.



Table 3-35. Mailbox 2 SCIC Field (Entry: Graphics Driver writes and ASL reads)

Offset (Bytes)	Size (Bytes)	Access
200h	004h	SB = N/A ASL = R/W GD = R/W
<p><b>Bits [31:16] - Reserved</b> Must be zero</p> <p><b>Bits [15:8] - Sub-function Code</b> These bits contain the sub-function codes of a main function category. The sub-function code definition can be found in the Software SCI mechanism description chapter.</p> <p><b>Bits [7:5] - Reserved</b> Must be zero</p> <p><b>Bits [4:1] - Main Function Code</b> These bits contain the main function codes. Use the sub-function with this value to get a specific function.</p> <p>0 - 3 = Reserved 4 = Get BIOS Data 5 = Reserved 6 = System BIOS Callbacks 7 - 15 = Reserved</p> <p><b>Bits [0] - Software SCI Indicator</b> This bit contains a software SCI issued indicator. The actual SCI trigger is via SWSCI register. Graphics driver simply sets this bit to identify it's the graphics driver that triggered the SCI to prevent another client from issuing an SCI. After ASL services the request, it must clear this bit.</p>		



Table 3-36. Mailbox 2 SCIC Field (Exit: ASL writes and graphics driver reads)

Offset (Bytes)	Size (Bytes)	Access
200h	004h	SB = N/A ASL = R/W GD = R/W
<p><b>Bits [31:16] - Reserved</b> Must be zero</p> <p><b>Bits [15:8] - Exit Parameter</b> These bits contain exit parameter where applicable based on function</p> <p><b>Bits [7:5] - Exit Result</b> These bits contain the exit results (status) from the function call 000 = Failure: Generic, Unsupported, or Unknown cause 001 = Success: indicates to the client, that the call was successfully completed 010 = Failure: Invalid parameter 011 = Not used 100 = Failure: Critical 101 = Not used 110 = Failure: Non-critical 111 = Not used</p> <p><b>Bits [4:1] - Reserved</b> Must be zero</p> <p><b>Bits [0] - Software SCI Indicator</b> This bit contains a software SCI serviced indicator. The ASL code clears this bit upon servicing the SCI.</p>		

**System BIOS Access:**

Writes – ASL populates the exit result and exit parameters where applicable. ASL must clear the SWSCI serviced indicator bit [0] when before returning from the SCI.

Reads – ASL reads this field to determine the function, sub-function and SWSCI triggered indicator bit [0].

**Driver Access:**

Writes – Graphics drivers will populate the function, sub-function and set the SWSCI indicator bit [0] when requesting system information or executing a call-back.

Reads – Graphics drivers will read this field to determine the exit result, exit parameters and to determine the completion of the SCI through the SWSCI serviced bit [0].



### 3.3.2 Additional Parameters (PARM)

The 'PARM' data contains the software SCI mechanism additional function parameters. This parameter field can be Input or Output to both components (driver and ASL) – depending on command.

**Note:** This 'PARM' memory location is not to be confused with 'PARM' register in legacy SMI implementations.

**Table 3-37. Mailbox 2 (offset 4/516/204h) PARM Field**

Offset (Bytes)	Size (Bytes)	Access
204h	004h	SB = W ASL = N/A GD = R
<b>Bits [31:0] - Function Parameter</b> These bits hold extra function parameter bit for input or output of a software SCI function call.		

### 3.3.3 Driver Sleep Timeout (DSLTP)

This field is written once by the System BIOS during initialization with a time out value of the SCI handler to respond back. Driver has to poll for the response of SCI for the maximum time out period specified by this field. On timeout driver has to consider this as failure and return back the failure status.

Timeout Unit will be in milliseconds.

If BIOS has not populated any value for SCI Timeout, then Driver would use default value of 2ms.

**NOTES:**

1. If SCI response time out is > 2ms or number of SCIs is > 5 in CS Resume scenario, then it would cross the limit for SCI execution time budget within graphics response time for CS resume – thus increasing graphics response time, so adhering to Platform Response logo requirements of 300ms may take an impact and Graphics Driver expects these values to be within stipulated limits to get the right Response times.
2. With a higher value for Timeout mentioned, there will be no functional impact for features but the resume time could potentially increase based on the time taken for actual SCI execution time. The increased execution time may impact platform response logo requirements and hence it is advisable to keep the number of SCIs and SCI execution time within boundaries.



Table 3-38. Mailbox 2 DSLP Field

Offset (Bytes)	Size (Bytes)	Access
208h	004h	SB = W ASL = N/A GD = R
<b>Bits [31:0] - Driver Sleep Time Out Value</b> These bits hold the driver sleep time out value 00000000h = Driver shall use its internal default timeout value 00000001h - 0FFFFFFFh = Driver shall use this timeout value		

**System BIOS Access:**

System BIOS writes this value once during initialization (POST).

**Driver Access:**

Graphics driver reads this value and uses it as the timeout value when polling for SCI call completion.

### 3.4 Mailbox 3: BIOS to Driver Notification

The BIOS to Driver Notification mailbox is intended to support BIOS to Driver event notification or data storage for BIOS to Driver data synchronization purpose.

Table 3-39. OpRegion Mailbox 3 (BIOS to Driver Notification) Layout

Mailbox 3 (Power Conservation) Fields	Size (Bytes)	Offset (Bytes)	Access
<b>ARDY</b> Driver Readiness	4	0 768 (300h)	SB = R ASL = R GD = W
<b>ASLC</b> ASLE Interrupt Command/Status	4	4 772 (304h)	SB = R/W ASL = R/W GD = R/W
<b>TCHE</b> Technology enabled indicator	4	8 776 (308h)	SB = n/a ASL = R GD = R/W
<b>ALSI</b> Current ALS Illuminance reading (in lux)	4	12 780 (30Ch)	SB = W ASL = W GD = R
<b>BCLP</b> Backlight Brightness Request	4	16 784 (310h)	SB = W ASL = W GD = R



Mailbox 3 (Power Conservation) Fields	Size (Bytes)	Offset (Bytes)	Access
<b>PFIT</b> Panel Fitting Request	4	20 788 (314h)	SB = W ASL = W GD = R
<b>CBLV</b> Current Brightness Level	4	24 792 (318h)	SB = W ASL = R GD = W
<b>BCLM</b> Backlight Brightness Level Duty Cycle Mapping Table	40	28 796 (31Ch)	SB = W ASL = n/a GD = R
<b>CPFM</b> Current Panel Fitting Mode	4	68 836 (344h)	SB = n/a ASL = R GD = W
<b>EPFM</b> Enabled Panel Fitting Modes	4	72 840 (348h)	SB = n/a ASL = R GD = W
<b>PLUT</b> Panel LUT Header	1	76 844 (34Ch)	SB = n/a ASL = RW GD = R
<b>PLUT (continued)</b> Panel Identifier	10	77 845 (34Dh)	SB = n/a ASL = RW GD = R
<b>PLUT (continued)</b> LUT Table of 7x9	63	87 855 (357h)	SB = n/a ASL = RW GD = R
<b>PFMB</b> PWM Frequency and Minimum Brightness	4	150 918 (396h)	SB = n/a ASL = W GD = R
<b>CCDV</b> Color Correction Default Values	4	154 922 (39Ah)	SB = W ASL = n/a GD = R
<b>PCFT</b> Power Conservation Features	4	158 926 (39Eh)	SB = W ASL = n/a GD = R
<b>SROT</b> Supported Rotation Angles	4	162 930 (3A2h)	SB = W ASL = n/a GD = R



Mailbox 3 (Power Conservation) Fields	Size (Bytes)	Offset (Bytes)	Access
<b>IUER</b> Intel Ultrabook™ Event Register	4	166 934 (3A6h)	SB = W ASL = W GD = R
<b>FDSS</b> DSS Buffer address allocated for IFFS feature	8	170 938 (3AAh)	SB = W ASL = W GD = R
<b>FDSP</b> Size of DSS buffer	4	178 946 (3B2h)	SB = W ASL = W GD = R
<b>STAT</b> State Indicator. This field will help in indicating states for various features as they come	4	182 94A (3B6h)	SB = W ASL = n/a GD = R
<b>RM31</b> Reserved (must be zero)	69	186 94E (3BAh)	SB = n/a ASL = n/a GD = n/a

**NOTE:** Offset column: The first number is relative to Mailbox 3, and the second number is relative to the start of the OpRegion.

### 3.4.1 Driver Readiness (ARDY)

The 'ARDY' field indicates whether graphics driver is ready to process power conservation messages from System BIOS/ASL code. The System BIOS/ASL code shall only activate an ASLE driver interrupt when this field indicates the driver is ready. Graphics driver may not be ready for example, during initialization and resume or at the time of Full-Screen DOS. If optionally given, the reason why graphics driver is not ready is indicated in the 'NRDY' field.

System BIOS ASL code has several options if graphics driver is loaded but not ready:

1. Avoid initiating any interrupts/messages that are expected to be handled by the Graphics Driver.
2. Sleep/Poll DRDY for driver readiness, Timeout if driver not ready after a specified interval of time

If Graphics driver is not loaded yet but OSPM is ready, System BIOS can fail ACPI Video Extensions gracefully.





Table 3-40. Mailbox 3 ARDY Field

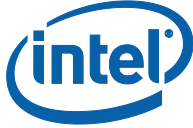
Offset (Bytes)	Size (Bytes)	Access
300h	004h	SB = R, ASL = R, GD = W
<b>Bits [31:16] - Driver Not Ready Reason</b> Reason the driver is not ready 0000h = Driver is not loaded/initialized 0001h – Graphics Adapter in Power Transition. During power transition to/from lower state, the driver will not be able to handle any ASLE interrupt calls. 0002h – Fatal failure – Registry/Internal Data structure corrupted. 0003h – 0FFFFh – Reserved.		
<b>Bits [15:1] - Reserved</b> Must be zero		
<b>Bits [0] - ARDY (driver ready) bit</b> Indicates the driver readiness to accept ASLE interrupt calls 1 = Ready 0 = Not Ready (see Bits 31:16 for reason)		

### 3.4.2 ASLE Interrupt Command (ASLC)

The 'ASLC' field describes the requested functionality associated with an ASLE interrupt. The interrupt initiator shall set this field along with any required fields depending on requested functionality before setting the ASLE interrupt PCI register. ASL code shall only trigger an interrupt if the 'ARDY' field indicates the driver is ready. Finally, ASL code polls this field for command completion status from driver.

Table 3-41. Mailbox 3 ARLC Field

Offset (Bytes)	Size (Bytes)	Access
304h	004h	SB = R, ASL = R, GD = W



**Bits [31:28] - Reserved**

Must be zero

**Bits [27:26] – ISCT State Change Response**

Return response for ISCT State change interrupt from Driver

00 = Success, requested functionality completed

01 = Failed, general failure

10-11 = Reserved

**Bits [25:24] – Docking Indicator Response**

Return response from Docking Indicator event interrupt

00 = Success, requested functionality completed

01 = Failed, general failure

10-11 = Reserved

**Bits [23:22] – Convertible Indicator Response**

Return response from Convertible Indicator event interrupt

00 = Success, requested functionality completed

01 = Failed, general failure

10-11 = Reserved

**Bits [21:20] – Button Array Response**

Return response from Button Array event interrupt

00 = Success, requested functionality completed

01 = Failed, general failure

10-11 = Reserved

**Bits [19:18] – Indicating Change in Supported Rotation Angles Response Return Response from ASLE interrupt**

00 = Success, requested functionality completed

01 = Failed, general failure

10 – 11 = Reserved

**Bits [17:16] – PWM Frequency/Minimum Brightness Return Response**

Return response from ASLE interrupt

00 = Success, requested functionality completed

01 = Failed, general failure

10 - 11 = Reserved

**Bits [15:14] - Panel Fitting Return Response**

Return response from ASLE interrupt

00 = Success, requested functionality completed

01 = Failed, general failure

10 - 11 = Reserved

**Bits [13:12] - Set Backlight Brightness Return Response**

Return response from ASLE interrupt

00 = Success, requested functionality completed

01 = Failed, general failure

10 - 11 = Reserved

**Bits [11:10] - Set ALS Illuminance Return Response**



Return response from ASLE interrupt

00 = Success, requested functionality completed

01 = Failed, general failure

10 - 11 = Reserved

**Bits [9] - Reserved**

Must be zero

**Bits [8] – ISCT State Change Indicator**

Requests Gfx to turn on Display Devices as System has to be moved to S0 mode from current S0-ISCT mode

0 = No Request

1 = ISCT State Change Request

**Bits [7] – Docking Indicator**

Requests a Docking Indicator event be serviced

0 = No request

1 = Docking Indicator event request

**Bits [6] – Convertible Indicator**

Requests a Convertible Indicator event be serviced

0 = No request

1 = Convertible Indicator event request

**Bits [5] – Button Array**

Requests a Button Array event be serviced

0 = No request

1 = Button Array event request

**Bits [4] – Indicating Change in Supported Rotation Angles**

**Requests a setting of the Supported Rotation angles state (See 'SORT' field)**

0 = No request or serviced

1 = Change in Supported Rotation Angles Requested

**Bits [3] – Set PWM Frequency/Minimum Brightness**

Requests a setting of the PWM freq/Min brightness state (Refer "PFMB" field)

0 = No request or serviced

1 = Set PWM freq/Min brightness state requested

**Bits [2] - Panel Fitting**

Requests a panel fitted state (see the 'PFIT' field)

0 = No request or serviced

1 = Set panel fitting state requested

**Bits [1] - Set Backlight Brightness**

Requests a setting of the backlight brightness level (see the 'BCLP' field for levels requested)

0 = No request or serviced

1 = Set backlight brightness requested

**Bits [0] - Set ALS Illuminance**

Requests a setting of the ALS Illuminance level (see the 'ALSI' field for levels requested)

0 = No request or serviced

1 = Set backlight brightness requested



### 3.4.3 Technology Enabled Indicator (TCHE)

The 'TCHE' field indicates which technologies are enabled (corresponding bit is set). ASL code shall only trigger interrupts if corresponding technology is enabled. The graphics driver will write this field to indicate its capabilities.

**Note:** The OpRegion fields associated with the defined technologies must be set to valid values. They may be initialized by the system BIOS during POST or by the ASL. The TCHE field, however, should only be written by the graphics driver.

**Table 3-42. Mailbox 3 TCHE Field**

Offset (Bytes)	Size (Bytes)	Access
308h	004h	SB = N/A, ASL = R, GD = R/W



Offset (Bytes)	Size (Bytes)	Access
<p><b>Bits [31:9] - Reserved</b> Must be zero</p> <p><b>Bits [8] – Driver Support for ISCT</b> 0 = No Support for ISCT in Driver 1 = Support for ISCT in Driver Driver would follow the ISCT path only when BIOS also reports support</p> <p><b>Bits [7] – Docking Indicator Support</b> 0 = No docking indicator event support 1 = Docking indicator event is supported This field is populated by Driver to indicate Driver's support for this feature. Driver has to figure platform support for this via IoRegisterPnPXX call for the known GUID.</p> <p><b>Bits [6] – Convertible Indicator Support</b> 0 = No convertible indicator support 1 = Convertible indicator is supported This field is populated by Driver to indicate Driver's support for this feature. Driver has to figure platform support for this via IoRegisterPnPXX call for the known GUID.</p> <p><b>Bits [5] – Button Array Support</b> 0 = No button array support 1 = Button array is supported This field is populated by Driver to indicate Driver's support for this feature. Driver has to figure platform support for this via IoRegisterPnPXX call for the known GUID.</p> <p><b>Bits [4] – Supported Rotation Angles support</b> 0 = No Supported Rotation Angles support 1 = Supported Rotation Angles is supported This bit is populated by BIOS to indicate of Feature support as Driver always supports Rotation as a feature and there is no need for Driver to indicate this feature support to BIOS</p> <p><b>Bits [3] – PFMB (PWM Frequency and Minimum Brightness) Technology</b> This bit indicates the PFMB technology is enabled 0 = PFMB technology is not enabled 1 = PFMB Fitting technology is enabled</p> <p><b>Bits [2] - Panel Fitting Enable</b> This bit indicates the panel fitting technology is enabled 0 = Panel Fitting technology is not enabled 1 = Panel Fitting technology is enabled</p> <p><b>Bits [1] - BLC Enable</b> This bit indicates the BLC technology is enabled 0 = BLC technology is not enabled 1 = BLC technology is enabled</p> <p><b>Bits [0] - ALS Enable</b> This bit indicates the ALS technology is enabled 0 = ALS technology is not enabled 1 = ALS technology is enabled</p>		



### 3.4.4 Current ALS Illuminance Reading (ALSI)

The 'ALSI' field contains the current ALS illuminance reading.

**Note:** This field shall be set prior to an ASLE interrupt being initiated that requests illuminance to be set.

Table 3-43. Mailbox 3 ALSI Field

Offset (Bytes)	Size (Bytes)	Access
30Ch	004h	SB = W, ASL = W GD = R
<b>Bits [31:0] - Illuminance Reading</b> These bits contain the current ALS illuminance reading (in lux) 00000000h = Current reading is below sensor range, or no value set 00000001h - 0FFFFFFFh = Current illuminance reading 0FFFFFFFh = Current reading is above sensor range		

### 3.4.5 Backlight Brightness (BCLP)

The 'BCLP' field holds the backlight brightness to be set. Since this field is used by the graphics driver at initialization, power management states, and power policy changes it should be keep current at all times even when ARDY says driver is not ready.

**Note:** In order to determine the correct value to write to this field, the ASL should read the value in the Current Brightness Level field described below.

**Note:** After setting this field the ASL code initiates an ASLE interrupt that requests the new backlight be set.

Table 3-44. Mailbox 3 BCLP Field

Offset (Bytes)	Size (Bytes)	Access
310h	004h	SB = W, ASL = W, GD = R



Offset (Bytes)	Size (Bytes)	Access
<b>Bits [31] - Field Valid Bit</b> These bits indicated if the other bits in this field are valid 0 = Not Valid (i.e., other field bits are not valid) 1 = Valid (i.e., other field bits are valid) <b>Bits [30:0] - Backlight Brightness</b> 00000000h = Indicates minimum brightness (0%) 00000001h - 000000FEh = Current backlight brightness (i.e., Value * 100/255) 000000FFh = Indicates maximum brightness (100%) 00000100h - 07FFFFFFEh = Reserved		

### 3.4.6 Panel Fitting (PFIT)

The 'PFIT' field holds the requested panel fitting mode. Panel fitting is the horizontal and vertical stretching or centering of a mode resolution on a local flat panel with a larger resolution. The ASL code writes this field to request a mode change. The graphics driver reads this field to service the request. In order to determine the next available mode, the ASL code should use both the Current Panel Fitting Mode (CPFM) and the Enabled Panel Fitting Mode (EPFM) fields, described below.

**Note:** This field shall be set prior to an ASLE interrupt being initiated that requests panel fitting to be set.

**Table 3-45. Mailbox 3 PFIT Field**

Offset (Bytes)	Size (Bytes)	Access
314h	004h	SB = W, ASL = W, GD = R



Offset (Bytes)	Size (Bytes)	Access
<b>Bits [31] - Field Valid Bit</b> These bits indicated if the other bits in this field are valid 0 = Not Valid (i.e., other field bits are not valid) 1 = Valid (i.e., other field bits are valid) <b>Bits [30:4] - Reserved</b> Must be zero <b>Bits [3] – Maintain Aspect Ratio (Cannot be set if any other mode is set)</b> Aspect Ratio is maintained 0 = Do not maintain aspect ratio 1 = Maintain aspect ratio <b>Bits [2] - Graphics Mode Stretching</b> Stretch graphics modes whenever they are set and can be stretched 0 = Do not stretch graphics modes 1 = Stretch graphics modes <b>Bits [1] - Text Mode Stretching</b> Stretch text modes whenever they are set and can be stretched 0 = Do not stretch text modes 1 = Stretch text modes <b>Bits [0] - Center (Cannot be set if any other mode is set)</b> Centers a smaller mode resolution within a larger local flat panel resolution 0 = Centering not requested 1 = Center Mode on Panel		

**Note:** While this specification allows for a distinction between text stretched and graphics stretched, currently stretched mode applies to both graphics and text; therefore both the text and graphics mode stretching bits should be set to request stretched mode.

### 3.4.7 Current Brightness Level (CBLV)

The 'CBLV' field holds the current brightness level. System BIOS initializes this field prior to the OS loading. This field is then updated by the graphics driver in response to all backlight changes and is used by the ASL code in determining the value to be written to the backlight brightness (BCLP) field.

**Note:** No ASLE interrupt is to be triggered in relation to this field. The ASL code should only read from and never write to this field.

**Table 3-46. Mailbox 3 CBLV Field**

Offset (Bytes)	Size (Bytes)	Access
318h	004h	SB = W, ASL = R, GD = W





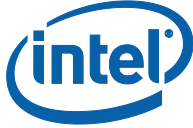
Offset (Bytes)	Size (Bytes)	Access
<b>Bits [31] - Field Valid Bit</b> These bits indicated if the other bits in this field are valid 0 = Not Valid (i.e., other field bits are not valid) 1 = Valid (i.e., other field bits are valid) <b>Bits [30:0] - Current Brightness Level</b> 00000000h = Indicates minimum brightness (0%) 00000001h - 00000063h = Current backlight brightness (percentage) 00000064h = Indicates maximum brightness (100%) 00000065h - 07FFFFFFEh = Reserved		

### 3.4.8 Backlight Brightness Level Duty Cycle Mapping Table

The Backlight Brightness Level Duty Cycle Mapping Table is a static table that maps brightness levels (in percentage) to the desired inverter duty cycles for a specific design. This table is created by the System BIOS during POST and is read by the graphics driver to support brightness level control. Brightness level control is invoked through the OS interface, not through an ASL method. No ASLE interrupt is triggered and no additional ASL code is required. The Backlight Brightness Level Duty Cycle Mapping Table is referenced as 'BCLM' in this document.

Mailbox 3 defines the space for a BCLM table as 40 bytes. This allows for a table with a maximum of twenty 16-bit entries. Each entry will consist of a brightness percentage level and a corresponding duty cycle value as described below. OEM initialization of the BCLM table is optional.

The table can be initialized with only the minimum mapping ("0%"), only the maximum mapping ("100%"), only the minimum and maximum mappings, or all the brightness levels desired to be mapped. Entry order does not matter, however a null entry will be interpreted as the end of the table. No termination is required if all twenty available entries are consumed.



To support OS-allowed percentage levels which do not have specified duty cycle mappings, the brightness level will be calibrated against the minimum and maximum duty cycles. The minimum duty cycle will default to 0 if a "0%" mapping is not provided. The maximum duty cycle will default to 255 if a "100%" mapping is not provided. If this table is not implemented the mapping for the 0% to 100% brightness levels will be calibrated against the inverter range of 0 to 255.

**Note:** The BCLM Table is currently used for Windows Vista\* backlight brightness level control DDI support only. This field applies to I<sup>2</sup>C\* and PWM inverters only.

Table 3-47. Mailbox 3 BCLM Table

Offset (Bytes)	Size (Bytes)	Access
31Ch	028h	SB = W, ASL = N/A, GD = R
<b>Bit [15] - Field Valid Bit</b> These bits indicated if the other bits in this field are valid 0 = Not Valid (i.e., other field bits are not valid) 1 = Valid (i.e., other field bits are valid) <b>Bits [14:8] - Brightness Level in Percentage</b> 00h = Indicates minimum brightness (0%) 01h - 63h = Intermediate backlight brightness (percentage) 64h = Indicates maximum brightness (100%) 65h - 07Fh = Reserved <b>Bits [7:0] – Desired Duty Cycle</b> 00h – 0FFh = Valid values		

### 3.4.9 Current Panel Fitting Mode (CPFM)

The 'CPFM' field holds the current panel fitting mode. Panel fitting is the horizontal and vertical stretching or centering of a mode resolution on a local flat panel with a larger resolution. This field is initialized by the graphics driver upon loading and is written by the graphics driver whenever the panel fitting mode changes. It is read by the ASL code to determine what mode is to be requested next in response to a panel fitting hot key event.

**Note:** For backward compatibility, the ASL code need not reference the CPFM field if the attached panel supports only stretched and centered modes. In this case the ASL code may use the current PFIT value to determine the next mode and toggle between stretched and centered.

Table 3-48. Mailbox 3 CPFM Table

Offset (Bytes)	Size (Bytes)	Access
344h	004h	SB = N/A, ASL = R, GD = W



Offset (Bytes)	Size (Bytes)	Access
<b>Bits [31] - Field Valid Bit</b> These bits indicated if the other bits in this field are valid 0 = Not Valid (i.e., other field bits are not valid) 1 = Valid (i.e., other field bits are valid) <b>Bits [30:4] - Reserved</b> Must be zero <b>Bits [3] – Aspect Ratio Mode (Will not be set if any other mode is set)</b> 0 = Current mode is not aspect ratio 1 = Current mode is aspect ratio <b>Bits [2] – Stretched Graphics Mode</b> 0 = Current mode is not stretched graphics 1 = Current mode is stretch graphics <b>Bits [1] – Stretched Text Mode</b> 0 = Current mode is not stretched text 1 = Current mode is stretch text <b>Bits [0] – Centered Mode (Will not be set if any other mode is set)</b> 0 = Current mode is not centered 1 = Current mode is centered		

### 3.4.10 Enabled Panel Fitting Modes (EPFM)

The 'EPFM' field indicates which panel fitting modes are enabled. Modes are enabled based on panel capabilities as presented to the graphics driver through the VBT settings. This field is written the graphics driver upon loading. It is read by the ASL code to determine if a mode is available prior to requesting that mode. This is done in response to a panel fitting hot key event.

**Note:** For backward compatibility, the ASL code need not reference the EPFM field if the attached panel supports only stretched and centered modes. In this case the ASL code may use the current PFIT value to determine the next mode and toggle between stretched and centered.

**Table 3-49. Mailbox 3 EPFM Field**

Offset (Bytes)	Size (Bytes)	Access
348h	004h	SB = N/A, ASL = R, GD = W



Offset (Bytes)	Size (Bytes)	Access
<b>Bits [31] - Field Valid Bit</b> These bits indicated if the other bits in this field are valid 0 = Not Valid (i.e., other field bits are not valid) 1 = Valid (i.e., other field bits are valid) <b>Bits [30:4] - Reserved</b> Must be zero <b>Bits [3] – Aspect Ratio Mode (Will not be set if any other mode is set)</b> 0 = Maintain aspect ratio not enabled 1 = Maintain aspect ratio enabled <b>Bits [2] - Graphics Mode Stretched</b> 0 = Stretched graphics mode not enabled 1 = Stretched graphics modes enabled <b>Bits [1] - Text Mode Stretched</b> 0 = Stretched text mode not enabled 1 = Stretched text mode enabled <b>Bits [0] – Centered Mode</b> 0 = Centering mode not enabled 1 = Center mode enabled		

### 3.4.11 Panel LUT and Identifier (PLUT)

For EDID-less panels, OEM can optionally load the LUT (Look Up Table) for the panel to optimize the color.

For any type of panel, an SBIOS ACPI OpRegion based approach is possible where the SBIOS indicate the LCD panel identifier and the LUT (optionally) via OpRegion Mailbox 3 (Driver to SBIOS communication mailbox). Since the first and last row of LUT will be 0's and 255's, one doesn't need to store them in a mailbox. This translates to  $7 \times 9 = 63$  bytes of mailbox space. A header will be there for the panel identifier and LUT. This will be followed by the 10 byte panel identifier and an optional LUT of 63 bytes. The panel identifier is of the same format as used by EDID 1.3

**Table 3-50. Mailbox 3 LUT Header**

Offset (Bytes)	Size (Bytes)	Access
34Ch	001h	SB = N/A, ASL = RW, GD = R



Offset (Bytes)	Size (Bytes)	Access
<b>Bits [7:4] - Reserved</b> <b>Bits [3] – Override registry LUT (if any)</b> 0 = No action 1 = Override LUT data from registry (if any) <b>Bits [2] - LUT Valid</b> 0 = LUT table is not valid 1 = LUT table is valid <b>Bits [1] - Override System BIOS Identifier</b> 0 = Ignore the following Panel Identifier 1 = If panel has EDID, driver creates a fake EDID with the provided Panel Identifier and the timing information from actual EDID. <b>Bits [0] – Use System BIOS Panel Identifier</b> 0 = Ignore the following Panel Identifier 1 = If panel is non-EDID, driver uses the provided Panel Identifier while building the fake EDID.		

#### 3.4.11.1 Panel Identifier

10 bytes of Panel Identifier are shown below. Refer to the EDID 1.3 spec for details.

**Table 3-51. Panel Identifier (In Byte)**

Offset (Bytes)	Size (Bytes)	Access
34Dh	00Ah	SB = N/A, ASL = RW, GD = R
<b>Bytes [9] – Year of Manufacture</b> <b>Bytes [8] – Week of Manufacture</b> <b>Bytes [7:4] – Serial Number</b> <b>Bytes [3:2] – Product ID</b> <b>Bytes [1:0] – Manufacturing ID</b>		

#### 3.4.11.2 Panel LUT Table

Offset (Bytes)	Size (Bytes)	Access
357h	03Fh	SB = N/A, ASL = RW, GD = R

Panel LUT Table of 7x9 (63 bytes) – Row indicates old gray levels, column indicates new gray levels.



### 3.4.12 PWM Frequency and Minimum Brightness (PFMB)

The 'PFMB' field holds the PWM frequency and corresponding minimum brightness to be set. Since this field is used by the graphics driver at boot, runtime, power management states, and power policy changes it should be kept current at all times even when ARDY says driver is not ready.

**Note:** This field shall be set prior to an ASLE interrupt being initiated that requests PWM Frequency and Minimum Brightness to be set.

**Note:** This field is supported from OpRegion Version (refer to [Section 3.1.3](#)) = 2.0 forward.

Table 3-52. Mailbox 3 PFMB Field

Offset (Bytes)	Size (Bytes)	Access
396h	004h	SB = N/A, ASL = W, GD = R
<b>Bits [31] – PWM Frequency Field Valid Bit</b> These bits indicated bits[30:9] in this field are valid 0 = Not Valid (i.e., other field bits are not valid) 1 = Valid (i.e., other field bits are valid) <b>Bits [30:9] – PWM Frequency</b> PWM Frequency in Hz <b>Bits [8] – Minimum Brightness Field Valid Bit</b> These bits indicated bits[7:0] in this field are valid 0 = Not Valid (i.e., other field bits are not valid) 1 = Valid (i.e., other field bits are valid) <b>Bits [7:0] – Minimum Brightness</b> Minimum Brightness value, 0 to 255 0: Minimum 255: Maximum		

### 3.4.13 Color Correction Default Values (CCDV)

The 'CCDV' field holds the Gamma, Brightness and Contrast values that System BIOS wants to apply.

**Note:** This field is supported from OpRegion Version (refer to [Section 3.1.3](#)) = 2.1 forward.

Driver and BIOS are sticking to 2.0 version itself and hence currently OVER would still be 2.0 where these fields would be working. If the Driver or BIOS is having older version, the respective fields would be 0 and hence no problem with backward compatibility.



Table 3-53. Mailbox 3 CCDV Field

Offset (Bytes)	Size (Bytes)	Access
39Ah	004h	SB = W, ASL = N/A, GD = R
<p><b>Bits [31:24] – Reserved</b></p> <p><b>Bits [23] Contrast Field Valid</b>            These bits indicate whether there is a valid Contrast value specified or not            0 = Contrast value not specified            1 = Contrast value specified            Note: If this bit is not set to '1', System BIOS should ignore the Contrast Value at Bits[22:16]</p> <p><b>Bits [22:16] – Contrast Value</b>            This value contains the actual contrast value. The range of the value is 40 to 100</p> <p><b>Bits [15] –Brightness Field Valid</b>            These bits indicate whether there is a Brightness Field specified or not            0 = Brightness Field not specified            1 = Brightness Field specified            Note: If this bit is not set to '1', System BIOS should ignore the Brightness Field at Bits[14:8]</p> <p><b>Bits [14:8] – Brightness Value</b>            This value contains the actual brightness value + 60. The range of the value is 0 to 160. (for actual brightness range from -60 to 100)</p> <p><b>Bits [7] – Gamma Filed Valid</b>            These bits indicate whether there is a Gamma Field specified or not            0 = Gamma Field not specified            1 = Gamma Field specified</p> <p><b>Bits [6:0] – Gamma Value</b>            This value contains the actual gamma value *10. The range of the value is 10 to 50. (for actual gamma range from 0.1 to 0.5)</p>		

### 3.4.14 Power Conservation Features (PCFT)

The 'PCFT' field holds the power conservation related features settings.

**Note:** This field is supported from OpRegion Version (refer to [Section 3.1.3](#)) = 2.0 forward.

Table 3-54. Mailbox 3 PCFT Field

Offset (Bytes)	Size (Bytes)	Access
39Eh	004h	SB = W, ASL = N/A, GD = R



Offset (Bytes)	Size (Bytes)	Access
<b>Bits [31] - Field Valid Bit</b> These bits indicated if the other bits in this field are valid 0 = Not Valid (i.e., other field bits are not valid) 1 = Valid (i.e., other field bits are valid) <b>Bits [30:1] - Reserved</b> <b>Bits [0] – Cantiga GS45 Operating Mode</b> 0 = Indicates low power mode 1 = Indicates high power mode		

### 3.4.15 Supported Rotation Angles (SROT)

The 'SROT' field indicates which Rotation Angles are to be supported in the system.

**Note:** This field is supported from OpRegion Version (refer to [Section 3.1.3](#)) = 3.0 forward.

Driver and BIOS are sticking to 2.0 version itself and hence currently OVER would still be 2.0 where these fields would be working. If the Driver or BIOS is having older version, the respective fields would be 0 and hence no problem with backward compatibility.

**Table 3-55. Mailbox 3 SROT Field**

Offset (Bytes)	Size (Bytes)	Access
3A2h	004h	SB = W, ASL = N/A, GD = R
<b>Bits [31] - Field Valid Bit</b> These bits indicated if the other bits in this field are valid. Driver to look for other bits only if this bit is set. 0 = Not Valid (i.e., other field bits are not valid) 1 = Valid (i.e., other field bits are valid) <b>Bits [30:4] – Reserved (Must be zero)</b> <b>Bits[3] – ROTATION 270</b> 0 = 270 degree Rotation is not supported 1 = 270 degree Rotation is supported <b>Bits[2] – ROTATION 180</b> 0 = 180 degree Rotation is not supported 1 = 180 degree Rotation is supported <b>Bits[1] – ROTATION 90</b> 0 = 90 degree Rotation is not supported 1 = 90 degree Rotation is supported <b>Bits [0] – Rotation 0</b> 0 = 0 degree Rotation is not supported 1 = 0 degree Rotation is supported		





### 3.4.16 Intel Ultrabook™ Event Register (IUER)

The 'IUER' field holds the current status of all the supported Ultrabook™ events.

**Note:** This field is supported from OpRegion Version (refer to [Section 3.1.3](#)) = 2.0 forward.

**Table 3-56. Mailbox 3 IUER Field**

Offset (Bytes)	Size (Bytes)	Access
3A6h	004h	SB = W, ASL = W, GD = R
<b>Bits [31:8] – Reserved</b> <b>Bits [7] – Docking Indicator status</b> 0 = Docking Indicator is in undocked mode 1 = Docking Indicator is in docked mode <b>Bits [6] – Convertible Indicator status</b> 0 = Convertible Indicator is in slate mode 1 = Convertible Indicator is in Laptop (clamshell) mode <b>Bits [5] – Reserved</b> <b>Bits [4] – Rotation Lock Button status</b> 0 = Rotation Lock Button has not been pressed 1 = Rotation Lock Button has been pressed <b>Bits [3] – Volume Down Button status</b> 0 = Volume Down Button has been released 1 = Volume Down Button has been pressed <b>Bits [2] – Volume Up Button status</b> 0 = Volume Up Button has released 1 = Volume Up Button has been pressed <b>Bits [1] – Windows Button status</b> 0 = Windows Button has not been pressed 1 = Windows Button has been pressed <b>Bits [0] – Power Button status</b> 0 = Power Button has not been pressed 1 = Power Button has been pressed		



### 3.4.17 FDSS

The FDSS field holds the Address of DSS Buffer allocated by BIOS for IFFS Feature. The address field is of 8bytes size. A non zero value here is an indication to Driver here that IFFS feature is supported in the platform and it should ensure Driver works accordingly.

**Note:** This field is supported from OpRegion Version (refer to Section 3.1.3) = 2.0 forward.

Table 3-57. Mailbox 3 FDSS Field

Offset (Bytes)	Size (Bytes)	Access
3AAh	008h	SB = W, ASL = W, GD = R
Bits [64:0] Address of DSS Buffer		

### 3.4.18 FDSP

The 'FDSP field holds the size of DSS Buffer allocated.

This field is supported from OpRegion Version (refer to Section 3.1.3) = 2.0 forward.

Table 3-58. Mailbox 3 FDSP Field

Offset (Bytes)	Size (Bytes)	Access
3B2h	004h	SB = W, ASL = W, GD = R
Bits [32:0] Size of DSS Buffer		

### 3.4.19 STAT

The STAT Indicator holds the values of States based on feature.

Table 3-59.. Mailbox 3 STAT Field

Offset (Bytes)	Size (Bytes)	Access
3B6h	004h	SB = W, ASL = W, GD = R



Offset (Bytes)	Size (Bytes)	Access
<b>Bits [32:2] Reserved (Must be zero)</b> <b>Bits [1:0] State Indicator</b> 00 = Normal Resume to S0\ Resume to S0 when ISCT Interrupt comes 01 = S0-ISCT Resume 02/03 = Reserved		

### 3.5 Mailbox 4: Video BIOS Table (VBT)

The Video BIOS Table (VBT) is a block of customizable data that is originally built into the video BIOS binaries. This table is updated using an object code editor at a customer's site before the ROM is burned to the firmware hub. The data in the VBT is used by graphic (i.e., drivers, video BIOS, system BIOS, and ASL) software to activate/deactivate feature or adjust parameter data (e.g., display mode, display timing, etc.).

The VBT is copied to the memory OpRegion to remove the need for any graphics software to use INT 10h or INT 15h services to extract its data which is one of the SCI/OpRegion design goals.

**Table 3-60. OpRegion Mailbox 4 (Video BIOS Table (VBT)) Layout**

Mailbox 4 (VBT) Fields	Size (Bytes)	Offset (Bytes)	Access
<b>GVD1</b> General VBT Data	Size of VBT	0 1024 (400h)	SB = R/WO ASL = n/a GD = R
<b>RM41</b> Reserved (must be zero)	6144 - Size of VBT	Size of VBT 1024 + Size of VBT	SB = WO ASL = n/a GD = n/a

**NOTE:** Holds a maximum of 6 KB of Raw VBT data (not Video BIOS image).

#### 3.5.1 Video BIOS Table (VBT) Usage

The Video BIOS Table (VBT) is a block of customizable "platform specific" data that is originally built into the video BIOS binaries. This table is updated using an object code editor (BMP – BIOS Modification Program) at a customer's site before the ROM is burned into the firmware hub. The data in the VBT is used by graphic (i.e., drivers, video BIOS, system BIOS, and ASL) software to activate/deactivate feature or adjust



parameter data (e.g., display mode timing, display timing, GPIO pin settings, clock timings, etc.).

The VBT is copied to the memory OpRegion to remove the need for any graphics software to use INT 10h or INT 15h services to extract its data which is one of the SCI/OpRegion design goals. It also removes the need to build in the extra VBT binary into the system BIOS binaries saving firmware hub space.

### 3.5.1.1 Requirements Summary

The following table lists the VBT fetching requirements for System BIOS and Graphics drivers supporting the OpRegion model. For Video BIOS requirements, refer to Video BIOS Architecture specification.

**Table 3-61. VBT Requirements Summary**

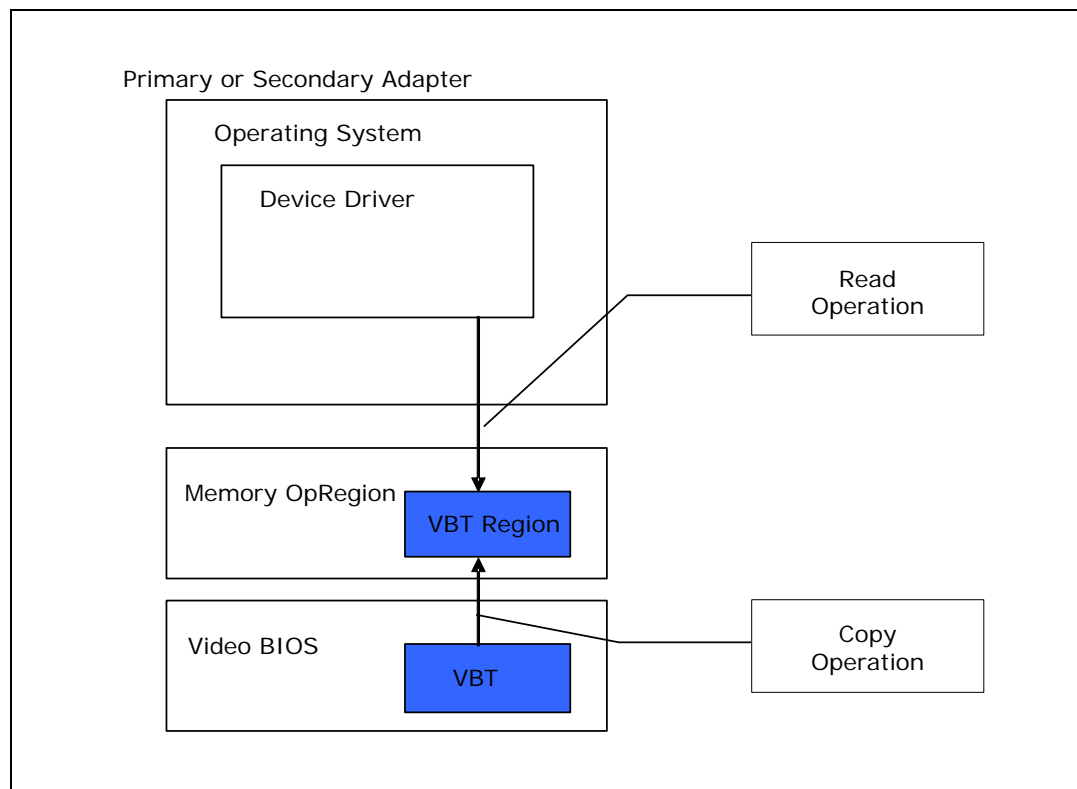
Requirement	System BIOS	Graphics Driver
VBT Fetch: OpRegion Method	Yes	Yes
VBT Fetch: Legacy Method	No	Yes (for legacy chipsets only)
VBT Fetch: Method	Scan/Copy from FWH to VBT Region in OpRegion	Get from VBT Region in OpRegion
VBT Fetch: IGD Primary & Secondary adapter support	Yes	Yes
VBT Fetch: Time	During System BIOS POST after Video BIOS POST	During Driver Initialization
VBT Fetch: S-state transitions	S5->S0 and S4->S0 (Support scenario where user may discard hibernate data and boot normally)	S5->S0
VBT Region: OpRegion	Yes	Yes
VBT Region: Accessibility	Write once by System BIOS	Read, may update in driver initialization for second adapter support
Communication with Video BIOS	No	No
VBT Modification at run-time	No	Only during initialization for secondary adapter

### 3.5.1.2 VBT OpRegion Model

A System BIOS supporting the VBT OpRegion model does not need to support any of the previous methods for supplying VBT data to the graphics drivers. Graphics drivers, however, need to support both the OpRegion and legacy methods because driver stacks are unified binaries supporting legacy platforms.

In the OpRegion model, driver retrieves the VBT block using a single method regardless of whether IGD is primary or secondary adapter. This is accomplished by obtaining the VBT block via the Memory VBT region that is set up with the VBT block by System BIOS during its POST.

**Figure 3-1. VBT Instances and Flow**



## 3.6 Mailbox 5: BIOS to Driver Notification Extension

The BIOS to Driver Notification mailbox is intended to support BIOS to Driver event notification or data storage for BIOS to Driver data synchronization purpose.



Table 3-62. OpRegion Mailbox 5 (BIOS to Driver Notification Extension) Layout

Mailbox 5 (BIOS to Driver Notification Extension) Fields	Size (Bytes)	Offset (Bytes)	Access
<b>PHED</b> Panel Header	4	0 7168 (1C00h)	SB = R ASL = R GD = W
<b>BDDC</b> Panel EDID (DDC data)	256	4 7172 (1C04h)	SB = R ASL = R GD = R/W
<b>RM51</b> Reserved (must be zero)	764	132 7428 (1D04h)	SB = n/a ASL = n/a GD = n/a

**NOTE:** Offset column: The first number is relative to Mailbox 5, and the second number is relative to the start of the OpRegion.

### 3.6.1 Panel Header (PHED)

The PHED field indicates whether the Panel EDID data in BDDC field is valid.

**Note:** This field and the BDDC field are populated for LVDS panel only.

**Note:** This field is supported from OpRegion Version (refer to [Section 3.1.3](#)) = 2.0 forward.

Table 3-63. Mailbox 3 PHED Field

Offset (Bytes)	Size (Bytes)	Access
1C00h	004h	SB = R, ASL = R, GD = W
<b>Bits [31:2] – Reserved</b> <b>Bits [1:0] –PHED Bit</b> These bits indicate 128 bytes or 256 bytes of Panel EDID is valid 0 = Not Valid 1 = 128 bytes Panel EDID Valid 2 = 256 bytes Panel EDID Valid		

### 3.6.2 Panel EDID Block (BDDC)

The BDDC field contains 256 bytes of Panel EDID data storage. If PHED indicates only 128 bytes are valid, the remaining 128 bytes are reserved.

**Note:** This field is supported from OpRegion Version (refer to [Section 3.1.3](#)) = 2.0 forward.

**Relevant ACPI Methods:**

\_DDC can use this field in conjunction with PHED to return EDID for an EDID less panel.

**Table 3-64. Mailbox 3 BDDC Field**

Offset (Bytes)	Size (Bytes)	Access
1C04h	0100h	SB = R, ASL = R, GD = R/W
<b>Bits [31:2] – Reserved</b> <b>Bits [1:0] –Panel EDID Valid Bit</b> These bits indicated 128 bytes or 256 bytes of Panel EDID (BDDC field) is valid 0 = Not Valid 1 = 128 bytes of Panel EDID Valid 2 = 256 bytes of Panel EDID Valid		



## 4 Software SCI Mechanism

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Where the OpRegion is a passive memory block mechanism, the Software SCI (System Control Interrupt) is a dynamic interrupt driven client and server mechanism. In this mechanism, the client is the Graphics drivers and the server is the SCI handler and other associated functions written in ASL code and supplied by the System BIOS. Basically, the Software SCI mechanism is a hardware interrupt that is activated by Intel graphics drivers passing control to an ASL interrupt handler giving platform-generic drivers access to platform-specific functionality without entering any SMM or other special processor mode.

The graphics driver uses coded parameters described in the OpRegion Mailbox 2 to indicate desired platform specific ASL functionality. It then triggers an SCI interrupt by setting Bit 0 of the SWSCI register to a 1 (must transition from 0 to 1 - set to 0 state by ASL handler). Finally, it polls SCIC OpRegion data Bit 0 until it returns to a 0 indicating that the service request has completed.

**Note:** Graphics driver should examine Bit 0 of the SCIC OpRegion data to assure it is a 0 - indicating another client is not already using the mechanism.

The ASL software SCI handler will firstly determine the source of the SCI. After determining the source is a software triggered SCI, it performs the requested function and set exit parameters in the same set of OpRegion data parameters. Before exiting, the ASL handler sets the SCI interrupt (SWSCI Bit 0) to a 0 indicating it has serviced the request.

### 4.1 Software SCI Parameters

The parameter interface was designed to closely mirror the legacy SMI/MBI interface as a convenience to the firmware programmers.

The entry and exit parameters for software SCI mechanism are from the coded use of OpRegion Mailbox 2 data bits in 'SCIC' and 'PARM'. The SCIC field indicated as Entry is used to pass parameters from the client caller to the function service code, and must be filled in with valid parameters prior to triggering the entry into the software SCI handler. The SCIC field marked as Exit is used to pass parameters from the function service code back to the Client Caller.





### 4.1.1 Entry: Function Codes

Function codes are broken down into two parts the main function code (SCIC bits [4:1]) and the sub-function code (SCIC bits [14:8]). The following table describes the main function codes. Refer to the main function child section for detail sub-function calls.

**Table 4-1. SWSCI Main Function Codes**

Bits [4:1]	Description	System Requirements	Client-Caller Requirements
0-3	Reserved	Reserved	Reserved
4	Get BIOS Data	Some Functions Required	Required
5	Reserved	Reserved	Reserved
6	System BIOS Callbacks	Optional	Required if "Requested System Callbacks" indicates implemented
7~15	Reserved	Reserved	Reserved

### 4.1.2 Exit: Call Status Results

The following exit result will be set by ASL function before returning back to the client from the SCI handler indicating the success or failure of the interface call. This bit is set to a 0 by the Client, before the Client performs the call. This ensures that the caller clearly understands the return value, and it will be distinguishable from the return value of an incorrect or non-existent SWSCI Handler.

**Table 4-2. Function Call Exit Result**

Bits [7:5]	Value	Description
Exit Result	1	Success: indicates to the client, that the call was successfully completed
	0	Failure, Generic, Unsupported or Unknown cause
	2	Failure, Invalid Parameter
	4	Failure, Critical
	6	Failure, Non-Critical



## 4.2 Software SCI Function Descriptions

The following are implemented as private ACPI methods to handle the Software SCI. Note that all these methods are implemented in ASL and will be executing in the AML context at runtime.

Method	Description
OPRN	OpRegion/Software SCI Interrupt Handler
GBDA	Get BIOS Data
SBCB	System BIOS Call-Backs

### 4.2.1 Get BIOS Data (GBDA)

The Get BIOS Data method is made up of a set of functions that fetch data from the system BIOS (e.g., setup options, platform configuration data, etc.).

SCIC Field “Main Function Code” = 0100

SCIC Field “Sub-Functions Code” = as follows:

**Table 4-3. GBDA Sub-Functions**

Data Index	Data Name	Data Output
0	Supported Calls	Lists the supported Get BIOS Data sub-functions
1	Requested Callbacks	Requested System BIOS Callbacks
2 - 3	Reserved	Reserved
4	Boot Display Preferences	For example, CRT, DVO-A, DVO-B, or DVO-C
5	Panel Details	Returns Panel Details
6	Reserved	Reserved
7	Internal Graphics	VGA or non-VGA Functions: 1, 2 (Multi-Head or Multi-Device) Graphics Memory Size (DVMT) Core Speed
8 – 9	Reserved	Reserved
10	Spread Spectrum Clocks	Enable and select spread spectrum clocks
11	Get AKSV	Get HDCP AKSV Data (in manufacturing)

**NOTE:** Other configuration data is available from the VBT data structure.



## 4.2.2 Supported Calls

This function can be called to discover which “Get BIOS Data” sub-functions are supported. It may only return success if the return value accurately lists supported sub-functions.

### Input:

**SCIC:** Bits [31:0] = 00000009h

**PARM:** Bits [31:0] = 0

### Output:

**SCIC:** Bits [31:8] = 0

Bits [7:5] = Result Error Code

Bits [4:0] = 0

**PARM:** Bits [31:10] = Supported Sub-functions.

**Table 4-4. PARM - 0009h Output - Supported Sub-functions**

**Bits [31:11] - Reserved**

Reserved (must be zero)

**Bits [10] – Get AKSV**

Get AKSV from HDCP keys in manufacturing mode

**Bits [9] - Spread Spectrum Clocks**

Spread Spectrum Clock information

**Bits [8:7] - Reserved**

Reserved (must be zero)

**Bits [6] - Internal Graphics**

Internal Graphics information

**Bits [5] - TV-Standard and Video-Connector**

TV-Standard and Video-Connector information

**Bits [4] - Get Panel Details**

Get panel detail information

**Bits [3] - Get Boot Display Preference**

Get boot display preference information

**Bits [2:1] - Reserved**

Reserved (must be zero)

**Bits [0] - Requested System Callbacks**

Callback function that the system BIOS is requesting the Graphics driver to make



**NOTE:** A returned Bit value of 1 indicates a supported sub-function.

### 4.2.3 Requested System Callbacks

The graphics driver will read this value to discover which of the optional System BIOS Callbacks should be used. The graphics driver should then make use of the requested callback interface at the appropriate event (refer to [Section 4.2.9, System BIOS Callbacks](#), for details). Note that clients should not make such callbacks on the associated event, if no callback request is indicated herein.

This function is required even if no callbacks are requested. If no callbacks are required, this function would return all zero "0h" indicating no callbacks are requested, and thereafter none of the callbacks will be called.

#### Input:

**SCIC:** Bits [31:0] = 00000109h

**PARM:** Bits [31:0] = 0

#### Output:

**SCIC:** Bits [31:8] = 0

Bits [7:5] = Exit Result

Bits [4:0] = 0

**PARM:** Bits [31:0] = Requested Callback Sub-functions



**Table 4-5. PARM - 0109h Output - Requested Callback Sub-Functions**



Bits [31:23] - Reserved  
**Reserved (must be zero)**  
Bits [22] –Core Display Clock Change Notification  
**Called to program the Audio dividers on Dev3 whenever CD clock changed**  
Bits [21] – Enable Disable Audio  
**Called to enable/ disable Audio**  
Bits [20] – Set PAVP Data  
**Called to set PAVP data**  
Bits [19] - Post VBE/PM Callback  
**Called after the video BIOS performs VBE power management functions**  
Bits [18] - Set Spread Spectrum Clocks  
**Call to set the Spread Spectrum Clock Feature**  
Bits [17] - Suspend/Resume  
**APM Suspend/Resume Completed**  
Bits [16] - Post Hi-Res to DOS FS  
**Switch to DOS Full-Screen**  
Bits [15:12] - Reserved  
**Reserved (must be zero)**  
Bits [11] - Set Internal Graphics  
**Sets the BIOS Setup-option (Non-Volatile) affecting boot-time setup of the Internal Graphics including Pre-Allocated Memory, Legacy-Free, Two-Function Mode**  
Bits [10] - Set Panel Details  
**Sets the BIOS Setup-option (Non-Volatile) affecting boot-time Panel preference**  
Bits [9] - Set Boot Display Preference  
**Sets the BIOS Setup-option (Non-Volatile) affecting boot-time Display preference**  
Bits [8] - Display Power State  
**Called for VESA VBE/PM and is also used for CS Entry and Exit**  
Bits [7] - Adapter Power State  
**Called for Adapter PCI PM State Transition : Dx to D0 or D0 to Dx**  
Bits [6] - Set TV Format  
**Set NTSC, PAL, SECAM or Other Setup-option (Non-Volatile)**  
Bits [5] - Display Switch  
**Called when a Display Switch transition is occurring**  
Bits [4] - Post-Hires Set Mode  
**Call after setting a new mode**  
Bits [3] - Pre-Hires Set Mode  
**Call before setting a new mode**  
Bits [2] - Reserved  
**Reserved (must be zero)**  
Bits [1] - Initialization Completion  
**Initialization Completion Notification**  
Bits [0] - Reserved



Reserved (must be zero)
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**NOTE:** A returned Bit value of 1 indicates a supported sub-function.

## 4.2.4 Boot Display Preferences

Assuming the GMCH's Internal Graphics is enabled, this field will indicate which display device will be the Primary Boot Display Device. Only this Display will show the Video BIOS POST and DOS/Windows Boot Screen. Other Display Devices will be unaffected.

**Note:** The System BIOS setup may offer the end-user selection using other terms such as "CRT", "Local Flat Panel", "External Flat-Panel", "Television", "External Flat-Panel #2", and so on. With the exception of the Integrated CRT, or Integrated LVDS, these options typically do not have a fixed relationship to Display-Ports, and are platform-implementation specific. The caller will pass-in the known supported associations in the Display Port Device (i.e., hardware encoder type) Type Mask.

In the case where one Display Port can support multiple Displays (e.g., from a DVI/TV combination Encoder, a.k.a. "Combo Codec"), the Input fields for the "Port Display Device Type" Masks will indicate all of the Display Types supported by the Encoder on the Display Port, on an individual basis.

If a Dual-Display Simultaneous (Twin/Clone) configuration is returned by the System BIOS, the selection of Primary Boot Display Device may be returned via PARM bits [15:13]. The Primary Display is the one from which the simultaneous mode and timings (in the case of Intel® Dual-Display Twin) are derived. This field does not need to be saved, or returned if ability to select a different primary device is not required – in that case a value of zero 0 (use defaults) can be passed.

### Input:

**SCIC:** Bits [31:0] = 00000409h

**PARM:** Bits [31:0] = Display Port Device Type Mask

**Table 4-6. PARM - 0409h input – Display Port Device Type Mask**

<b>Bits [31:20] - Reserved</b> Reserved (must be zero) <b>Bits [19:16] - Port 4 supported Display Device Type</b> <b>Bits [15:12] - Port 3 supported Display Device Type</b> <b>Bits [11: 8] - Port 2 supported Display Device Type</b> <b>Bits [7: 4] - Port 1 supported Display Device Type</b> <b>Bits [3:0] - Port 0 supported Display Device Type</b>
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**Device Type Mask Values for each Display Ports**

- All Bits = 0 – Unknown
- Bit[0] – CRT
- Bit[1] – TV
- Bit[2] – External Flat Panel
- Bit[3] – Internal Flat Panel

**Output:**

**SCIC:** Bits [31:9] = 0

Bits [8] = Exit Result

= 0000h, No change, or no override

= 0001h, Modified setting Flag. The new setting policy shall override other configurations (see note 3)

= 0002h - 0FFh, Reserved

Bits [7:5] = Exit Result

Bits [4:0] = 0

**PARM:** Bits [31:0] = Additional Parameters

**Table 4-7. PARM - 0409h Output - Additional Parameters**

<b>Bits [31] - Reserved</b> Reserved (must be zero)	
<b>Bits [30:16] – Selected Display Port Device Type</b>	
<b>Value</b>	<b>Details</b>
Bit[18:16]	Port-0 Display Device Type
Bit[21:19]	Port-1 Display Device Type
Bit[24:22]	Port-2 Display Device Type
Bit[27:25]	Port-3 Display Device Type
Bit[30:28]	Port-4 Display Device Type
<b>Bits [15:13] - Primary Display Device</b> Primary display device 0 = Default. No Change. Selection based on previous configuration. 1-5 = Port 0 - 4 is the Primary Display in Dual Display configurations.	
<b>Bits [12:8] - Reserved</b> Reserved (must be zero)	



**Bits [7:0] - Boot Display Bus/Device**

The following bits are the boot display device as set in non-volatile memory:

- 0 = Automatic (Refer below for details)
- 1 = Port 0 : Integrated CRT
- 2 = Port 1 : Port – A \ Integrated LVDS
- 3 = Port 2 : Port - B
- 4 = Port 3 : Port - C
- 5 = [CRT + Port - A]
- 6 = [CRT + Port - B]
- 7 = [CRT + Port - C]
- 8 = [Port – A \ Integrated LVDS \ Port - B]
- 9 = [Port – A \ Integrated LVDS \ Port - C]
- 10 = [Port – B + Port - C]
- 11 - 15 = Reserved for future use
- 16 = Port 4: Integrated TV \ Port - D
- 17 = [Integrated TV \ Port - D + CRT]
- 18 = [Integrated TV \ Port - D + LVDS]
- 19 = [Integrated TV \ Port - D + Port - B]
- 20 = [Integrated TV \ Port - D + Port - C]
- 21 - 255 = Reserved for future use

**NOTES:** (see following page)

1. If S/DVO-B/C are ganged together, for example to support Dual-Link DVI, then DVO-B (3) will be indicated.
2. If Integrated LVDS is supported in place of DVO-A, then DVO-A (2) will be indicated.
3. From ILK onwards, Integrated TV, SDVO and Dual-Link ports are removed. In their place, PortB, PortC and PortD have been introduced. Here PortB and PortC can be configured to either of DP\HDMI\DVI, PortD can also be configured as DP\HDMI\DVI, but this port can be configured for embedded DP as well but currently that is not supported.

Similarly, PortA will replace DVO-A and is associated with embedded DP device.

This is how mappings go:

DVO-A	–	Display PortA (From ILK onwards)
SDVOB	–	Display PortB
SDVOC	–	Display PortC
Integrated TV	-	Display PortD (ILK onwards)

Another point to be remembered is Integrated LVDS and embedded DP cannot coexist together, so in all the combinations involving LVDS we show a \eDP as well.

For Cantiga, Integrated TV is supported and PortD is absent and PortA for eDP is absent, except for these, all the info mentioned in this point above is applicable for Cantiga also.

4. The flag may be set if a configuration is changed and the system policy is that the new setting must override any other stored settings e.g., set via User Interface. The system



BIOS shall clear this flag if the System Callback: Set Boot Display Preference is subsequently used to store a preference.

### Automatic Display Device Selection

When the Automatic Option is selected, using Boot Display Type 0, then the actual Boot Display is determined based on the attached displays according to the following order:

- Internal Flat-Panel
  - If LFP Encoder (e.g., LVDS LCD, or All-In-One Desktop TMDS LCD) is present
  - And LCD Lid is not closed (Notebook LCD)
- CRT
  - If VGA CRT present and attached
- External Flat Panel
  - If EFP Encoder (e.g., TMDS DVI) is present
  - And EFP Display is attached
- TV
  - If TV Encoder is present
  - And TV is attached

#### 4.2.5 Get Panel Details

Assuming GMCH Internal Graphics is enabled this will indicate if Flat Panel Scaling (e.g., using the VCH) will be enabled, and which panel is used, from a list of known available panel types. It is assumed that the parameters for all of these known panel types are already coded in the Video BIOS or VBT. This information indicates which one is actually installed.

This function is optional, and is required only for platforms with an internal flat-panel (e.g., Mobile Notebooks or All-In-One Desktops). The function should return an Exit Result 0 (Failure, Unsupported) if the platform does not support this option.

#### Input:

**SCIC:** Bits [31:0] = 00000509h

**PARM:** Bits [31:0] = Panel Number



Table 4-8. PARM - 0509h Input - Panel Number

<b>Bits [31:4] - Reserved</b> Reserved (must be zero)
<b>Bits [3:0] - Panel Number</b> These bits contain the sequential index of Panel, starting at 0 and counting upwards from the first integrated Internal Flat-Panel Display Encoder present, and then from the first external Display Encoder (e.g., S/DVO-B then S/DVO-C) which supports Internal Flat-Panels. 0h - 0Fh = Panel number

**Output:**

<b>SCIC:</b>	Bits [31:9]	= 0
	Bits [8]	= Exit Result
		= 0000h, No change, or No Override
		= 0001h, Modified setting Flag or the new setting policy shall override other configuration settings (see note)
		= 0002h - 0FFh, Reserved for Future Use.
	Bits [7:5]	= Exit Result
	Bits [4:0]	= 0
<b>PARM:</b>	Bits [31:0]	= Panel Details



Table 4-9. PARM - 0509h Output - Panel Details

<b>Bits [31:23] - Reserved</b> Reserved (must be zero)
<b>Bits [22:20] - Backlight Image Adaptation (BIA) Control</b> Bits contain the backlight image adaptation control user setting from CMOS 000 = VBT Default 001 = BIA Disabled (BLC may still be enabled) 010 - 110 = BIA Enabled at Aggressiveness Level [1 - 5]
<b>Bits [19:18] - Backlight Control (BLC) Support</b> Bits contain the backlight control support user setting from CMOS 00 = VBT Default 01 = BLC & BIA Disabled 02 = BLC Enabled
<b>Bits [17] - Reserved</b>
<b>Bits [16] - Lid State</b> Bits contain the current panel lid state 0 = Lid Open 1 = Lid Closed
<b>Bits [15:8] - Panel Type</b> Bits contain the panel type user setting from CMOS 00h = Not Valid, use default Panel Type & Timings from VBT 01h - 0Fh = Panel Number
<b>Bits [7:0] - Panel Scaling</b> Bits contain the panel scaling user setting from CMOS 00h = On: Auto 01h = On: Force Scaling 02h = Off 03h = Maintain Aspect Ratio

**NOTE:** The flag may be set if a configuration is changed and the system policy is that the new setting must override any other stored settings e.g., set via User Interface. The system BIOS shall clear this flag if the "System Callback: Set Panel Preference," is subsequently used to store a preference.

## 4.2.6 Internal Graphics Settings

Assuming GMCH Internal Graphics is enabled (meaning Device 2 is present) this field will return current configuration information.

**Note:** The Speed setting may differ from the value fused into the product; typically it will be less than originally intended setting.

**Input:**



**SCIC:** Bits [15:0] = Set to 0709h

**PARM:** Bits [31:0] = 0 (Client caller must initialize to Zero before call)

### Output:

**SCIC:** Bits [31:9] = 0

Bits [8] = 0000h, No change, or no override

= 0001h, Modified setting Flag (The new setting policy shall override other configurations (see note))

= 0002h-0FFh, Reserved for Future Use.

Bits [7:5] = Exit Result

Bits [4:0] = 0

**PARM:** Bits [31:0] = Actual GMCH Configuration

Bit Fields	Value
<b>Bits [31:21] – Current Graphics Core Speed (in MHz)</b>	When multiple speeds are supported by the GMCH this field will be the “Core-Clock High” Speed
<b>Bits [20:13] – DVMT Graphics Memory Size</b>	See DVMT Graphics Memory Sizes Per Version Table Below
<b>Bits [12:11] – DVMT Version</b>	00 – DVMT 2.0 01 – DVMT 3.0 10 – DVMT 4.0 11 – DVMT 5.0
<b>Bits [10:5] – Reserved</b>	Reserved for future use
<b>Bits [4] – GMCH S3 State</b>	0 = D3-Cold (default) 1 = D3-Hot
<b>Bits [3] – SR/ RD RAM Local memory Self Refresh</b>	0 – Not Supported 1 – Self Refresh supported in power state S3, D3-Cold
<b>Bits [2] – Memory Type</b>	0 – Pre-Allocated Memory 1 – Local Memory
<b>Bits [1] – FN, Device 2 should use 1 or 2 Functions</b>	0 = 1 Function (Single or Multi-Head) 1 = 2 Functions (Multi-Function)
<b>Bits [0] – GMCH VGA Mode</b>	0 = Non-VGA 1 = VGA



Table 4-10. DVMT Graphics Memory Size's Per Version

DVMT Version	Gfx Memory B Bits[13:16]	Gfx Memory A Bits[17:20]	Combo-Mode	Memory Type
2.0 or 3.0	0 = 0 MB 1 = 32 MB 2 = 64 MB 4 = 128 MB	0 = 0 MB 1 = 32 MB 2 = 64 MB 4 = 128 MB 7 = 224 MB	YES (Valid only when Bits[20:13] = 22h)	Gfx Memory A – DVMT Memory Gfx Memory B – Fixed Memory
4.0	0 = N/A 1 = 128 MB 2 = 256 MB	0 = N/A 1 = 128 MB 2 = 256 MB 3 = 384 MB DVMT Max	NO	Gfx Memory A – DVMT Memory Gfx Memory B – Fixed Memory
5.0	0 = Reserved	0 = N/A 1 = 128 MB 2 = 256 MB 3 = DVMT Max	NA	Gfx Memory A – Total Gfx Memory

As system and graphics memory usage differ by application, OEMs have flexibility to choose the graphics memory allocation based on their own requirements. For overall performance, Intel recommends setting based on system memory size.

**Note:** Refer to the *Intel® HD Graphics – Dynamic Video Memory Technology (DVMT) 5.0 White Paper* (IBP# 444997) for more details.

**Note:** DVMT 5.0 is supported from OpRegion Version (refer to [Section 3.1.3](#)) = 2.1 onwards

#### 4.2.7 Spread Spectrum Clocks

Assuming GMCH Internal Graphics is enabled (meaning Device#2 is present) this field will return additional configuration information regarding the preferred SSC setting.

##### Input:

**SCIC:** Bits [15:0] = Set to 0A09h

**PARM:** Bits [31:0] = 0 (Client caller must initialize to zero before call)

##### Output:

**SCIC:** Bits [31:8] = 0

Bits [7:5] = Exit Result



Bits [4:0] = 0

**PARM:** Bits [31:0] = Spread Spectrum Clock Configuration

**Table 4-11. PARM - 0A09h Output - Spread Spectrum Clock Configuration**

<b>Bits [31:3] - Reserved</b>
Must be zero
<b>Bits [2:1] – SSC Frequency</b>
0 = Auto Configuration. Use VBT or Default Settings
1 = SSC Clock1
2 = SSC Clock2
3 = SSC Clock3
<b>Bits [0] - SSC Enabled</b>
0 = SSC Disabled
1 = SSC enabled

#### 4.2.8 Get AKSV

This function gets AKSV from System BIOS. In manufacturing mode, System BIOS should provide AKSV when driver invokes this SCI call. In production mode, System BIOS should write all 0s as the output to this SCI call.

**Note:** This function is needed only for Cantiga/Eaglelake. Not required for Iron Lake.

**Note:** This field is supported from OpRegion Version (refer to [Section 3.1.3](#)) = 2.0 onwards.

##### Input:

**SCIC:** Bits [15:0] = Set to 0B09h

**PARM:** Bits [31:0] = 0 (Client caller must initialize to zero before call)

##### Output:

**SCIC:** Bits [31:8] = 0

Bits [15:8] = Fifth byte of AKSV (Manufacturing mode)

= 0 (Production mode)

Bits [7:5] = Exit Result

Bits [4:0] = 0

**PARM:** Bits [31:0] = First four bytes of AKSV (Manufacturing mode)



= 0 (Production mode)

#### 4.2.9 System BIOS Callbacks

The system BIOS callback sub-functions are optional and provided solely for ensuring robustness of the system by enhancing co-operation between System BIOS and Drivers (Note: Some System BIOS callbacks are mandatory based on the feature and must not to be removed). Software shall use the Get BIOS Data function Requested System BIOS Callbacks to determine which of these interfaces is required to be called, and must not call interfaces that are not specifically requested by the System BIOS.

It is not necessary for all clients to make the callback - the drivers will own this task. If VGA is disabled, or set to Non-VGA mode, then it is assumed the Driver will perform the Callbacks. If not implemented this function should return error: Failure, indicating it is not supported.

SCIC Field "Main Function Code" = 0110

SCIC Field "Sub-Functions Code" = as follows:

**Table 4-12. SBCB Sub-Functions**

Callback	Name	Description	Note
0	Supported Callbacks	Returns a bit-mask identifying which callbacks are supported	Mandatory
1	BIOS Post Completion	POST Completion Notification	
2	Reserved	Reserved	
3	Pre-Hires Set Mode	Call before setting a new mode	
4	Post-Hires Set Mode	Call after setting a new mode	
5	Display Switch	Called when a Display Switch transition is occurring	
6	Reserved	Reserved	
7	Adapter Power State	Called for Adapter PCI PM State Transition : Dx to D0 or D0 to Dx	Mandatory
8	Display Power State	Called for VESA VBE/PM and is also used for CS Entry and Exit	Mandatory
9	Set Boot Display	Sets the BIOS Setup-option (Non-Volatile) affecting boot-time Display preference	





Callback	Name	Description	Note
10	Set Panel Details	Sets the BIOS Setup-option (Non-Volatile) affecting boot-time Panel preference	
11	Set Internal Graphics	Sets the BIOS Setup-option (Non-Volatile) affecting boot-time setup of the Internal Graphics including Pre-Allocated Memory, Legacy-Free, Two-Function Mode	
12~15	Reserved	Reserved	
16	Post Hi-Res to DOS FS	Switch to DOS Full-Screen	
17	Suspend/Resume	APM Suspend/Resume Completed	
18	Set Spread Spectrum Clocks	Call to set the Spread Spectrum Clock Feature	
19	Post VBE/PM Callback	Called after the video BIOS performs VBE power management functions	
20	Set PAVP Data	Sets PAVP data	
21	Enable Disable Audio	Enables or disables the azalia audio device based on the supplied parameter and then informs the OS to enumerate the device stack.	Mandatory
22	Core Display Clock Change	This function should be called whenever the Core Display Clock is being changed.	

**NOTE:** Some System BIOS callbacks are mandatory based on the feature and must not to be removed.

#### 4.2.10 Supported Callbacks

This function can be called to discover which callbacks are supported. This does not mean the callback is requested – clients should use the GetBIOSData Requested System Callbacks function to discover that information. Note that this function is itself new and may return an error code if unimplemented, e.g., on an older platform. This function shall only return success if the return value accurately lists supported callbacks.

##### Input:

**SCIC:** Bits [31:0] = 0000000Dh

**PARM:** Bits [31:0] = 0



**Output:**

<b>SCIC:</b>	Bits [31:8]	= 0
	Bits [7:5]	= Exit Result
	Bits [4:0]	= 0
<b>PARM:</b>	Bits [31:0]	= Supported Callback Functions



Table 4-13. PARM - 000Dh Output - Supported Callback Functions

<b>Bits [31:19] - Reserved</b>
Reserved
<b>Bits [18] –Core Display Clock Change Notification</b>
Called to program the Audio dividers on Dev3 whenever CD clock changed
<b>Bits [17] – Enable Disable Audio</b>
Called to enable/ Disable audio
<b>Bits [16] – Set PAVP Data</b>
Called to set PAVP data
<b>Bits [15] - Post VBE/PM Callback</b>
Called after the video BIOS performs VBE power management functions
<b>Bits [14] - Set Spread Spectrum Clocks</b>
Call to set the Spread Spectrum Clock Feature
<b>Bits [13] - Suspend/Resume</b>
APM Suspend/Resume Completed
<b>Bits [12] - Post Hi-Res to DOS FS</b>
Switch to DOS Full-Screen
<b>Bits [11] - Reserved</b>
Reserved (must be zero)
<b>Bits [10] - Set Internal Graphics</b>
Sets the BIOS Setup-option (Non-Volatile) affecting boot-time setup of the Internal Graphics including Pre-Allocated Memory, Legacy-Free, Two-Function Mode
<b>Bits [9] - Set Panel Details</b>
Sets the BIOS Setup-option (Non-Volatile) affecting boot-time Panel preference
<b>Bits [8] - Set Boot Display</b>
Sets the BIOS Setup-option (Non-Volatile) affecting boot-time Display preference
<b>Bits [7] - Display Power State</b>
Called for VESA* VBE/PM and is also used for CS Entry and Exit
<b>Bits [6] - Adapter Power State</b>
Called for Adapter PCI PM State Transition : Dx to D0 or D0 to Dx
<b>Bits [5] - Reserved</b>
Reserved (must be zero)
<b>Bits [4] - Display Switch</b>
Called when a Display Switch transition is occurring
<b>Bits [3] - Post-Hires Set Mode</b>
Call after setting a new mode
<b>Bits [2] - Pre-Hires Set Mode</b>
Call before setting a new mode
<b>Bits [1] - Reserved</b>
Reserved (must be zero)
<b>Bits [0] – BIOS Initialization Completion Notification</b>
Initialization Completion Notification

**NOTE:** Bit is True indicates callback is supported.



#### 4.2.11 BIOS Initialization Completion Notification

This callback function should be called after Video BIOS has completed its POST or after the performing \_PS0 method or Display Driver initializes the display adapter.

**Input:**

**SCIC:** Bits [31:0] = 0000010Dh

**PARM:** Bits [31:0] = 0 (Client caller must initialize to Zero before call)

**Output:**

**SCIC:** Bits [31:8] = 0

Bits [7:5] = Exit Result

Bits [4:0] = 0

**PARM:** Bits [31:0] = 0

#### 4.2.12 Pre-Hires Set Mode

This callback function should be called before setting a Hi-Resolution Mode.

**Input:**

**SCIC:** Bits [31:0] = 0000030Dh

**PARM:** Bits [31:0] = Mode Information

**Table 4-14. PARM - 030Dh Input - Mode Information**

**Bits [31:30] - Rotation Angle**

These bits give the clockwise rotation of the display

0 = 0°

1 = 90°

2 = 180°

3 = 270°

**Bits [29:16] - Reserved**

Reserved (must be zero)

**Bits [15:0] - Mode Number**

New mode number about to be set

**Output:**

**SCIC:**     Bits [31:8]     = 0  
             Bits [7:5]     = Exit Result  
             Bits [4:0]     = 0  
**PARM:**     Bits [31:0]     = 0

### 4.2.13 Post-Hires Set Mode

This callback function should be called after setting a Hi-Resolution Mode.

**Input:**

**SCIC:**     Bits [31:0]     = 0000040Dh  
**PARM:**     Bits [31:0]     = Mode Information

**Table 4-15. PARM - 040Dh Input - Mode Information**

<b>Bits [31:30] - Rotation Angle</b> These bits give the clockwise rotation of the display 0 = 0° 1 = 90° 2 = 180° 3 = 270° <b>Bits [29:16] - Reserved</b> Reserved (must be zero) <b>Bits [15:0] - Mode Number</b> Mode number just set
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**Output:**

**SCIC:**     Bits [31:8]     = 0  
             Bits [7:5]     = Exit Result  
             Bits [4:0]     = 0  
**PARM:**     Bits [31:0]     = 0



#### 4.2.14 Display Switch

This function call is informational only; no action is required to be taken by the System BIOS. If implementation requires, this function will be called after switching output display devices - the purpose being to inform System BIOS of any changes, in case certain display-related hardware configurations on the platform require additional System BIOS activation/deactivation. The function should return an Exit Result "2" (Failure, Invalid Parameter) if invalid settings are used.

The information is a 2x2 matrix of connection state for Display Pipes versus Output Ports – one byte for each Pipe, and eight bits within each byte for the Ports. Note that multiple Ports may be connected to a Pipe. Which Pipe is primary is indicated with Bit 7, this applies only to scenario when one of the pipes supports VGA DOS Full-Screen (not true when another adapter is the VGA).

The high order word defines which type of Display Device is attached to each of the Display Ports. In the case where one Display Port can support multiple Displays (e.g., from a DVI/TV combination Encoder, a.k.a. "Combo Codec"), the Display Device Type will indicate which of one the sub-functions of the Combo Encoder Port will be actively displaying

**Note:** It is not possible for two sub-functions with different timings to be active on one Port at the same time e.g., progressive-scan DVI, and interlaced TV cannot share the same display timings.

##### Input:

**SCIC:** Bits [31:0] = 0000050Dh

**PARM:** Bits [31:0] = Switch Display Matrix

Bit Fields	Value
<b>Bits [31] = Reserved</b>	Reserved for future use, must be zero
<b>Bits [30:16] = Attached Display Device Type (3 bits for each port)</b>	
Bits [30:28] = Port 4 active display device type	0 – CRT 1 – TV 2 – External Flat Panel 3 – Internal Flat-Panel 4–7 – Reserved for future use
Bits [27:25] = Port 3 active display device type	
Bits [24:22] = Port 2 active display device type	
Bits [21:19] = Port 1 active display device type	



Bit Fields	Value
Bits [18:16] = Port 0 active display device type	
<b>Bits [15:8] – Pipe-B Connection State</b>	Bit 0 = Port 0 : Integrated CRT (if applicable) Bit 1 = Port 1 : DVO-A, or Integrated LVDS (if applicable) Bit 2 = Port 2 : S/DVO-B, or S/DVO-B/C (e.g., Dual-Link DVI) Bit 3 = Port 3 : S/DVO-C Bit 4 = Port 4 : Integrated TV (if applicable) Bit 5:6 = Reserved. Must be zero Bit 7 = Primary Display (VGA)
<b>Bits [7:0] – Pipe-A Connection State</b>	Bit 0 = Port 0 : Integrated CRT Bit 1 = Port 1 : DVO-A, or Integrated LVDS (if applicable) Bit 2 = Port 2 : S/DVO-B, or S/DVO-B/C (e.g., Dual-Link DVI) Bit 3 = Port 3 : S/DVO-C Bit 4 = Port 4 : Integrated TV (if applicable) Bit 5:6 = Reserved. Must be zero Bit 7 = Primary Display (VGA)20 – [Integrated TV + DVOC] 21 ~ – Reserved for future use

**Output:**

**SCIC:**      Bits [31:8]      = 0  
                  Bits [7:5]        = Exit Result  
                  Bits [4:0]        = 0  
  
**PARM:**      Bits [31:0]      = 0

**Note:** Certain combinations may or may not be applicable on different chipsets, consult your Intel representative for more details.



#### 4.2.15 Adapter Power State Notification

Should be called before the Adapter (implies child devices & displays are already in a lower power state) is about to be placed in a lower Power State (D0 -> Dx), and after the Adapter is placed in a higher Power State (e.g., (Dx -> D0) e.g., by APM/ACPI).

##### Input:

**SCIC:** Bits [31:0] = 0000070Dh  
**PARM:** Bits [31:0] = Power State Data

Table 4-16. PARM - 070Dh Input - Power State Data

31	8 7	0
Reserved		Power State

**Bits [31:8] - Reserved**  
Reserved (must be zero)

**Bits [7:0] - Power State**  
Power state that is about to be set  
00h = D0  
01h = D1  
02h = D2  
04h = D3 (Cold/Hot)  
08h = D4 (Hibernate Notification)

##### Output:

**SCIC:** Bits [31:8] = 0  
Bits [7:5] = Exit Result  
Bits [4:0] = 0  
**PARM:** Bits [31:0] = 0

**Note:** When configured for Multi-Function Adapter this function is to be called before any Adapter-Functions goes to a lower state and after all Adapter-Functions go to a higher state.

**Note:** If a lid or a dock event causes a resume from S3 it is possible that the BIOS gets this notification before adapter is powered on (i.e., driver has updated DRDY="Driver is ready"). If driver is not ready when System BIOS gets the lid or dock notification, System BIOS can't issue Notify (VGA,0x80). For such cases, System BIOS will save the fact that a lid or a dock event needs further processing after the driver is ready. It can do this by saving the lid or the dock event state in some global ACPI space. When the adapter is powered on, graphics driver issues an SCI call for Adapter Power State Notification (with Power State = D0). In servicing this notification, System BIOS checks for the potential pending lid/dock event and DRDY. If





both the conditions are true, BIOS sets CEVT to indicate lid or dock event and issues Notify (VGA,0x80) notification.

#### 4.2.16 Display Power State Notification

Should be called before the Display (not adapter or child device) is about to be placed in a lower Power State (D0 -> Dx), and after the Display is placed in a higher Power State (e.g., Dx -> D0) e.g., by VESA VBE/PM DPMS, or by APM/ACPI. Display Power State Notification is also used for CS Entry and Exit.

##### Input:

**SCIC:** Bits [31:0] = 0000080Dh

**PARM:** Bits [31:0] = Power State Data

Bit Fields	Value
<b>Bits [31] = Reserved</b>	Reserved for future use, must be zero
<b>Bits [30:16] = Port Display Device Type (3 bits for each port)</b>	
Bits [30:28] = Port 4 display device type	0 – CRT 1 – TV 2 – External Flat Panel 3 – Internal Flat-Panel 4–7 – Reserved for future use
Bits [27:25] = Port 3 display device type	
Bits [24:22] = Port 2 display device type	
Bits [21:19] = Port 1 display device type	
Bits [18:16] = Port 0 display device type	
<b>Bits [15:8] – Power State</b>	00h = On 01h = Standby 02h = Suspend 04h = Off 08h = Reduced On
<b>Bits [7:0] – Display Controller Unit</b>	00h = Port 0 : Integrated CRT 01h = Port 1 : DVO-A or Integrated LVDS 02h = Port 2 : Port - B 04h = Port 3 : Port - C 08h = Port 4 : Integrated TV \ Port - D

##### Output:

**SCIC:** Bits [31:8] = 0

Bits [7:5] = Exit Result



Bits [4:0] = 0

**PARM:** Bits [31:0] = 0

**Note:** From ILK onwards, Integrated TV, SDVO and Dual-Link ports are removed. In their place, PortB, PortC and PortD have been introduced. Here PortB and PortC can be configured to either of DP\HDMI\DVI, PortD can also be configured as DP\HDMI\DVI, but this port can be configured for embedded DP as well but currently that is not supported.

Similarly, PortA will replace DVO-A and is associated with embedded DP device.

This is how mappings go:

DVO-A – Display PortA (From ILK onwards)

SDVOB – Display PortB

SDVOC – Display PortC

Integrated TV - Display PortD (From ILK onwards)

Another point to be remembered is Integrated LVDS and embedded DP cannot coexist together, so in all the combinations involving LVDS we show a \eDP as well.

For Cantiga, Integrated TV is supported and PortD is absent and PortA for eDP is absent, except for these, all the info mentioned in this point above is applicable for Cantiga also.

#### 4.2.17 Set Boot Display Preference

This function sets the Boot Display Output Device (Monitor) preference in the platform's Non-Volatile storage (e.g., CMOS RTC) - wherever the System BIOS stores its boot-time setup options. Note that the currently attached displays may be passed in the upper byte of the Parameters lower-word, this is informational purposes only. The function should return an Exit Result "2" (Failure, Invalid Parameter) if invalid parameters settings are used (e.g., an invalid display option).

**Note:** The System BIOS setup may offer the end-user selection using other terms such as "Local Flat Panel," "Digital Flat Panel," or "TV." These options do not have a fixed relationship to DVO-Ports, and are platform implementation specific – the additional information in the upper bits will indicate which Display Device Type is actually being selected.

##### Input:

**SCIC:** Bits [31:0] = 0000090Dh

**PARM:** Bits [31:0]

Bit Fields	Value
<b>Bits [31] = Extended Desktop Configuration</b>	0 = Single Display or Dual-Display Twin/Clone 1 = Dual-Display Extended Desktop
<b>Bits [30:16] = Selected Display Port Device Type (3 bits for each port)</b>	
Bits [30:28] = Port 4 type	0 – CRT



Bit Fields	Value
Bits [27:25] = Port 3 type	1 – TV 2 – External Flat Panel 3 – Internal Flat-Panel 4–7 – Reserved for future use
Bits [24:22] = Port 2 type	
Bits [21:19] = Port 1 type	
Bits [18:16] = Port 0 type	
<b>Bits [15:13] = Primary Display Device</b>	0 = Default, or not a Dual Display configuration 1~5 = Port 0 ~ 4 is the Primary Display in Dual Display configurations
<b>Bits [12:8] – Attached Display Mask (may be combined for multiple displays)</b>	{all Bits = 0} = None/Unknown Bit 8 - Port 0 : Integrated CRT Bit 9 - Port 1 : DVO-A or Integrated LVDS Bit 10 - Port 2 : S/DVO-B or S/DVO-B/C (See Note I) Bit 11 - Port 3 : S/DVO-C Bit 12 – Port 4 : Integrated TV
<b>Bits [7:0] – Boot Display Bus/Device</b>	00h = Automatic 01h = Port 0 Integrated CRT 02h = Port 1 Port – A \ Integrated LVDS 03h = Port 2 Port - B 04h = Port 3 Port - C 05h = [Port – A / Integrated LVDS + Port - B] 06h = [CRT + Port - B] 07h = [CRT + Port – C] 08h = [Port – A / Integrated LVDS + Port -B] 09h = [Port – A / Integrated LVDS + Port – B] 0Ah = [Port – B + Port - C] 10h = Port 4 [Integrated TV \ Port - D] 11h = [Integrated TV \ Port – D + CRT] 12h = [Integrated TV \ Port - D + LVDS] 13h = [Integrated TV \ Port – D + Port - B] 14h = [Integrated TV \ Port – D + Port - C] 15h ~ Reserved for future use

**Output:**

**SCIC:**      Bits [31:8]      = 0  
                  Bits [7:5]        = Exit Result  
                  Bits [4:0]        = 0



**PARM:** Bits [31:0] = 0

**Note:** If Dual-Link Mode is used then S/DVO-B will be indicated

From ILK onwards, Integrated TV, SDVO and Dual-Link ports are removed. In their place, PortB, PortC and PortD have been introduced. Here PortB and PortC can be configured to either of DP\HDMI\DVI, PortD can also be configured as DP\HDMI\DVI, but this port can be configured for embedded DP as well but currently that is not supported.

Similarly, PortA will replace DVO-A and is associated with embedded DP device. This is how mappings go:

DVO-A	–	Display PortA (ILK onwards)
SDVOB	–	Display PortB
SDVOC	–	Display PortC
Integrated TV	-	Display PortD (ILK onwards)

Another point to be remembered is Integrated LVDS and embedded DP cannot coexist together, so in all the combinations involving LVDS we show a \eDP as well.

For Cantiga, Integrated TV is supported and PortD is absent and PortA for eDP is absent, except for these, all the info mentioned in this point above is applicable for Cantiga also.

#### 4.2.18 Set Panel Preference

This function sets the Flat Panel Scaling preference in the platform's non-volatile storage (e.g., CMOS RTC) - wherever the System BIOS stores its boot-time setup options.

This function is optional, and is required only for platforms with an internal flat-panel (e.g., Mobile Notebooks or All-In-One Desktops). The function should return an Exit Result 0 (Failure, Unsupported) if not supported on the platform.

##### Input:

**SCIC:** Bits [31:0] = 00000A0Dh

**PARM:** Bits [31:0]



Bit Fields	Value
<b>Bits [31:28] – Internal Panel number</b>	The sequential index of Internal Panel, starting at 0 and counting upwards from the first integrated Internal Flat-Panel Display Encoder present, and then from the first external Display Encoder (e.g., S/DVO-B then S/DVO-C) which supports Internal Flat-Panels
<b>Bits [27:23] – Reserved</b>	Reserved for future use, must be zero
<b>Bits [22:20] – Backlight Image Adaptation (BIA) Control</b> <b>0 – VBT Default</b>	1 – BIA Disabled (BLC may still be enabled) 2~6 – BIA Enabled at Aggressiveness Level [1~5] 7 – Reserved for future use
<b>Bits [19:18] – Backlight Control (BLC) Support</b>	0 – VBT Default 1 – BLC & BIA Disabled 2 – BLC Enabled
<b>Bits [17:16] – Reserved</b>	Reserved for future use, must be zero
<b>Bits [15:8] – Panel Type</b>	0 – No update – does not change existing preferred Panel Type (in VBT) 1 ~ 16 – Panel Number
<b>Bits [7:0] – Panel Scaling</b>	0 – On: Auto 1 – On: Force Scaling 2 – Off 3 – Maintain Aspect Ratio

**Output:**

**SCIC:**      Bits [31:8]      = 0  
                  Bits [7:5]        = Exit Result  
                  Bits [4:0]        = 0  
  
**PARM:**      Bits [31:0]      = 0



#### 4.2.19 Set Internal Graphics Preference

This function will set the preferred configuration in the platform's Non-Volatile storage (e.g., CMOS RTC) - wherever the System BIOS stores its boot-time setup options. Where the speed is supplied this Speed setting may differ from the value fused into the product; and may be limited to a maximum or set to a value less than originally intended setting. The function should return an Exit Result "2" (Failure, Invalid Parameter) if invalid parameter settings are used.

##### Input:

**SCIC:** Bits [31:0] = 00000B0Dh

**PARM:** Bits [31:0] = Actual GMCH Configuration

Bit Fields	Value
<b>Bits [31:21] – Preferred Graphics Core Speed (in MHz)</b>	0 = No change Valid selections may include: 100 (064h), 166 (0A6h), 266 (10Ah), 300 (12Ch) ... etc this field will be the "Core-Clock High" Speed
<b>Bits [20:13] – DVMT Graphics Memory Size</b>	See <a href="#">Table 4-10. DVMT Graphics Memory Size's Per Version</a> and refer to Intel® HD Graphics – DVMT 5.0 white paper (IBP# 444997)
<b>Bits [12:11] – DVMT Version</b>	00 – DVMT 2.0 01 – DVMT 3.0 10 – DVMT 4.0 11 – DVMT 5.0
<b>Bits [10:3] – Reserved</b>	Reserved for future use
<b>Bits [1] – FN, Device 2 should use 1 or 2 Functions</b>	0 = 1 Function (Single or Multi-Head) 1 = 2 Functions (Multi-Function)
<b>Bits [0] – GMCH VGA Mode</b>	0 = Non-VGA 1 = VGA

##### Output:

**SCIC:** Bits [31:8] = 0

Bits [7:5] = Exit Result

Bits [4:0] = 0

**PARM:** Bits [31:0] = 0



#### 4.2.20 Switch to Full-Screen

This function is provided to override the Display Selection when entering DOS Full-Screen. This call is made after the switch has completed.

This SCI notification is optional only if the platform does not support Hi-Res to Full Screen mode transition, or vice-versa. Otherwise, the System BIOS should implement both these functions 100Dh and 30D/40Dh (Pre-Hires Set Mode/Post-Hires Set Mode).

##### Input:

**SCIC:** Bits [31:0] = 0000100Dh

**PARM:** Bits [31:0]

Bit Fields	Value
Bits [31:8] – Reserved	Reserved for future use, must be zero
Bits [7:0] – Switch	0 – Switched to DOS Full-Screen 1 – Switched to Native Hi-Res 2~ – Reserved

##### Output:

**SCIC:** Bits [31:8] = 0

Bits [7:5] = Exit Result

Bits [4:0] = 0

**PARM:** Bits [31:0] = 0

#### 4.2.21 APM Complete

This function is optional, and is only provided, for example, on platforms that wish to get a callback message when Suspend/Resume is completed by the Graphics Driver.

##### Input:

**SCIC:** Bits [31:0] = 0000110Dh

**PARM:** Bits [31:0] = APM Status



Table 4-17. PARM - 110Dh Input - APM Status

31	8 7	0
Reserved		APM Status

**Bits [31:8] - Reserved**

Reserved (must be zero)

**Bits [7:0] - APM Status**

Status of power management functionality

00h = APM Resume Complete

01h = APM Suspend Complete

02h-0FFh = Reserved

**Output:**

**SCIC:**      Bits [31:8]      = 0

              Bits [7:5]      = Exit Result

              Bits [4:0]      = 0

**PARM:**      Bits [31:0]      = LID Status

Table 4-18. PARM - 110Dh Output - Lid Status

31	10 9 8 7	0
Reserved		9      Reserved

**Bits [31:9] - Reserved**

Reserved (must be zero)

**Bits [8] - Lid Status**

This bit reflects the current state of the lid

0 = Lid Open

1 = Lid Closed

Note: Lid State should always be "Open" for Eaglelake.

**Bits [7:0] - Reserved**

Reserved (must be zero)

#### 4.2.22 Set Spread Spectrum Clocks

Assuming GMCH Internal Graphics is enabled (meaning Device 2 is present) this function will set the configuration of the SSC setting.

**Input:**





**SCIC:** Bits [31:0] = 0000120Dh

**PARM:** Bits [31:0] = Spread Spectrum Clock Configuration

Bit Fields	Value
<b>Bits [31:3] – Reserved</b>	Reserved for future use, must be zero
<b>Bits [2:1] – SSC Frequency</b>	0 – Auto Configuration. Use VBT or Default Settings 1 – SSC-Clock1 2 – SSC-Clock2 3 – SSC-Clock3
<b>Bits [0] – SSC Enabled</b>	0 – SSC Disabled 1 – SSC Enabled

#### Output:

**SCIC:** Bits [31:8] = 0

Bits [7:5] = Exit Result

Bits [4:0] = 0

**PARM:** Bits [31:0] = 0

### 4.2.23 Post VBE/PM Set Power STATE NOTIFICATION

This function is provided to allow for callback to the System BIOS after the Video BIOS has performed a VESA\* VBE/PM Power Management call. This function will not be called within ACPI Power Management environment.

**Input:****SCIC:** Bits [31:0] = 0000130Dh**PARM:** Bits [31:0]**Output:****SCIC:** Bits [31:8] = 0

Bit Fields	Value
Bits [31:8] – Reserved	Reserved for future use, must be zero
Bits [7:0] – Post VBE/PM Callback	0 – On 1 – Standby 2 – Suspend 4 – Off

Bits [7:5] = Exit Result

Bits [4:0] = 0

**PARM:** Bits [31:0] = 0

#### 4.2.24 Set PAVP Data

This function sets the PAVP Mode and PAVP stolen memory size.

**Note:** This field is supported from OpRegion Version(refer [OVER](#)) = 2.0 onwards.

**Input:****SCIC:** Bits [31:0] = 0000140Dh**PARM:** Bits [31:0]

Bit Fields	Value
	Reserved for future use, must be zero
Bits [4:2] – PAVP Stolen Memory Size	00h = 0 MB Stolen Memory 01h = 96 MB Stolen Memory 02h – 07h = Reserved, must be zero
Bits [1:0] – PAVP Mode	00h = PAVP Light mode 01h = PAVP HI mode



	02-07h = Reserved, must be zero.
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**Output:**

**SCIC:**      Bits [31:8]      = 0  
                  Bits [7:5]        = Exit Result  
                  Bits [4:0]        = 0  
**PARM:**      Bits [31:0]      = 0

**SWSCI Mailbox, PARM offset** – Don't care.

**Note:** This field is supported from OpRegion Version(refer [OVER](#)) = 2.1 onwards.

Driver and BIOS are sticking to 2.0 version itself and hence currently OVER would still be 2.0 where these fields would be working. If the Driver or BIOS is having older version, the respective fields would be 0 and hence no problem with backward compatibility.

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## 5 BIOS Writers Guide

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The BIOS Writers Guide portion of this document is designed to guide in the development of system BIOS code in order to implement the IGD OpRegion/Software SCI graphics driver to system BIOS interface described within this document.

This guide gives a high level view of what needs to be done to implement the described functionality within this specification. Detailed implementation can be obtained from the OpRegion/Software SCI reference code and its BIOS Integration Guide.

### 5.1 SCI Hardware Register Reference

This chapter is a convenient reference to the hardware registers with extra information added for the SCI/OpRegion design. This register information can be found in and does not override the chipset EDS.

#### 5.1.1 GMCH SWSCI Register

GMCH Software SCI (SWSCI) PCI Register

<b>Bus/Dev/Function/Type</b>	0/2/0/PCI
<b>Address Offset</b>	E8-E9h
<b>Default Value</b>	0000h
<b>Access</b>	RWO; RW
<b>Size</b>	16 bits

This register serves 2 hardware purposes:

1. Support selection of SMI or SCI event source (SMISCISEL - Bit 15)
2. SCI Event trigger (GSSCIE - Bit 0).

To generate a SW SCI event, System BIOS programs Bit 15 (SMISCISEL) to 1. This is typically programmed once (assuming SMIs are never triggered) in POST. On a subsequent 0 to 1 transition in Bit 0 of this register (caused by a software write operation), GMCH sends a single SCI message down to ICH. ICH will set the DMISCI bit in its TCO1\_STS register and TCOSCI\_STS bit in its GPE0 register upon receiving this message from DMI. The corresponding SCI event handler in BIOS is to be defined as a `_Lxx` method, indicating level trigger to the operating system.



Once Bit 0 is written as 1, software (i.e., ALS code) must write a 0 to this bit to clear it, and all other write transitions (1->0, 0->0, 1->1) or if Bit 15 is 0 will not cause GMCH to send SCI message to DMI link.

**Table 5-1. SWSCI Register**

<p><b>Bits [15] - SMI or SCI Event Select (SMISCISEL)</b>  Access = RWO, Default value = 0b  0 = SMI (default)  1 = SCI</p> <p><b>Bits [14:1] - Software Scratch Bits (SCISB)</b>  These software scratch bits are not used by hardware  Access = RW, Default value = 00000000000000b</p> <p><b>Bits [0] - GMCH Software SCI Event (GSSCIE)</b>  If SCI event is selected (SMISCISEL = 1), on a 0 to 1 transition of this bit, GMCH will send a SCI message via DMI link to ICH  Access = RW, Default value = 0b  Software must write a 0 to clear this bit</p>
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The system BIOS initializes Bit 15 to a 1 (activating SCI interrupts) in POST and leaves the other bits at their zero default values.

**Note:** Bit 15 must be set prior to transferring control to an ACPI operating system so SCI operation can be used. It is as an indicator that they platform supports SCI functionality.

Bits [14:1] are not used by software SCI mechanism.

The SWSCI handler must also clear Bit 0 after it has serviced a call. This will be an indication to the driver which triggered the SCI that the function call has completed and the output status is valid.



### 5.1.2 GMCH ASLS Register

GMCH ASL Storage (ASLS) PCI Register

<b>Bus/Dev/Function/Type:</b>	0/2/0/PCI
<b>Address Offset:</b>	FC-0FFh
<b>Default Value:</b>	00000000h
<b>Access:</b>	R/W
<b>Size:</b>	32 bits

This register is a software scratch register and is not used by hardware other than to hold the state software has set.

**Table 5-2. ASLS Register**

<b>Bits [31:0] - Software Scratch Bits</b> These software scratch bits are not used by hardware Access = RWO, Default value = 00000000h
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The system BIOS places the memory offset of the OpRegion in this register which is used by the other interfacing software components.

### 5.1.3 ICH TSTS1 – TCO1\_STS Register

ICH TSTS1 – TCO1\_STS Register

<b>Address Offset:</b>	464h (TCOBASE (ACPIBASE (400h) + 60h) + 04h)
<b>Default Value:</b>	0000h
<b>Access:</b>	R/W
<b>Size:</b>	16 bits

This register is a status register for hardware interrupts.



Table 5-3. ICH TSTS1 Register

<b>Bits [15:10] - ?</b> Not used in software SCI implementation <b>Bits [9] - MCHSCI_STS:</b> This bit is set to 1 if the MCH sends a DMI special cycle message indicating that it wants to cause an SCI. The software must read the MCH to find out why it wanted the SCI. Software must write a 1 back to this bit to clear it. Access = R/W, Default value = 0b <b>Bits [8:0] - ?</b> Not used in software SCI implementation
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The system BIOS ASL software SCI handler must clear this bit before returning to calling client.

ICH GPE0\_STS – General Purpose Event 0 Register

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<b>Address Offset:</b>	PMBASE + 28h
<b>Default Value:</b>	00000000h
<b>Access:</b>	R/W
<b>Size:</b>	32 bits

Table 5-4. ICH GPE0 Register

<b>Bits [15:7] - ?</b> Not used in software SCI implementation <b>Bits [6] - TCOSCI_STS:</b> This bit will be set to 1 by hardware when the TCO logic or Thermal Sensor logic causes an SCI. This bit can be reset by writing a one to this bit position. Access = R/W, Default value = 0b <b>Bits [5:0] - ?</b> Not used in software SCI implementation
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This bit does not need to set or reset by software, but it causes the ACPI \_L06 method to be activated. The bit is set when GMCH SWSCI register Bit 0 is set and cleared when ICH TCO1\_STS register is cleared.

#### 5.1.4 ASLE – System Display Event Register

**Note:** Use this register to trigger ASLE interrupts with chipsets after the Crestline chipset.



This register causes an interrupt that is serviced by the Graphics driver. It is used by the system BIOS/ASL code to notify the driver of an important event or to complete a user's request.

<b>Bus/Dev/Function/Type:</b>	0/2/0/PCI
<b>Address Offset:</b>	0E4-0E7h
<b>Default Value:</b>	00000000h
<b>Access:</b>	R/W
<b>Size:</b>	32 bits

The exact use of these bytes including whether they are addressed as bytes, words, or as a dword, is not pre-determined by hardware but subject to change by driver and System BIOS teams (acting in unison).

**Table 5-5. ASLE Register**

<b>Bits [31:24] - ASLE Scratch Trigger3:</b> When written, this scratch byte triggers an interrupt when IEF Bit 0 is enabled and IMR Bit 0 is unmasked. If written as part of a 16-bit or 32-bit write, only one interrupt is generated in common. Access = R/W, Default value = 00h
<b>Bits [23:16] - ASLE Scratch Trigger2:</b> When written, this scratch byte triggers an interrupt when IEF Bit 0 is enabled and IMR Bit 0 is unmasked. If written as part of a 16-bit or 32-bit write, only one interrupt is generated in common. Access = R/W, Default value = 00h
<b>Bits [15:8] - ASLE Scratch Trigger 1:</b> When written, this scratch byte triggers an interrupt when IEF Bit 0 is enabled and IMR Bit 0 is unmasked. If written as part of a 16-bit or 32-bit write, only one interrupt is generated in common. Access = R/W, Default value = 00h
<b>Bits [7:0] - ASLE Scratch Trigger 0:</b> When written, this scratch byte triggers an interrupt when IEF Bit 0 is enabled and IMR Bit 0 is unmasked. If written as part of a 16-bit or 32-bit write, only one interrupt is generated in common. Access = R/W, Default value = 00h

### 5.1.5 LBB — Legacy Backlight Brightness

**Note:** Use this register to trigger ASLE interrupts with the Cantiga chipset. This register is not applicable to Iron Lake.





This register causes an interrupt that is serviced by the Graphics driver. It is used by the system BIOS/ASL code to notify the driver of an important event or to complete a user's request.

<b>Bus/Dev/Function/Type</b>	0/2/0/PCI
<b>Address Offset</b>	0F4-0F7h
<b>Default Value</b>	00000000h
<b>Access</b>	R/W
<b>Size</b>	32 bits

This register can be accessed by Byte, Word, or DWord PCI config cycles. A write to this register will cause the Backlight Event (Display B Interrupt) if enabled.

Bit	Access	Default Value	Description
31:24	R/W	00h	<b>Not used by IGD OpRegion</b>
23:16	R/W	00h	<b>Not used by IGD OpRegion</b>
15:8	R/W	00h	<b>LBPC Scratch Trigger1:</b> When written, this scratch byte triggers an interrupt when LBEE is enabled in Pipe A or B Status register and the Display A or B Event is enabled in IER and unmasked in IMR etc. If written as part of a 16-bit or 32-bit write, only one interrupt is generated in common.
7:0	R/W	00h	<b>Not used by IGD OpRegion</b>

## 5.2 ACPI Spec Reference

This chapter is a convenient reference to parts of the ACPI spec that are used within this document.

**Note:** The data in this section and child sections is for convenience only and shall never override the contents of any ACPI spec.

The official ACPI spec is located on line at <http://www.acpi.info/>. As of this writing the current revision of the ACPI specification is 3.0b.



### 5.2.1 NVS Memory Reference

The following description of NVS memory is located in Section 15.3.2 (*BIOS Initialization of Memory*) of the ACPI 3.0b spec.

ACPI Non-Volatile-Sleeping Memory (NVS): Memory identified by the BIOS as being reserved by the BIOS for its use. OSPM is required to tag this memory as cacheable, and to save and restore its image before entering an S4 state. Except as directed by control methods, OSPM is not allowed to use this physical memory. OSPM will call the `_PTS` control method some time before entering a sleeping state, to allow the platform's AML code to update this memory image before entering the sleeping state. After the system awakes from an S4 state, OSPM will restore this memory area and call the `_WAK` control method to enable the BIOS to reclaim its memory image.

### 5.2.2 Video Extensions Reference

The following reference can be found in Section B.1 (*Introduction*) of the ACPI 3.0b spec.

This section of the ACPI spec describes a number of specialized ACPI methods to support motherboard graphics devices.

Systems containing a built-in display adapter are required to implement the ACPI Extensions for Display Adapters.

**Table 5-6. Video Extension Object Requirements Reference**

Method	Description	
<code>_DOS</code>	Enable/Disable output switching	Required if system supports display switching or LCD brightness levels
<code>_DOD</code>	Enumerate all devices attached to display adapter	Required if integrated controller supports output switching
<code>_ROM</code>	Get ROM Data	Required if ROM image is stored in proprietary format
<code>_GPD</code>	Get POST Device	Required if <code>_VPO</code> is implemented
<code>_SPD</code>	Set POST Device	Required if <code>_VPO</code> is implemented
<code>_VPO</code>	Video POST Options	Required if system supports changing post VGA device
<code>_ADR</code>	Return the unique ID for this device	Required
<code>_BCL</code>	Query list of brightness control levels supported	Required if embedded LCD supports brightness control
<code>_BCM</code>	Set the brightness level	Required if <code>_BCL</code> is implemented



Method	Description	
_BQC	Return current brightness level	Required if _BCL is implemented
_DDC	Return the EDID for this device	Required if embedded LCD does not support return of EDID via standard interface
_DCS	Return status of output device	Required if the system supports display switching (via hotkey)
_DGS	Query graphics state	Required if the system supports display switching (via hotkey)
_DSS	Device state set	Required if the system supports display switching (via hotkey)

### 5.2.3 Device Attribute Reference

The following table can be found in Section B.4.2 (*\_DOD (Enumerate All Devices Attached to the Display Adapter)*) of the ACPI 3.0b spec.

**Table 5-7. Device Attributes Reference**

Bits	Definition	
31	<b>Device ID Scheme</b> 1 – Uses the bit-field definitions above (bits 15:0) 0 – Other scheme, contact the Video Chip Vendor	
30:21	Reserved (must be zero)	
20:18	For VGA multiple-head devices, this specifies head or pipe ID e.g., for Dual-Pipe*, Dual-Display*, Duo-View*, TwinView*, Triple-View* ... etc, beginning with 0 for head 0 or single-head device and increasing for each additional head.	
17	Non-VGA output device whose power is related to the VGA device. This can be used when specifying devices like TV Tuner, DVD decoder, Video Capture ... etc.	
16	<b>BIOS</b> can detect the device	
15:0	<b>Device ID.</b> The device ID must match the ID's specified by Video Chip Vendors. They must also be unique under VGA namespace.	
	Bit 15:12	<b>Chipset Vendor Specific</b>
	Bit 11:8	<b>Display Type</b> Describes the specific type of Display Technology in use. 0 – Other 1 – VGA* CRT or VESA* Compatible Analog Monitor 2 – TV/HDTV or other Analog-Video Monitor 3 – External Digital Monitor (See Note 1.) 4 – Internal/Integrated Digital Flat Panel (See Note 2.) 5~15 – Reserved for future use



Bits	Definition	
	Bit 7:4	<b>Display Port Attachment</b> This field differentiates displays of the same type attached at different points of one adapter. The zero-based number scheme is specific to each Video Chip Vendors' implementation.
	Bit 3:0	<b>Display Index</b> A zero-based instance of the Display, when multiple displays of the same type are attached, regardless of where it is associated. Starting from the first adapter and its first display of the type on the first integrated internal device and then incrementing per device-function according to its relative port number.

**NOTE:** This definition is for reference only and shall not override what is documented in the ACPI spec.

## 5.3 Initialization (POST) Code

This section addresses the initialization of the IGD memory OpRegion and software SCI mechanism.

System BIOS, during its POST, is responsible for allocating, initializing and reporting the OpRegions. System BIOS is also responsible for providing the physical address of the Memory OpRegion. The following steps and related diagrams illustrate the initialization sequence for the various OpRegions.

**Note:** The initialization code must be called after Video BIOS POST. This is because Intel video BIOS POST may update parts of the VBT.

1. Create an ACPI NVS memory OpRegion (refer [Section 5.3.1](#)).
  - a. Get the size of the NVS memory OpRegion to be allocated.
  - b. Reserve a contiguous memory space and label it as an ACPI custom Operation Region.
  - c. Zero initialize the entire NVS memory OpRegion.
2. Add data variables to the IGD Global NVS Area and initialize those variables.
3. Initialize NVS memory OpRegion (refer [Section 5.3.2](#)).
  - a. Initialize OpRegion header.
  - b. Initialize OpRegion Mailbox 1.
  - c. Initialize OpRegion Mailbox 3.
  - d. Copy the entire VBT contents to the VBT mailbox.
4. Initialize hardware state (refer [Section 5.3.7](#)).
  - a. Set ASLS register to the starting physical address of Memory OpRegion.



- b. Set SWSCI register Bit 15 to activate SCI interrupts.

### 5.3.1 Create NVS Memory OpRegion

The NVS memory OpRegion is shared memory reserved by the system BIOS and labeled as custom Operation Regions (as defined by ACPI). An ACPI compliant Operating System would consider this region as reserved for ACPI framework and hence publishes this to the ACPI aware client drivers.

**Note:** The allocation of the NVS memory OpRegion must be under 4 GB. This is a limitation of the 32-bit ASLS register in PCI configuration space.

1. Get the size of the NVS memory OpRegion to be allocated.

This is 1 KB (size of header and mailboxes 1-3) plus the size of the VBT mailbox. To keep things simple, the VBT mailbox is defined to be a constant 7 KB. Therefore, the entire memory OpRegion size is 8 KB (2000h).

2. Reserve a contiguous memory space and label it as an ACPI custom Operation Region via E820h descriptor.
3. Zero initialize the entire NVS memory OpRegion.

### 5.3.2 Initialize IGD Global NVS Area

The Global NVS Area is a buffer that is used to share data between System BIOS and ASL code. The OpRegion and the Software SCI mechanism will need several pieces of data at initialization time and run time. Much of this data comes for NV memory like CMOS or NV flash, and will be resaved to NV memory when the system shuts down allowing for graphic driver persistence functionality.

1. Add data variables to the IGD Global NVS Area and initialize those variables.

### 5.3.3 Initialize OpRegion

Initialize the NVS OpRegion described in Chapter 3, *OpRegion*.

1. Initialize OpRegion header.

Load valid values for fields where system BIOS access equal "W", "WO", "R/W", or "R/WO".

2. Initialize OpRegion Mailbox 1.



Load valid initial values for fields where system BIOS access equal "W", "WO", "R/W", or "R/WO".

**Note:** Mailbox 1 is not used on most desktop platforms, but may be used if needed.

**Note:** Mailbox 2 does not need any system BIOS initialization.

3. Initialize OpRegion Mailbox 3.

Load valid initial values for fields where system BIOS access equal "W", "WO", "R/W", or "R/WO".

**Note:** Mailbox 3 is not used on most desktop platforms, but may be used if needed.

4. Copy the entire VBT contents (including VBT header) from the video BIOS image into the VBT Mailbox.

The following sections help with how to retrieve the VBT and how to handle an invalid VBT.

### 5.3.4 Retrieving Video BIOS Build Number

The following instructions describe how the system BIOS retrieves the video BIOS build number from the video BIOS image.

1. Find the start of the Intel's video BIOS image.
2. Determine the location of the VBT by reading a word (little endian format) at offset 1Ah of the video BIOS binary image. This word (VBT Location) is equal to the offset of the start of the VBT block from the start of the video BIOS image.
3. The Video BIOS build number is a 4-byte ASCII string located at VBT offset + 4Fh.

### 5.3.5 Retrieving VBT

The following instructions describe how the system BIOS retrieves the VBT block from the video BIOS and then makes its data available to the graphic drivers via the memory OpRegion VBT Mailbox.

1. Start after video BIOS POST has completed. This is because Intel video BIOS POST may update parts of the VBT.
2. If Intel graphics is primary adapter, the Video BIOS image will be located at its normal OPROM location of 0C0000h. If Intel graphics is secondary adapter, uncompress the Intel video BIOS binary image to a disposable memory block. The

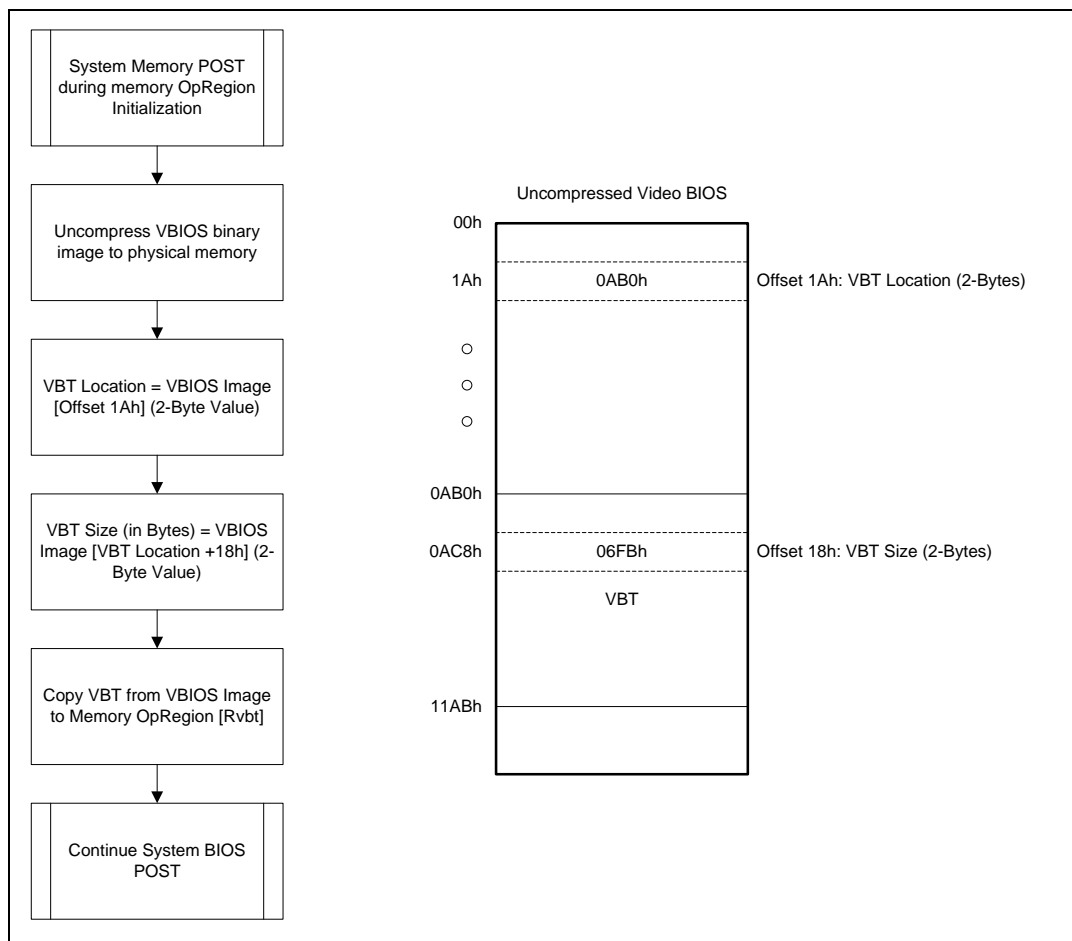


option ROM signature is AA55h (little endian - 055h at 0C0000h and 0AAh at 0C0000h).

3. Determine the location of the VBT by reading a word (little endian format) at offset 1Ah of the video BIOS binary image. This word (VBT Location) is equal to the offset of the start of the VBT block from the start of the video BIOS image.
4. Determine the size of the VBT block by reading a word (little endian format) at VBT Location + offset 18h.
5. Copy the entire VBT block from the video BIOS image to Mailbox 4 of the OpRegion.

The following flow diagram depicts the process of locating the VBT and determining its size. The values in the figure are examples only.

**Figure 5-1. Locating VBT and Determining Size**





**NOTE:** The values provided at offset 1Ah and at [VBT Location + 18h] are examples only. The system BIOS is responsible for calculating offsets and sizes of the VBT within the uncompressed video BIOS image.

### 5.3.6 Invalid VBT

Even though the VBT is defined as mandatory in the Memory OpRegion, the failure could be because of corruption or invalid VBT header. The impact of unavailability of VBT will be handled differently between Desktop and Mobile platforms as explained below:

#### **Desktop:**

Graphics Driver uses the default values for the features and parameters otherwise customized through VBT. This could result in the graphics sub-system behavior different than that of the OEM customized platform behavior.

#### **Mobile:**

As some mobile platforms are totally dependent on the VBT for driving the Local Flat Panels, depending on the current configuration and attached display devices, it may either be unloaded or switch to a different display device with an error log generated. In cases possible, like for example an EDID based LFP, the graphics driver may handle it like a desktop system as explained above.

The VBT over-ride through INF will still happen if the driver default values are assumed.

### 5.3.7 Initialize Hardware State

To help, a convenient reference to the hardware registers used by the software SCI design is located in [Section 5.1, SCI Hardware Register Reference](#).

1. Set ASLS register to the OpRegion physical memory address.

A value of zero in the ASLS register indicates to client software that the memory OpRegion is not supported.

2. Set SWSCI register Bit 15 to a 1 to activate SCI interrupts.

Setting SWSCI Bit 15 to a 1 activates SCI interrupts and deactivates SMI interrupts. This bit also signals the client software that the SCI communication method is supported.





## 5.4 ASL Software SCI Handler

This section addresses the software SCI handler in ASL code. Upon getting control, the SCI handler performs the following tasks.

1. Decodes the OpRegion Software SCI mailbox (Mailbox 2) to determine the requested function.
2. Call the requested function.
3. Move the functions output parameters to the Software SCI mailbox.
4. Clear SCIC (from software SCI mailbox) Bit 0 to a 0. This signals to the calling client (i.e., graphics driver) that the function is complete and the output parameters are valid.
5. Clear SWSCI (GMCH PCI register) Bit 0 to a 0. This prepares for the next software SCI call but does not really do anything else. Note that it does not automatically clear the pending interrupt in the ICH chipset.
6. Clear the pending interrupt in Bit 9 of the ICH TSTS1 – TCO1\_STS register.

With the ASL code written, it must be included in with the other system ASL code. Since the OpRegion/ Software SCI code is for interfacing specifically for the graphics drivers, this code should be included with the other Intel graphics driver ASL code. For use with Intel ASL sample code, add an include statement before the last “}” in the IntelGfx.asl file.

## 5.5 ASL Functions

This section addresses the ASL functions that implement the software SCI functions listed in [Section 4.2](#). Upon getting control, the ASL functions perform the following tasks.

1. Implement the Get BIOS Data Area functions in ASL code. These functions perform the requested Get BIOS Data Area functionality and return output parameters to the software SCI handler.
2. Implement the System BIOS Call Back functions in ASL code. These functions perform the requested System BIOS Call Back functionality and return output parameters to the software SCI handler.

## 5.6 Remove MBI /SMI Functionality

The OpRegion/Software SCI mechanisms replace the older MBI/SMI mechanisms. Therefore, it is recommended to remove the MBI/SMI functionality in order to save FWH space.



1. Remove MBI/SMI code to save FWH space if not going to be used. See MBI/SMI specs and sample code to determine how to remove this functionality.
2. Add a function to switch between the two implementations if going to support both mechanisms.
3. All that would need to be done is to flip Bit 15 of the SWSCI register.

## **5.7 Building**

Intel recommends putting the OpRegion/Software SCI sample code in a child directory to ACPI code directory (e.g., \Acpi\GfxSci) because it is not general ACPI code as described in the ACPI spec but uses ACPI functionality.

1. Assemble the initialization assembly code and put output binaries alongside the ACPI binaries.

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## 6 Device Specific Methods “\_DSM”

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Where the OpRegion is a passive memory block mechanism, the ACPI “\_DSM” is an interface between client and server mechanism. In the “\_DSM” mechanism, the client is the Graphics drivers and the server is the ACPI “\_DSM” and other associated functions written in ASL code and supplied by the System BIOS. Basically, the ACPI “\_DSM” mechanism is a software interface that is activated by Intel graphics drivers passing control to an ASL interrupt handler giving platform-generic drivers access to platform-specific functionality.

The “\_DSM” ACPI object is a control method that enables devices to provide device specific control functions that are consumed by the device driver.

### 6.1 GMCH’s “\_DSM” Definition

The following IGD Driver structure is same as the structure, which will be used for \_DSM Call.

```
typedef struct _ACPI_EVAL_GENERIC_DSM_ARGS
{
    IN GUID          *pArg0; // Type: buffer field: GUID
    IN ULONG         Arg1; // Type: Integer field: Rev ID
    IN ULONG         Arg2; // Type: Integer field: Function index
    IN PVOID         pArg3;
    // Type: Package field: input arguments optional
    IN ULONG         ulArg3Size; // size of Arg3 package
    OUT PVOID        pAcpiOutputArgument;
    // required - caller provides storage, caller knows
    // structure he expects
    IN OUT PULONG    pAcpiOutputSize;
    // two way field, caller tells size of
    // pAcpiOutputArgument, method fills actual size of
    // buffer copied
} ACPI_EVAL_GENERIC_DSM_ARGS, *PACPI_EVAL_GENERIC_DSM_ARGS;
```

#### Arguments:

**Arg0:**      UUID                      = 3E5B41C6-EB1D-4260-9D15-C71FBADAE414

**Arg1:**      Revision ID            = 1

**Arg2:**      Function Index = Supported Functions



**Arg3:** Additional Inputs/Package Parameters Bits [31:0] input as to BIOS which is passed as 32 bit DWORD by Driver

### **6.1.1 Get BIOS Data Functions Supported “Function #0”**

This function can be called to discover which “\_DSM” Functions are supported. It may only return success if the return value accurately lists supported Functions.

**Input Arguments:**

**Arg2:** Function Index = 0

**Arg3:** Input Parameters = 0

**Output Argument:**

**pArg:** Output Argument Point = Supported Functions.



**Bits [31:17] - Reserved**

Reserved

**Bits [16] –Get AKSV**

Get AKSV from HDCP keys in manufacturing mode

**Bits [15] – Gets Internal Graphics**

Gets Internal Graphics Configuration

**Bits [14] – Get Panel Details**

Gets the BIOS Setup-option (Non-Volatile) affecting boot-time Panel preference

**Bits [13] – Get Boot Display Preference**

Set Boot Display Preference information

**Bits [12] – Core Display Clock Change Notification**

Called to program the Audio dividers on Dev3 whenever CD clock changed

**Bits [11] – Unplug Plug Audio**

Unplug and plug Audio

**Bits [10] – APM Complete**

APM Suspend/Resume Completed

**Bits [9] – Full Screen DOS**

Switch to DOS Full-Screen

**Bits [8] – Set Panel Preference**

Sets the BIOS Setup-option (Non-Volatile) affecting boot-time Panel preference

**Bits [7] – Set Boot Device Preference**

Set boot device preference information

**Bits [6] – Set Display Device Notification**

Call is informational only

**Bits [5] - Post-Hires Set Mode**

Call after setting a new mode

**Bits [4] - Pre-Hires Set Mode**

Call before setting a new mode

**Bits [3] – System BIOS POST Completion Notification**

Called to system BIOS POST completion notification

**Bits [2] – Display Power State Notification**

Called for VESA\* VBE/PM and is also used for CS Entry and Exit

**Bits [1] – Adapter Power State Notification**

Called for Adapter PCI PM State Transition : Dx to D0 or D0 to Dx

**Bits [0] – Get BIOS Data Functions Supported**

Called to discover which “\_DSM” functions are supported.



### 6.1.2 Adapter Power State Notification “Function #1”

Should be called before the Adapter (implies child devices & displays are already in a lower power state) is about to be placed in a lower Power State (D0 -> Dx), and after the Adapter is placed in a higher Power State (e.g., (Dx -> D0) e.g., by APM/ACPI).

#### Input Arguments:

**Arg2:** Function Index = 1

**Arg3:** Input Parameters = Power State Data

Bit Fields	Value
Bits [31:8] - Reserved	Reserved for future use, must be zero
Bits [7:0] - Power State	Power state that is about to be set 00h = D0 01h = D1 02h = D2 04h = D3 (Cold/Hot) 08h = D4 (Hibernate Notification)

#### Output Argument:

**pArg:** Output Argument Point = 1 (Success)

### 6.1.3 Display Power State Notification “Function #2”

Should be called before the Display (not adapter or child device) is about to be placed in a lower Power State (D0 -> Dx), and after the Display is placed in a higher Power State (e.g., Dx -> D0) e.g., by VESA VBE/PM DPMS, or by APM/ACPI. Display Power State Notification is also used for CS Entry and Exit.

#### Input Arguments:

**Arg2:** Function Index = 2

**Arg3:** Input Parameters = Power State Data

Bit Fields	Value
Bits [31] = Reserved	Reserved for future use, must be zero
Bits [30:16] = Port Display Device Type (3 bits for each port)	
Bits [30:28] = Port 4 display device type	0 – CRT 1 – TV
Bits [27:25] = Port 3 display device type	



Bit Fields	Value
Bits [24:22] = Port 2 display device type	2 – External Flat Panel 3 – Internal Flat-Panel 4–7 – Reserved for future use
Bits [21:19] = Port 1 display device type	
Bits [18:16] = Port 0 display device type	
<b>Bits [15:8] – Power State</b>	00h = On 01h = Standby 02h = Suspend 04h = Off 08h = Reduced On
<b>Bits [7:0] – Display Controller Unit</b>	00h = Port 0 : Integrated CRT 01h = Port 1 : DVO-A or Integrated LVDS 02h = Port 2 : Port - B 04h = Port 3 : Port - C 08h = Port 4 : Integrated TV \ Port - D

**Output Argument:**

**pArg:** Output Argument Point = 1 (Success)

#### 6.1.4 System BIOS POST Completion Notification “Function #3”

This callback function should be called after Video BIOS has completed its POST or after the performing \_PS0 method or Display Driver initializes the display adapter.

**Input Arguments:**

**Arg2:** Function Index = 3

**Arg3:** Input Parameters = 0 (Client caller must initialize to Zero before call)

**Output Argument:**

**pArg:** Output Argument Point = 1 (Success)

#### 6.1.5 Pre-Hires Set Mode “Function #4”

This callback function should be called before setting a Hi-Resolution Mode.

**Input Arguments:**



**Arg2:**      Function Index = 3

**Arg3:**      Input Parameters = T.B.D

**Output Argument:**

**pArg:**      Output Argument Point = 1 (Success)

### **6.1.6      Post-Hires Set Mode “Function #5”**

This callback function should be called after setting a Hi-Resolution Mode.

**Input Arguments:**

**Arg2:**      Function Index = 5

**Arg3:**      Input Parameters = T.B.D

**Output Argument:**

**pArg:**      Output Argument Point = 1 (Success)

### **6.1.7      Set Display Device Notification “Function #6”**

This function call is informational only; no action is required to be taken by the System BIOS.

**Input Arguments:**

**Arg2:**      Function Index = 6

**Arg3:**      Input Parameters = T.B.D

**Output Argument:**

**pArg:**      Output Argument Point = 1 (Success)

### **6.1.8      Set Boot Device Preference “Function #7”**

This function sets the Boot Device (Monitor) preference in the platform’s Non-Volatile storage (e.g., CMOS RTC) - wherever the System BIOS stores its boot-time setup options.



**Input Arguments:**

**Arg2:** Function Index = 7

**Arg3:** Input Parameters = Set Boot Device Preference

Bit Fields	Value
<b>Bits [31] = Extended Desktop Configuration</b>	T.B.D
<b>Bits [30:16] = Selected Display Port Device Type (3 bits for each port)</b>	
Bits [30:28] = Port 4 type	T.B.D
Bits [27:25] = Port 3 type	
Bits [24:22] = Port 2 type	
Bits [21:19] = Port 1 type	
Bits [18:16] = Port 0 type	
<b>Bits [15:13] = Primary Display Device</b>	0 = Default, or not a Dual Display configuration 1~5 = Port 0 ~ 4 is the Primary Display in Dual Display configurations
<b>Bits [12:8] – Attached Display Mask</b>	T.B.D
<b>Bits [7:0] – Boot Display Port</b>	T.B.D

**Output Argument:**

**pArg:** Output Argument Point = 1 (Success)

### 6.1.9 Set Panel Preference “Function #8”

This function sets the Flat Panel Scaling preference in the platform’s non-volatile storage (e.g., CMOS RTC) - wherever the System BIOS stores its boot-time setup options.

This function is optional, and is required only for platforms with an internal flat-panel (e.g., Mobile Notebooks or All-In-One Desktops). The function should return an Exit Result 0 (Failure, Unsupported) if not supported on the platform.

**Input Arguments:**

**Arg2:** Function Index = 8

**Arg3:** Input Parameters = Set Panel Preference



Bit Fields	Value
<b>Bits [31:28] – Internal Panel number</b>	The sequential index of Internal Panel, starting at 0 and counting upwards from the first integrated Internal Flat-Panel Display Encoder present, and then from the first external Display Encoder (e.g., S/DVO-B then S/DVO-C) which supports Internal Flat-Panels
<b>Bits [27:23] – Reserved</b>	Reserved for future use, must be zero
<b>Bits [22:20] – Backlight Image Adaptation (BIA) Control0 – VBT Default</b>	1 – BIA Disabled (BLC may still be enabled) 2~6 – BIA Enabled at Aggressiveness Level [1~5] 7~ – Reserved for future use
<b>Bits [19:18] – Backlight Control (BLC) Support</b>	0 – VBT Default 1 – BLC & BIA Disabled 2 – BLC Enabled
<b>Bits [17:16] – Reserved</b>	Reserved for future use, must be zero
<b>Bits [15:8] – Panel Type</b>	0 – No update – does not change existing preferred Panel Type (in VBT) 1 ~ 16 – Panel Number
<b>Bits [7:0] – Panel Scaling</b>	0 – On: Auto 1 – On: Force Scaling 2 – Off 3 – Maintain Aspect Ratio

**Output Argument:**

**pArg:** Output Argument Point = 1 (Success)

**6.1.10 Full Screen DOS “Function #9”**

This function is provided to override the Display Selection when entering DOS Full-Screen. This call is made after the switch has completed.

**Input Arguments:**

**Arg2:** Function Index = 9

**Arg3:** Input Parameters = T.B.D

**Output Argument:**

**pArg:** Output Argument Point = 1 (Success)



### 6.1.11 APM Complete “Function #10”

This function is optional, and is only provided, for example, on platforms that wish to get a callback message when Suspend/Resume is completed by the Graphics Driver.

#### Input Arguments:

**Arg2:** Function Index = 10

**Arg3:** Input Parameters = APM Status

Bit Fields	Value
<b>Bits [31:8] - Reserved</b>	Reserved for future use, must be zero
<b>Bits [7:0] - APM Status</b>	Status of power management functionality 00h = APM Resume Complete 01h = APM Suspend Complete 02h-0FFh = Reserved

#### Output Argument:

**pArg:** Output Argument Point = LID Status

Bit Fields	Value
<b>Bits [31:8] - Reserved</b>	Reserved for future use, must be zero
<b>Bits [8] - Lid Status</b>	This bit reflects the current state of the lid 0 = Lid Open 1 = Lid Closed
<b>Bits [7:0] - Reserved</b>	Reserved for future use, must be zero

### 6.1.12 Unplug Plug Audio “Function #11”

Not supported for Skylake platform

### 6.1.13 Core Display Clock Change Notification “Function #12”

Not supported for Skylake platform



### 6.1.14 Get Boot Display Preference “Function #13”

Assuming the GMCH's Internal Graphics is enabled, this field will indicate which display device will be the Primary Boot Display Device. Only this Display will show the Video BIOS POST and DOS/Windows Boot Screen. Other Display Devices will be unaffected.

**Note:** The System BIOS setup may offer the end-user selection using other terms such as “CRT”, “Local Flat Panel”, “External Flat-Panel”, “Television”, “External Flat-Panel #2”, and so on. With the exception of the Integrated CRT, or Integrated LVDS, these options typically do not have a fixed relationship to Display-Ports, and are platform-implementation specific. The caller will pass-in the known supported associations in the Display Port Device (i.e., hardware encoder type) Type Mask.

In the case where one Display Port can support multiple Displays (e.g., from a DVI/TV combination Encoder, a.k.a. “Combo Codec”), the Input fields for the “Port Display Device Type” Masks will indicate all of the Display Types supported by the Encoder on the Display Port, on an individual basis.

If a Dual-Display Simultaneous (Twin/Clone) configuration is returned by the System BIOS, the selection of Primary Boot Display Device may be returned via PARM bits [15:13]. The Primary Display is the one from which the simultaneous mode and timings (in the case of Intel® Dual-Display Twin) are derived. This field does not need to be saved, or returned if ability to select a different primary device is not required – in that case a value of zero 0 (use defaults) can be passed.

#### Input Arguments:

**Arg2:** Function Index = 13

**Arg3:** Input Parameters = Display Port Device Type Mask

Bit Fields	Value
Bits [31:20] - Reserved	Reserved for future use, must be zero
Bits [19:16] - Port 4 supported Display Device Type	Device Type Mask Values for Display Ports All Bits = 0 – Unknown Bit[0] – CRT Bit[1] – TV Bit[2] – External Flat Panel Bit[3] – Internal Flat Panel
Bits [15:12] - Port 3 supported Display Device Type	
Bits [11:8] - Port 2 supported Display Device Type	
Bits [7:4] - Port 1 supported Display Device Type	
Bits [3:0] - Port 0 supported Display Device Type	

#### Output Argument:



**pArg:** Output Argument Point = Additional Parameters

Bit Fields	Value
<b>Bits [31] - Reserved</b>	Reserved for future use, must be zero
<b>Bits [30:16] - Selected Display Port Device Type</b>	Bit[18:16]: Port-0 Display Device Type Bit[21:19]: Port-1 Display Device Type Bit[24:22]: Port-2 Display Device Type Bit[27:25]: Port-3 Display Device Type Bit[30:28]: Port-4 Display Device Type
<b>Bits [15:13] - Primary Display Device</b>	Primary display device 0 = Default. No Change. Selection based on previous configuration. 1-5 = Port 0 - 4 is the Primary Display in Dual Display configurations.
<b>Bits [12:8] - Reserve</b>	Reserved for future use, must be zero
<b>Bits [7:0] - Boot Display Bus/Device</b>	The following bits are the boot display device as set in non-volatile memory: 0 = Automatic (Refer below for details) 1 = Port 0 : Integrated CRT 2 = Port 1 : Port - A \ Integrated LVDS 3 = Port 2 : Port - B 4 = Port 3 : Port - C 5 = [CRT + Port - A] 6 = [CRT + Port - B] 7 = [CRT + Port - C] 8 = [Port - A \ Integrated LVDS \ Port - B] 9 = [Port - A \ Integrated LVDS \ Port - C] 10 = [Port - B + Port - C] 11 - 15 = Reserved for future use 16 = Port 4: Integrated TV \ Port - D 17 = [Integrated TV \ Port - D + CRT] 18 = [Integrated TV \ Port - D + LVDS] 19 = [Integrated TV \ Port - D + Port - B] 20 = [Integrated TV \ Port - D + Port - C] 21 - 255 = Reserved for future use

**NOTES:** (Refer following page)

1. If S/DVO-B/C are ganged together, for example to support Dual-Link DVI, then DVO-B (3) will be indicated.
2. If Integrated LVDS is supported in place of DVO-A, then DVO-A (2) will be indicated.
3. From ILK onwards, Integrated TV, SDVO and Dual-Link ports are removed. In their place, PortB, PortC and PortD have been introduced. Here PortB and PortC can be configured to either of DP\HDMI\DVI, PortD can also be configured as DP\HDMI\DVI,



but this port can be configured for embedded DP as well but currently that is not supported.

Similarly, PortA will replace DVO-A and is associated with embedded DP device.

This is how mappings go:

DVO-A – Display PortA (From ILK onwards)

SDVOB – Display PortB

SDVOC – Display PortC

Integrated TV - Display PortD (ILK onwards)

Another point to be remembered is Integrated LVDS and embedded DP cannot coexist together, so in all the combinations involving LVDS we show a \eDP as well.

For Cantiga, Integrated TV is supported and PortD is absent and PortA for eDP is absent, except for these, all the info mentioned in this point above is applicable for Cantiga also.

4. The flag may be set if a configuration is changed and the system policy is that the new setting must override any other stored settings e.g., set via User Interface. The system BIOS shall clear this flag if the System Callback: Set Boot Display Preference is subsequently used to store a preference.

### **Automatic Display Device Selection**

When the Automatic Option is selected, using Boot Display Type 0, then the actual Boot Display is determined based on the attached displays according to the following order:

- Internal Flat-Panel
  - If LFP Encoder (e.g., LVDS LCD, or All-In-One Desktop TMDS LCD) is present
  - And LCD Lid is not closed (Notebook LCD)
- CRT
  - If VGA CRT present and attached
- External Flat Panel
  - If EFP Encoder (e.g., TMDS DVI) is present
  - And EFP Display is attached
- TV
  - If TV Encoder is present
  - And TV is attached



### 6.1.15 Get Panel Detail “Function #14”

This function gets the Flat Panel Scaling from the platform’s non-volatile storage.

#### Input Arguments:

**Arg2:** Function Index = 14

**Arg3:** Input Parameters = 0

#### Output Argument:

**pArg:** Output Argument Point = Panel Detail

Bit Fields	Value
<b>Bits [31:23] – Reserved</b>	Reserved for future use, must be zero
<b>Bits [22:20] – Backlight Image Adaptation (BIA) Control</b>	000 = VBT Default 001 = BIA Disabled (BLC may still be enabled) 010 - 110 = BIA Enabled at Aggressiveness Level [1 - 5]
<b>Bits [19:18] – Backlight Control (BLC) Support</b>	0 – VBT Default 1 – BLC & BIA Disabled 2 – BLC Enabled
<b>Bits [17] – Reserved</b>	Reserved for future use, must be zero
<b>Bits [16] - Lid State</b>	0 = Lid Open 1 = Lid Closed
<b>Bits [15:8] – Panel Type</b>	00h = Not Valid, use default Panel Type & Timings from VBT 01h - 0Fh = Panel Number
<b>Bits [7:0] – Panel Scaling</b>	0 – On: Auto 1 – On: Force Scaling 2 – Off 3 – Maintain Aspect Ratio

### 6.1.16 Get Internal Graphics “Function #15”

Get Internal Graphics Configuration.

#### Input Arguments:

**Arg2:** Function Index = 15

**Arg3:** Input Parameters = 0



**Output Argument:**

**pArg:** Output Argument Point = Actual GMCH Configuration

Bit Fields	Value
<b>Bits [31:21] – Current Graphics Core Speed (in MHz)</b>	When multiple speeds are supported by the GMCH this field will be the “Core-Clock High” Speed
<b>Bits [20:13] – DVMT Graphics Memory Size</b>	See DVMT Graphics Memory Sizes Per Version Table Below
<b>Bits [12:11] – DVMT Version</b>	00 – DVMT 2.0 01 – DVMT 3.0 10 – DVMT 4.0 11 – DVMT 5.0
<b>Bits [10:5] – Reserved</b>	Reserved for future use
<b>Bits [4] – GMCH S3 State</b>	0 = D3-Cold (default) 1 = D3-Hot
<b>Bits [3] – SR/ RD RAM Local memory Self Refresh</b>	0 – Not Supported 1 – Self Refresh supported in power state S3, D3-Cold
<b>Bits [2] – Memory Type</b>	0 – Pre-Allocated Memory 1 – Local Memory
<b>Bits [1] – FN, Device 2 should use 1 or 2 Functions</b>	0 = 1 Function (Single or Multi-Head) 1 = 2 Functions (Multi-Function)
<b>Bits [0] – GMCH VGA Mode</b>	0 = Non-VGA 1 = VGA

DVMT Version	Gfx Memory B Bits[13:16]	Gfx Memory A Bits[17:20]	Combo-Mode	Memory Type
2.0 or 3.0	0 = 0 MB 1 = 32 MB 2 = 64 MB 4 = 128 MB	0 = 0 MB 1 = 32 MB 2 = 64 MB 4 = 128 MB 7 = 224 MB	YES (Valid only when Bits[20:13] = 22h)	Gfx Memory A – DVMT Memory Gfx Memory B – Fixed Memory
4.0	0 = N/A 1 = 128 MB 2 = 256 MB	0 = N/A 1 = 128 MB 2 = 256 MB 3 = 384 MB DVMT Max	NO	Gfx Memory A – DVMT Memory Gfx Memory B – Fixed Memory





DVMT Version	Gfx Memory B Bits[13:16]	Gfx Memory A Bits[17:20]	Combo-Mode	Memory Type
5.0	0 = Reserved	0 = N/A 1 = 128 MB 2 = 256 MB 3 = DVMT Max	NA	Gfx Memory A – Total Gfx Memory

### 6.1.17 Get AKSV “Function #16”

This function gets AKSV from System BIOS. In manufacturing mode, System BIOS should provide AKSV when driver invokes this \_DSM.

#### Input Arguments:

**Arg2:** Function Index = 16

**Arg3:** Input Parameters = 0

#### Output Argument:

**pArg:** Output Argument Point = 5 bytes AKSV

