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## Fibre Channel Registered State Change Notification (RSCN) MIB

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### Abstract

This memo defines a portion of the Management Information Base (MIB) for use with network management protocols in the Internet community. In particular, it describes managed objects for information related to the management of Fibre Channel's Registered State Change Notifications (RSCNs).

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## 1. Introduction

This memo defines a portion of the Management Information Base (MIB) for use with network management protocols in the Internet community. In particular, it describes managed objects for information related to Registered State Change Notifications (RSCNs) [FC-LS] in a Fibre Channel network, including which Nx\_Ports are registered to receive which types of RSCNs, the control and generation of Simple Network Management Protocol (SNMP) notifications on registration failures, and RSCN-related statistics.

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## 2. The Internet-Standard Management Framework

For a detailed overview of the documents that describe the current Internet-Standard Management Framework, please refer to [section 7 of RFC 3410](#) [RFC3410].

Managed objects are accessed via a virtual information store, termed the Management Information Base or MIB. MIB objects are generally accessed through the Simple Network Management Protocol (SNMP). Objects in the MIB are defined using the mechanisms defined in the Structure of Management Information (SMI). This memo specifies a MIB module that is compliant to the SMIV2, which is described in STD 58, RFC 2578 [RFC2578], STD 58, RFC 2579 [RFC2579] and STD 58, RFC 2580 [RFC2580].

## 3. Short Overview of Fibre Channel

The Fibre Channel (FC) is logically a bidirectional point-to-point serial data channel, structured for high performance. Fibre Channel provides a general transport vehicle for higher level protocols such as Small Computer System Interface (SCSI) command sets, the High-Performance Parallel Interface (HIPPI) data framing, IP (Internet Protocol), IEEE 802.2, and others.

Physically, Fibre Channel is an interconnection of multiple communication points, called N\_Ports, interconnected either by a switching network, called a Fabric, or by a point-to-point link. A

Fibre Channel "node" consists of one or more N\_Ports. A Fabric may consist of multiple Interconnect Elements, some of which are switches. An N\_Port connects to the Fabric via a port on a switch called an F\_Port. When multiple FC nodes are connected to a single port on a switch via an "Arbitrated Loop" topology, the switch port is called an FL\_Port, and the nodes' ports are called NL\_Ports. The term Nx\_Port is used to refer to either an N\_Port or an NL\_Port. The term Fx\_Port is used to refer to either an F\_Port or an FL\_Port. A switch port, which is interconnected to another switch port via an Inter-Switch Link (ISL), is called an E\_Port. A B\_Port connects a bridge device with an E\_Port on a switch; a B\_Port provides a subset of E\_Port functionality.

Many Fibre Channel components, including the fabric, each node, and most ports, have globally unique names. These globally unique names are typically formatted as World Wide Names (WWNs). More information on WWNs can be found in [FC-FS]. WWNs are expected to be persistent across agent and unit resets.

Fibre Channel frames contain 24-bit address identifiers that identify the frame's source and destination ports. Each FC port has both an address identifier and a WWN. When a fabric is in use, the FC address identifiers are dynamically assigned by a switch. Each octet of a 24-bit address represents a level in an address hierarchy, with a Domain\_ID being the highest level of the hierarchy.

Registered State Change Notifications (RSCNs) are defined in [FC-LS] as a means to provide Nx\_Ports that have registered to receive such notifications with a timely indication of changes in the state of nodes attached to the fabric. Specifically, an Nx\_Port may choose to register, using a State Change Registration (SCR) request [FC-LS] to receive RSCNs. When an event occurs that may affect a registered Nx\_Port's port's state, the registered Nx\_Port will receive an RSCN. For example, an Nx\_Port can use RSCNs as the means by which it is informed of the failures of other nodes, of new devices coming online, or even of more network-accessible storage becoming available. The payload of the RSCN indicates the type of change and includes the address of the changed port. RSCNs are often generated by the fabric, but an Nx\_Port can also generate (and send to the fabric) an RSCN if and when it detects an event not visible to the fabric. The sender of an RSCN may coalesce several events into a single RSCN message. Each RSCN is a "request" that is acknowledged by the receiver with an accept or reject.

An RSCN is received by an Nx\_Port from the Fabric as an Extended Link Service (ELS) request [FC-LS]. The Fabric distributes RSCNs between Switches using an SW\_ILS frame with an Inter-Switch RSCN payload, also known as an SW\_RSCN [FC-SW-4]. So, when a Switch has directly

attached Nx\_Ports that have registered to receive RSCNs, it converts received SW\_RSCNs (i.e., SW\_ILS frames containing SW\_RSCN payloads) into ELS requests containing the corresponding RSCN which it sends to each such Nx\_Port.

The latest standard for an interconnecting Fabric containing multiple Fabric Switch elements is [FC-SW-4]. [FC-SW-4] carries forward the earlier specification for the operation of a single Fabric in a physical infrastructure, and augments it with the definition of Virtual Fabrics and with the specification of how multiple Virtual Fabrics can operate within one (or more) physical infrastructures. The use of Virtual Fabrics provides for each frame to be tagged in its header to indicate which one of several Virtual Fabrics that frame is being transmitted on. All frames entering a particular "Core Switch" [FC-SW-4] (i.e., a physical switch) on the same Virtual Fabric are processed by the same "Virtual Switch" within that Core Switch.

#### 4. Relationship to Other MIBs

The first standardized MIB for Fibre Channel [RFC2837] was focused on Fibre Channel switches. It was replaced by the more generic Fibre Channel Management MIB [RFC4044] which defines basic information for Fibre Channel hosts and switches, including extensions to the standard [IF-MIB] for Fibre Channel interfaces. [RFC4044] includes the specification of how the generic objects defined in [IF-MIB] apply to Fibre Channel interfaces.

This MIB imports some common Textual Conventions defined in the T11-TC-MIB [RFC4439] and in the T11-FC-NAME-SERVER-MIB [RFC4438].

#### 5. MIB Overview

This section explains the use of a Fibre Channel management instance, a Switch Index, and a Fabric Index. It also describes the four MIB groups contained in the MIB.

##### 5.1. Fibre Channel Management Instance

A Fibre Channel management instance is defined in [RFC4044] as a separable managed instance of Fibre Channel functionality. Fibre Channel functionality may be grouped into Fibre Channel management instances in whatever way is most convenient for the implementation(s). For example, one such grouping accommodates a single SNMP agent having multiple AgentX [RFC2741] sub-agents, with each sub-agent implementing a different Fibre Channel management instance.

The object, `fcmInstanceIndex`, is IMPORTed from the FC-MGMT-MIB [RFC4044] as the index value to uniquely identify each Fibre Channel management instance, for example, within the same SNMP context ([RFC3411], section 3.3.1).

## 5.2. Switch Index

The FC-MGMT-MIB [RFC4044] defines the `fcmSwitchTable` as a table of information about Fibre Channel switches which are managed by Fibre Channel management instances. Each Fibre Channel management instance can manage one or more Fibre Channel switches. The Switch Index, `fcmSwitchIndex`, is IMPORTed from the FC-MGMT-MIB as the index value to uniquely identify a Fibre Channel switch amongst those (one or more) managed by the same Fibre Channel management instance.

## 5.3. Fabric Index

Whether operating on a Physical Fabric (i.e., without Virtual Fabrics) or within a Virtual Fabric, the manner of operation of RSCNs within a/each Fabric is identical. Therefore, this MIB defines all Fabric-related information in tables that are INDEXed by an arbitrary integer, named a "Fabric Index", the syntax of which is IMPORTed from the T11-TC-MIB [RFC4439]. When a device is connected to a single Physical Fabric, without use of any Virtual Fabrics, the value of this Fabric Index will always be 1. In an environment of multiple Virtual and/or Physical Fabrics, this index provides a means to distinguish one Fabric from another.

It is quite possible, and may even be likely, that a Fibre Channel switch will have ports connected to multiple Virtual and/or Physical Fabrics. Thus, in order to simplify a management protocol query concerning all the Fabrics to which a single switch is connected, `fcmSwitchIndex` will be listed before `t11FcRscnFabricIndex` when they both appear in the same INDEX clause.

## 5.4. The `t11FcRscnRegistrationGroup` Group

This group contains information about the `Nx_Ports` which have registered to receive RSCNs.

## 5.5. The `t11FcRscnNotifyGroup` Group

This group contains two notifications: one generated when a switch rejects an SCR or RSCN; the other when a switch rejects an SW\_RSCN.

#### 5.5.1. Flow-Control for Notifications

When defining SNMP notifications for events that occur in the data-plane, the maximum frequency of their generation needs to be considered. Unless there is some limiting factor, such notifications need to be flow-controlled in some way, e.g., defined such that after some maximum number within a specified time interval have occurred, further notifications are suppressed for some subsequent time interval. However, when such a suppression occurs, the Network Management System (NMS) that didn't receive the notifications (because they were suppressed) needs to be able to obtain an indication of how many were suppressed. Therefore, an additional Counter32 object needs to be defined, and/or a new type of notification needs to be defined for use at the end of the interval. While this is extra complexity, it is necessary for notifications that need to be flow-controlled.

In contrast, for notifications such as both the ones defined in this MIB module, which are generated due to control-plane events (and are not able to start a chain reaction), the extra complexity of flow-controlling these types of notifications is not warranted.

#### 5.6. The t11FcRscnNotifyControlGroup Group

This group contains one object for each notification in the t11FcRscnNotifyGroup group to enable/disable that notification, as well as three objects that record information about the latest rejection of an SCR, RSCN or SW\_RSCN. Specifically, they record the content (if available) of the rejected request, the source of the rejected request, and the reason for the rejection.

#### 5.7. The t11FcRscnStatsGroup Group

This group contains RSCN-related statistics. Two levels of statistics are included:

- 1) counters at the message-type level, for:
  - the number of SCRs received/rejected,
  - the number of RSCNs sent/received/rejected,
  - the number of SW\_RSCNs sent/received/rejected.
- 2) counters for each different category of sent/received RSCNs, where different categories are indicated by different values of the 'Event Qualifier' contained in an RSCN message. Note that if and when several RSCN events are coalesced into a single RSCN message, then that message may be counted in more than one of these counters. No counters are defined in this MIB for the 'Event Qualifier' value of '0001'b (meaning "Changed Name

Server Object") because these types of RSCNs are counted by the t11NsInRscns and t11NsOutRscns objects already defined in [RFC4438].

## 6. Definitions

### 6.1. The T11-FC-RSCN-MIB Module

T11-FC-RSCN-MIB DEFINITIONS ::= BEGIN

-- The Fibre Channel RSCN MIB

--

-- for the monitoring of registrations by Nx\_Ports to receive  
 -- Registered State Change Notifications (RSCNs), and the  
 -- monitoring of RSCN usage.

--

IMPORTS

MODULE-IDENTITY, OBJECT-TYPE,  
 NOTIFICATION-TYPE,  
 Counter32, mib-2 FROM SNMPv2-SMI -- [RFC2578]  
 MODULE-COMPLIANCE, OBJECT-GROUP,  
 NOTIFICATION-GROUP FROM SNMPv2-CONF -- [RFC2580]  
 TruthValue FROM SNMPv2-TC -- [RFC2579]  
 fcmInstanceIndex, fcmSwitchIndex,  
 FcNameIdOrZero, FcAddressIdOrZero FROM FC-MGMT-MIB -- [RFC4044]  
 T11NsGs4RejectReasonCode FROM T11-FC-NAME-SERVER-MIB -- [RFC4438]  
 T11FabricIndex FROM T11-TC-MIB; -- [RFC4439]

t11FcRscnMIB MODULE-IDENTITY

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DESCRIPTION

"The MIB module for the management of registrations



by Nx\_Ports to receive RSCNs (Registered State Change Notifications) on a Fibre Channel Fabric, as defined in FC-LS, and for the monitoring of RSCNs sent/received or rejected in a Fibre Channel Fabric.

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DESCRIPTION

"Initial version of this MIB module, published as RFC 4983."  
::= { mib-2 161 }

t11FcRscnNotifications OBJECT IDENTIFIER ::= { t11FcRscnMIB 0 }  
t11FcRscnObjects OBJECT IDENTIFIER ::= { t11FcRscnMIB 1 }  
t11FcRscnConformance OBJECT IDENTIFIER ::= { t11FcRscnMIB 2 }  
t11FcRscnRegistrations OBJECT IDENTIFIER ::= { t11FcRscnObjects 1 }  
t11FcRscnStats OBJECT IDENTIFIER ::= { t11FcRscnObjects 2 }  
t11FcRscnInformation OBJECT IDENTIFIER ::= { t11FcRscnObjects 3 }

-- State Change Registration Table

t11FcRscnRegTable OBJECT-TYPE

SYNTAX SEQUENCE OF T11FcRscnRegEntry

MAX-ACCESS not-accessible

STATUS current

DESCRIPTION

"A table of Nx\_Ports that have registered to receive RSCNs on all Fabrics configured on one or more Fibre Channel switches."

::= { t11FcRscnRegistrations 1 }

t11FcRscnRegEntry OBJECT-TYPE

SYNTAX T11FcRscnRegEntry

MAX-ACCESS not-accessible

STATUS current

DESCRIPTION

"An entry containing information about one Nx\_Port that has registered with a particular switch (identified by values of fcmInstanceIndex and fcmSwitchIndex) for a particular Fabric (identified by a t11FcRscnFabricIndex value)."

INDEX { fcmInstanceIndex, fcmSwitchIndex, t11FcRscnFabricIndex,  
t11FcRscnRegFcId }

::= { t11FcRscnRegTable 1 }

T11FcRscnRegEntry ::= SEQUENCE {

```

t11FcRscnFabricIndex      T11FabricIndex,
t11FcRscnRegFcId          FcAddressIdOrZero,
t11FcRscnRegType          BITS
}

```

#### t11FcRscnFabricIndex OBJECT-TYPE

```

SYNTAX      T11FabricIndex
MAX-ACCESS  not-accessible
STATUS      current

```

##### DESCRIPTION

"An index value that uniquely identifies a particular Fabric.

In a Fabric conformant to FC-SW-4, multiple Virtual Fabrics can operate within one (or more) physical infrastructures. In such a case, this index value is used to uniquely identify a particular Fabric within a physical infrastructure.

In a Fabric that has (or can have) only a single Fabric operating within the physical infrastructure, the value of this Fabric Index will always be 1."

##### REFERENCE

"ANSI INCITS 418-2006, Fibre Channel - Switch Fabric - 4 (FC-SW-4), December 2006."

```
::= { t11FcRscnRegEntry 1 }
```

#### t11FcRscnRegFcId OBJECT-TYPE

```

SYNTAX      FcAddressIdOrZero (SIZE (3))
MAX-ACCESS  not-accessible
STATUS      current

```

##### DESCRIPTION

"The Fibre Channel Address Identifier of the registering Nx\_Port."

```
::= { t11FcRscnRegEntry 2 }
```

#### t11FcRscnRegType OBJECT-TYPE

```

SYNTAX      BITS {
                fromFabricController(0),
                fromNxPort(1)
            }

```

```
MAX-ACCESS  read-only
```

```
STATUS      current
```

##### DESCRIPTION

"This object indicates the type of registration desired by the registering Nx\_Port, one bit per type:

'fromFabricController' -- RSCNs generated for events

detected by the Fabric Controller.

'fromNxPorts' -- RSCNs generated for events  
detected by the affected Nx\_Port."

#### REFERENCE

"ANSI INCITS 433-2007, Fibre Channel - Link Services  
(FC-LS), July 2007, Table 40."

::= { t11FcRscnRegEntry 3 }

#### -- Statistics

t11FcRscnStatsTable OBJECT-TYPE

SYNTAX SEQUENCE OF T11FcRscnStatsEntry

MAX-ACCESS not-accessible

STATUS current

#### DESCRIPTION

"The RSCN-related statistics on all Fabrics configured  
on one or more Fibre Channel switches.

Two levels of statistics are included:

- 1) counters at the message-type level, for:
  - the number of SCRs received/rejected,
  - the number of RSCNs sent/received/rejected,
  - the number of SW\_RSCNs sent/received/rejected.
- 2) counters of sent/received RSCNs per 'Event  
Qualifier' value. Note that if and when several  
RSCN events are coalesced into a single RSCN  
message, then that message may be counted in  
more than one of these counters."

::= { t11FcRscnStats 1 }

t11FcRscnStatsEntry OBJECT-TYPE

SYNTAX T11FcRscnStatsEntry

MAX-ACCESS not-accessible

STATUS current

#### DESCRIPTION

"An entry containing statistics for a particular Fabric  
(identified by a t11FcRscnFabricIndex value) on a particular  
switch (identified by values of fcmInstanceIndex and  
fcmSwitchIndex)."

INDEX { fcmInstanceIndex, fcmSwitchIndex, t11FcRscnFabricIndex }

::= { t11FcRscnStatsTable 1 }

T11FcRscnStatsEntry ::= SEQUENCE {

t11FcRscnInScrs

Counter32,

```

t11FcRscnInRscns          Counter32,
t11FcRscnOutRscns         Counter32,
t11FcRscnInSwRscns        Counter32,
t11FcRscnOutSwRscns       Counter32,
t11FcRscnScrRejects       Counter32,
t11FcRscnRscnRejects      Counter32,
t11FcRscnSwRscnRejects    Counter32,
t11FcRscnInUnspecifiedRscns Counter32,
t11FcRscnOutUnspecifiedRscns Counter32,
t11FcRscnInChangedAttribRscns Counter32,
t11FcRscnOutChangedAttribRscns Counter32,
t11FcRscnInChangedServiceRscns Counter32,
t11FcRscnOutChangedServiceRscns Counter32,
t11FcRscnInChangedSwitchRscns Counter32,
t11FcRscnOutChangedSwitchRscns Counter32,
t11FcRscnInRemovedRscns   Counter32,
t11FcRscnOutRemovedRscns  Counter32
}

t11FcRscnInScrns OBJECT-TYPE
    SYNTAX          Counter32
    MAX-ACCESS       read-only
    STATUS           current
    DESCRIPTION
        "The number of SCRs received from Nx_Ports
        by this switch on this Fabric.

        This counter has no discontinuities other than
        those that all Counter32s have when sysUpTime=0."
    ::= { t11FcRscnStatsEntry 1 }

t11FcRscnInRscns OBJECT-TYPE
    SYNTAX          Counter32
    MAX-ACCESS       read-only
    STATUS           current
    DESCRIPTION
        "The number of RSCNs received from Nx_Ports
        by this switch on this Fabric.

        This counter has no discontinuities other than
        those that all Counter32s have when sysUpTime=0."
    ::= { t11FcRscnStatsEntry 2 }

t11FcRscnOutRscns OBJECT-TYPE
    SYNTAX          Counter32
    MAX-ACCESS       read-only
    STATUS           current

```

## DESCRIPTION

"The number of RSCNs transmitted to Nx\_Ports by this switch on this Fabric.

This counter has no discontinuities other than those that all Counter32s have when sysUpTime=0."  
 ::= { t11FcRscnStatsEntry 3 }

## t11FcRscnInSwRscns OBJECT-TYPE

SYNTAX Counter32

MAX-ACCESS read-only

STATUS current

## DESCRIPTION

"The number of SW\_RSCNs received by this switch from other switches on this Fabric.

This counter has no discontinuities other than those that all Counter32s have when sysUpTime=0."  
 ::= { t11FcRscnStatsEntry 4 }

## t11FcRscnOutSwRscns OBJECT-TYPE

SYNTAX Counter32

MAX-ACCESS read-only

STATUS current

## DESCRIPTION

"The number of SW\_RSCNs transmitted by this switch from other switches on this Fabric.

This counter has no discontinuities other than those that all Counter32s have when sysUpTime=0."  
 ::= { t11FcRscnStatsEntry 5 }

## t11FcRscnScrRejects OBJECT-TYPE

SYNTAX Counter32

MAX-ACCESS read-only

STATUS current

## DESCRIPTION

"The number of SCRs rejected by this switch on this Fabric.

This counter has no discontinuities other than those that all Counter32s have when sysUpTime=0."  
 ::= { t11FcRscnStatsEntry 6 }

## t11FcRscnRscnRejects OBJECT-TYPE

SYNTAX Counter32

MAX-ACCESS read-only

STATUS           current  
DESCRIPTION  
    "The number of RSCNs rejected by this switch on this  
    Fabric.

    This counter has no discontinuities other than  
    those that all Counter32s have when sysUpTime=0."  
 ::= { t11FcRscnStatsEntry 7 }

t11FcRscnSwRscnRejects OBJECT-TYPE

SYNTAX           Counter32  
MAX-ACCESS       read-only  
STATUS           current  
DESCRIPTION

    "The number of SW\_RSCN rejected by this switch on this  
    Fabric.

    This counter has no discontinuities other than  
    those that all Counter32s have when sysUpTime=0."  
 ::= { t11FcRscnStatsEntry 8 }

t11FcRscnInUnspecifiedRscns OBJECT-TYPE

SYNTAX           Counter32  
MAX-ACCESS       read-only  
STATUS           current  
DESCRIPTION

    "The number of Registered State Change Notifications  
    (RSCNs) received by this switch on this Fabric which  
    contained an RSCN Event Qualifier value of '0000'b  
    meaning 'Event is not specified'.

    This counter has no discontinuities other than  
    those that all Counter32s have when sysUpTime=0."

REFERENCE

    "ANSI INCITS 433-2007, Fibre Channel - Link Services  
    (FC-LS), July 2007, Table 36."

::= { t11FcRscnStatsEntry 9 }

t11FcRscnOutUnspecifiedRscns OBJECT-TYPE

SYNTAX           Counter32  
MAX-ACCESS       read-only  
STATUS           current  
DESCRIPTION

    "The number of Registered State Change Notifications  
    (RSCNs) sent by this switch on this Fabric which  
    contained an RSCN Event Qualifier value of '0000'b  
    meaning 'Event is not specified'.

This counter has no discontinuities other than those that all Counter32s have when sysUpTime=0."

## REFERENCE

"ANSI INCITS 433-2007, Fibre Channel - Link Services (FC-LS), July 2007, Table 36."

::= { t11FcRscnStatsEntry 10 }

t11FcRscnInChangedAttribRscns OBJECT-TYPE

SYNTAX Counter32

MAX-ACCESS read-only

STATUS current

## DESCRIPTION

"The number of Registered State Change Notifications (RSCNs) received by this switch on this Fabric which contained an RSCN Event Qualifier value of '0002'b meaning 'Changed Port Attribute'.

This counter has no discontinuities other than those that all Counter32s have when sysUpTime=0."

## REFERENCE

"ANSI INCITS 433-2007, Fibre Channel - Link Services (FC-LS), July 2007, Table 36."

::= { t11FcRscnStatsEntry 11 }

t11FcRscnOutChangedAttribRscns OBJECT-TYPE

SYNTAX Counter32

MAX-ACCESS read-only

STATUS current

## DESCRIPTION

"The number of Registered State Change Notifications (RSCNs) sent by this switch on this Fabric which contained an RSCN Event Qualifier value of '0002'b meaning 'Changed Port Attribute'.

This counter has no discontinuities other than those that all Counter32s have when sysUpTime=0."

## REFERENCE

"ANSI INCITS 433-2007, Fibre Channel - Link Services (FC-LS), July 2007, Table 36."

::= { t11FcRscnStatsEntry 12 }

t11FcRscnInChangedServiceRscns OBJECT-TYPE

SYNTAX Counter32

MAX-ACCESS read-only

STATUS current

## DESCRIPTION

"The number of Registered State Change Notifications (RSCNs) received by this switch on this Fabric which

contained an RSCN Event Qualifier value of '0003'b meaning 'Changed Service Object'.

This counter has no discontinuities other than those that all Counter32s have when sysUpTime=0."

REFERENCE

"ANSI INCITS 433-2007, Fibre Channel - Link Services (FC-LS), July 2007, Table 36."

::= { t11FcRscnStatsEntry 13 }

t11FcRscnOutChangedServiceRscns OBJECT-TYPE

SYNTAX Counter32

MAX-ACCESS read-only

STATUS current

DESCRIPTION

"The number of Registered State Change Notifications (RSCNs) sent by this switch on this Fabric which contained an RSCN Event Qualifier value of '0003'b meaning 'Changed Service Object'.

This counter has no discontinuities other than those that all Counter32s have when sysUpTime=0."

REFERENCE

"ANSI INCITS 433-2007, Fibre Channel - Link Services (FC-LS), July 2007, Table 36."

::= { t11FcRscnStatsEntry 14 }

t11FcRscnInChangedSwitchRscns OBJECT-TYPE

SYNTAX Counter32

MAX-ACCESS read-only

STATUS current

DESCRIPTION

"The number of Registered State Change Notifications (RSCNs) received by this switch on this Fabric which contained an RSCN Event Qualifier value of '0004'b meaning 'Changed Switch Configuration'.

This counter has no discontinuities other than those that all Counter32s have when sysUpTime=0."

REFERENCE

"ANSI INCITS 433-2007, Fibre Channel - Link Services (FC-LS), July 2007, Table 36."

::= { t11FcRscnStatsEntry 15 }

t11FcRscnOutChangedSwitchRscns OBJECT-TYPE

SYNTAX Counter32

MAX-ACCESS read-only

STATUS current



## DESCRIPTION

"The number of Registered State Change Notifications (RSCNs) sent by this switch on this Fabric which contained an RSCN Event Qualifier value of '0004'b meaning 'Changed Switch Configuration'.

This counter has no discontinuities other than those that all Counter32s have when sysUpTime=0."

## REFERENCE

"ANSI INCITS 433-2007, Fibre Channel - Link Services (FC-LS), July 2007, Table 36."

::= { t11FcRscnStatsEntry 16 }

## t11FcRscnInRemovedRscns OBJECT-TYPE

SYNTAX Counter32

MAX-ACCESS read-only

STATUS current

## DESCRIPTION

"The number of Registered State Change Notifications (RSCNs) received by this switch on this Fabric which contained an RSCN Event Qualifier value of '0005'b meaning 'Removed Object'.

This counter has no discontinuities other than those that all Counter32s have when sysUpTime=0."

## REFERENCE

"ANSI INCITS 433-2007, Fibre Channel - Link Services (FC-LS), July 2007, Table 36."

::= { t11FcRscnStatsEntry 17 }

## t11FcRscnOutRemovedRscns OBJECT-TYPE

SYNTAX Counter32

MAX-ACCESS read-only

STATUS current

## DESCRIPTION

"The number of Registered State Change Notifications (RSCNs) sent by this switch on this Fabric which contained an RSCN Event Qualifier value of '0005'b meaning 'Removed Object'.

This counter has no discontinuities other than those that all Counter32s have when sysUpTime=0."

## REFERENCE

"ANSI INCITS 433-2007, Fibre Channel - Link Services (FC-LS), July 2007, Table 36."

::= { t11FcRscnStatsEntry 18 }

```

--
-- Notification Control Table
--
t11FcRscnNotifyControlTable OBJECT-TYPE
    SYNTAX      SEQUENCE OF T11FcRscnNotifyControlEntry
    MAX-ACCESS   not-accessible
    STATUS       current
    DESCRIPTION
        "A table of control information for notifications
        generated due to the rejection of an SCR or RSCN."
    ::= { t11FcRscnInformation 1 }

t11FcRscnNotifyControlEntry OBJECT-TYPE
    SYNTAX      T11FcRscnNotifyControlEntry
    MAX-ACCESS   not-accessible
    STATUS       current
    DESCRIPTION
        "Each entry contains notification control information
        concerning the rejection of RSCN/SCRs for a particular
        Fabric (identified by the value of t11FcRscnFabricIndex)
        by a particular switch (identified by values of
        fcmInstanceId and fcmSwitchIndex)."

```

## t11FcRscnElsRejectNotifyEnable OBJECT-TYPE

SYNTAX TruthValue

MAX-ACCESS read-write

STATUS current

## DESCRIPTION

"This object specifies if a t11FcRscnElsRejectReqNotify notification should be generated when this switch rejects an RSCN or SCR on this Fabric.

Values written to this object should be retained over agent reboots."

DEFVAL { false }

::= { t11FcRscnNotifyControlEntry 2 }

## t11FcRscnRejectedRequestString OBJECT-TYPE

SYNTAX OCTET STRING (SIZE (0..255))

MAX-ACCESS read-only

STATUS current

## DESCRIPTION

"The binary content of the RSCN, SCR, or SW\_RSCN that was most recently rejected by this switch on this Fabric. The value is formatted as an octet string (in network byte order) as described in the relevant Fibre Channel standard, containing the payload (which is typically a list of affected ports and error codes) of the rejected RSCN or SCR as described in FC-LS, or the rejected SW\_RSCN as described in FC-SW-4.

This object contains the zero-length string if and when the RSCN/SCR/SW\_RSCN payload is unavailable. When the length of this object is 255 octets, it contains the first 255 octets of the payload (in network byte order)."

## REFERENCE

"ANSI INCITS 433-2007, Fibre Channel - Link Services (FC-LS), July 2007, Tables 34 & 39.

ANSI INCITS 418-2006, Fibre Channel - Switch Fabric - 4 (FC-SW-4), December 2006, Table 45."

::= { t11FcRscnNotifyControlEntry 3 }

## t11FcRscnRejectedRequestSource OBJECT-TYPE

SYNTAX FcNameIdOrZero

MAX-ACCESS read-only

STATUS current

## DESCRIPTION

"The WWN that was the source of the RSCN, SCR, or SW\_RSCN that was most recently rejected by this switch on this Fabric."

```
::= { t11FcRscnNotifyControlEntry 4 }
```

t11FcRscnRejectReasonCode OBJECT-TYPE

SYNTAX T11NsGs4RejectReasonCode

MAX-ACCESS read-only

STATUS current

DESCRIPTION

"This object contains the Reason Code of the most recent rejection by this switch of an RSCN, SCR or SW\_RSCN on this Fabric."

REFERENCE

"ANSI INCITS 433-2007, Fibre Channel - Link Services (FC-LS), July 2007, Table 146.

ANSI INCITS 418-2006, Fibre Channel - Switch Fabric - 4 (FC-SW-4), December 2006, Table 5."

```
::= { t11FcRscnNotifyControlEntry 5 }
```

t11FcRscnRejectReasonCodeExp OBJECT-TYPE

SYNTAX OCTET STRING (SIZE(1))

MAX-ACCESS read-only

STATUS current

DESCRIPTION

"This object contains the Reason Code Explanation of the most recent rejection by this switch of an RSCN, SCR or SW\_RSCN on this Fabric."

REFERENCE

"ANSI INCITS 433-2007, Fibre Channel - Link Services (FC-LS), July 2007, Table 147.

ANSI INCITS 418-2006, Fibre Channel - Switch Fabric - 4 (FC-SW-4), December 2006, Table 6."

```
::= { t11FcRscnNotifyControlEntry 6 }
```

t11FcRscnRejectReasonVendorCode OBJECT-TYPE

SYNTAX OCTET STRING (SIZE(1))

MAX-ACCESS read-only

STATUS current

DESCRIPTION

"This object contains the Reason Vendor Specific Code of the most recent rejection by this switch of an RSCN, SCR or SW\_RSCN on this Fabric."

REFERENCE

"ANSI INCITS 433-2007, Fibre Channel - Link Services (FC-LS), July 2007, Table 148.

ANSI INCITS 418-2006, Fibre Channel - Switch Fabric - 4 (FC-SW-4), December 2006, [Section 6.1.3](#)."

```
::= { t11FcRscnNotifyControlEntry 7 }

-- Notifications

t11FcRscnElsRejectReqNotify NOTIFICATION-TYPE
    OBJECTS { t11FcRscnRejectedRequestString,
               t11FcRscnRejectedRequestSource,
               t11FcRscnRejectReasonCode,
               t11FcRscnRejectReasonCodeExp,
               t11FcRscnRejectReasonVendorCode }
    STATUS current
    DESCRIPTION
        "This notification is generated when a switch rejects
        an SCR or RSCN.

        The value of t11FcRscnRejectedRequestString indicates the
        binary content of the rejected request if available, or
        the zero-length string otherwise. The source of the
        rejected request is given by t11FcRscnRejectedRequestSource,
        and the reason for rejection is given by the values of
        t11FcRscnRejectReasonCode, t11FcRscnRejectReasonCodeExp
        and t11FcRscnRejectReasonVendorCode."
    ::= { t11FcRscnNotifications 1 }

t11FcRscnIlsRejectReqNotify NOTIFICATION-TYPE
    OBJECTS { t11FcRscnRejectedRequestString,
               t11FcRscnRejectedRequestSource,
               t11FcRscnRejectReasonCode,
               t11FcRscnRejectReasonCodeExp,
               t11FcRscnRejectReasonVendorCode }
    STATUS current
    DESCRIPTION
        "This notification is generated when a switch rejects
        an SW_RSCN.

        The value of t11FcRscnRejectedRequestString indicates the
        binary content of the rejected request if available, or
        the zero-length string otherwise. The source of the
        rejected request is given by t11FcRscnRejectedRequestSource,
        and the reason for rejection is given by the values of
        t11FcRscnRejectReasonCode, t11FcRscnRejectReasonCodeExp
        and t11FcRscnRejectReasonVendorCode."
    ::= { t11FcRscnNotifications 2 }

-- Conformance
t11FcRscnCompliances OBJECT IDENTIFIER ::= { t11FcRscnConformance 1 }
t11FcRscnGroups      OBJECT IDENTIFIER ::= { t11FcRscnConformance 2 }
```

```
t11FcRscnCompliance MODULE-COMPLIANCE
    STATUS      current
    DESCRIPTION
        "The compliance statement for entities that implement
        this MIB."
    MODULE
        MANDATORY-GROUPS { t11FcRscnRegistrationGroup,
                            t11FcRscnNotifyControlGroup,
                            t11FcRscnNotifyGroup }

    GROUP      t11FcRscnStatsGroup
    DESCRIPTION
        "These counters, containing RSCN-related statistics, are
        mandatory only for those systems that count such events."

    OBJECT      t11FcRscnIlsRejectNotifyEnable
    MIN-ACCESS   read-only
    DESCRIPTION
        "Write access is not required."

    OBJECT      t11FcRscnElsRejectNotifyEnable
    MIN-ACCESS   read-only
    DESCRIPTION
        "Write access is not required."

    ::= { t11FcRscnCompliances 1 }

-- Units of conformance

t11FcRscnRegistrationGroup OBJECT-GROUP
    OBJECTS { t11FcRscnRegType }
    STATUS      current
    DESCRIPTION
        "A collection of objects for monitoring RSCN
        registrations."
    ::= { t11FcRscnGroups 1 }

t11FcRscnStatsGroup OBJECT-GROUP
    OBJECTS { t11FcRscnInScrs,
              t11FcRscnInRscns,
              t11FcRscnOutRscns,
              t11FcRscnInSwRscns,
              t11FcRscnOutSwRscns,
              t11FcRscnScrRejects,
              t11FcRscnRscnRejects,
              t11FcRscnSwRscnRejects,
              t11FcRscnInUnspecifiedRscns,
```

```

        t11FcRscnOutUnspecifiedRscns,
        t11FcRscnInChangedAttribRscns,
        t11FcRscnOutChangedAttribRscns,
        t11FcRscnInChangedServiceRscns,
        t11FcRscnOutChangedServiceRscns,
        t11FcRscnInChangedSwitchRscns,
        t11FcRscnOutChangedSwitchRscns,
        t11FcRscnInRemovedRscns,
        t11FcRscnOutRemovedRscns
    }
    STATUS current
    DESCRIPTION
        "A collection of objects for collecting RSCN-related
        statistics."
    ::= { t11FcRscnGroups 2 }

t11FcRscnNotifyControlGroup OBJECT-GROUP
    OBJECTS { t11FcRscnIlsRejectNotifyEnable,
              t11FcRscnElsRejectNotifyEnable,
              t11FcRscnRejectedRequestString,
              t11FcRscnRejectedRequestSource,
              t11FcRscnRejectReasonCode,
              t11FcRscnRejectReasonCodeExp,
              t11FcRscnRejectReasonVendorCode
            }
    STATUS current
    DESCRIPTION
        "A collection of notification control and
        notification information objects."
    ::= { t11FcRscnGroups 3 }

t11FcRscnNotifyGroup NOTIFICATION-GROUP
    NOTIFICATIONS { t11FcRscnIlsRejectReqNotify,
                   t11FcRscnElsRejectReqNotify
                  }
    STATUS current
    DESCRIPTION
        "A collection of notifications for monitoring
        ILS and ELS rejections by the RSCN module."
    ::= { t11FcRscnGroups 4 }

END

```

## 7. IANA Considerations

IANA has assigned a MIB OID for the T11-FC-RSCN-MIB module under the appropriate subtree.

## 8. Security Considerations

There are a number of management objects defined in this MIB module with a MAX-ACCESS clause of read-write and/or read-create. Such objects may be considered sensitive or vulnerable in some network environments. The support for SET operations in a non-secure environment without proper protection can have a negative effect on network operations. These objects and their sensitivity/vulnerability are:

```
t1lFcRscnIlsRejectNotifyEnable
t1lFcRscnElsRejectNotifyEnable
-- ability to enable/disable a notification; these object, if
  misconfigured, would either generate unwanted notifications
  or suppress wanted notifications.
```

Some of the readable objects in this MIB module (i.e., objects with a MAX-ACCESS other than not-accessible) may also be considered sensitive or vulnerable in some network environments. It is thus important to control even GET and/or NOTIFY access to these objects and possibly to even encrypt the values of these objects when sending them over the network via SNMP. These are the tables and objects and their sensitivity/vulnerability:

```
t1lFcRscnRegTable -- contains a list of Nx_Ports that are
  currently registered to received RSCNs.
```

```
t1lFcRscnStatsTable -- contains RSCN-related statistics.
```

```
t1lFcRscnNotifyControlTable -- contains control and logging
  information for notifications that are concerned with the
  rejection of RSCN-related requests.
```

SNMP versions prior to SNMPv3 did not include adequate security. Even if the network itself is secure (for example by using IPsec), even then, there is no control as to who on the secure network is allowed to access and GET/SET (read/change/create/delete) the objects in this MIB module.

It is RECOMMENDED that implementors consider the security features as provided by the SNMPv3 framework (see [\[RFC3410\]](#), [section 8](#)), including full support for the SNMPv3 cryptographic mechanisms (for authentication and privacy).

Further, deployment of SNMP versions prior to SNMPv3 is NOT RECOMMENDED. Instead, it is RECOMMENDED to deploy SNMPv3 and to enable cryptographic security. It is then a customer/operator



responsibility to ensure that the SNMP entity giving access to an instance of this MIB module is properly configured to give access to the objects only to those principals (users) that have legitimate rights to indeed GET or SET (change/create/delete) them.

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