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### Fibre Channel Name Server 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 Name Server function of a Fibre Channel network. The Fibre Channel Name Server provides a means for Fibre Channel ports to register and discover Fibre Channel names and attributes.

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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 the Fibre Channel network's Name Server function, which provides a means for Fibre Channel ports to register and discover Fibre Channel attributes. Such attributes include names, addresses, types, features, etc., at various protocol layers.

# 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, which 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 dynamic and are 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.

The Fibre Channel Name Server provides a way for N\_Ports and NL\_Ports to register and discover Fibre Channel attributes. Such attributes include names, addresses, types, features, etc., at various protocol layers, including upper layer protocols specific to Fibre Channel (which are sometimes called "FC-4s"). Communication with the Name Server is via Fibre Channel's CT (Common Transport for Generic Services) using "Information Units" (called CT\_IUs) as either requests, responses, or unsolicited.

Registrations may be performed by a third party. However, the Name Server may refuse such third-party registration for unspecified reasons. Once registered, the attributes are made available to requestors.

Requestors could learn about new registrations via periodic polling of the Name Server, but such polling would generate a considerable overhead. To avoid this overhead, the Registered State Change Notification (RSCN) mechanism defined in FC-FS [FC-FS] allows an Nx\_Port to register to receive an RSCN whenever an event occurs that may affect the state of other Nx\_Port(s), including changes in the information registered with the Name Server.

The Fibre Channel Name Server is defined in the FC-GS specification, The latest specification is [FC-GS-4]; the previous version was [FC-GS-3].

# 4. Relationship to Other MIBs

The first standardized MIB for Fibre Channel [RFC2837] was focused on Fibre Channel switches. It was obsoleted by the more generic Fibre Channel Management MIB [FC-MGMT], which defines basic information for Fibre Channel hosts and switches, including extensions to the standard IF-MIB [IF-MIB] for Fibre Channel interfaces.

This MIB extends beyond [FC-MGMT] to cover the functionality, in Fibre Channel switches, of providing Fibre Channel's Name Server function.

This MIB also imports some common textual conventions from T11-TC-MIB, defined in [FC-FAM-MIB].

#### 5. MIB Overview

This MIB module provides the means for monitoring the operation of, and configuring some parameters of, one or more instances of Fibre Channel Name Server functionality. (Note that there are no definitions in this MIB module of "managed actions" that can be invoked via SNMP.)

# **5.1.** Fibre Channel Management Instance

A Fibre Channel management instance is defined in [FC-MGMT] 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 [FC-MGMT] as the index value to uniquely identify each Fibre Channel management instance within the same SNMP context ([RFC3411], section 3.3.1).

#### 5.2. Name Server Information Subset

In addition to allowing for multiple Fibre Channel management instances, this MIB is based on the notion that the information registered with the Name Server is available as one or more subsets. The MIB allows the different subsets to be accessed either:

- via different SNMP agents/contexts,via different Fibre Channel management instances within the same SNMP agent/context, and/or
- via the same Fibre Channel management instance within the same SNMP agent/context.

The union of these subsets (across all agents/contexts in the network) represents the total set of information registered with the Name Server. Note that the intersection of the subsets is often non-empty, and the use of the term "subset" does not preclude any subset from containing the complete set of Name Server information. Each of these subsets is identified using an index value called a Name Server Information Subset Index.

Thus, all objects in this MIB are in tables that are INDEXed by at least fcmInstanceIndex and t11NsInfoSubsetIndex, where the latter contains a Name Server Information Subset Index value.

#### 5.3. Fabric Index

The [FC-SW-3] standard for an interconnecting Fabric consisting of multiple Fabric Switch elements describes the operation of a single Fabric in a physical infrastructure. The current [FC-SW-4] standard also supports the operation of multiple Virtual Fabrics operating within one (or more) physical infrastructures. In such a scenario, each Fabric has, of course, its own management instrumentation. order to accommodate this scenario, this MIB module defines all Fabric-related information in tables that are INDEXed by an arbitrary integer, named a "Fabric Index". In a Fabric that is conformant to [FC-SW-3], the value of this Fabric Index will always be 1.

### 5.4. The MIB Groups

This section describes the six MIB groups contained in the MIB.

### 5.4.1. The t11NsDBGroup Group

This group contains information about the operation of the Name Server function acting upon a Name Server Information Subset, including an indication of whether such operation is performed local to a particular Fibre Channel switch, or independently of a Fibre Channel switch. It also contains the information currently registered in a particular Name Server Information Subset.

# 5.4.2. Three Statistics Groups

There are three groups of Name Server statistics objects:

t11NsRequestStatsGroup -- stats about requests t11NsRscnStatsGroup -- stats about (Name Server) RSCNs t11NsRejectStatsGroup -- stats about rejects

Each of these groups is conditionally mandatory; specifically, each group contains objects for particular statistics such that implementation of the group is mandatory only for an implementation that counts/captures the group's particular statistics.

The intent here is not to force implementations to capture these statistics, but rather to have all implementations that do capture them, provide access to them via the same MIB objects.

# 5.4.3. The t11NsNotifyGroup Group

This group contains a set of notifications that provide for monitoring the rejections of Name Server Registration Requests.

# 5.4.4. The t11NsNotifyControlGroup Group

This group contains objects for controlling the generation of, and for information to be included in, the notifications defined in the t11NsNotifyGroup group.

### 5.5. The Actual Values of Objects

The objects defined in the t11NsRegTable represent the values registered with the Name Server. The SNMP agent MUST report the actual values, even if they are incorrectly formatted. This is the reason why, for example, the two objects that represent IP addresses, t11NsNodeIpAddress and t11NsPortIpAddress, have the SYNTAX of OCTET STRING, so that they are able to represent invalid values (which could not be represented using InetAddressType and InetAddress).

Similarly, each set of (t11NsRejectReasonCode, t11NsRejReasonCodeExp, t11NsRejReasonVendorCode) objects must hold the values of the actual reject, explanation, and vendor-specific codes that were present in the generated Reject message (the "Reject CT\_IU"), irrespective of whether or not such code values were appropriate.

#### The T11-FC-NAME-SERVER-MIB Module

#### T11-FC-NAME-SERVER-MIB DEFINITIONS ::= BEGIN

-- The MIB for management of the Fibre Channel functionality which

-- implements the Name Server function.

### **IMPORTS**

MODULE-IDENTITY, OBJECT-TYPE, NOTIFICATION-TYPE, Unsigned32, FROM SNMPv2-SMI -- [RFC2578] Counter32, Integer32, mib-2 MODULE-COMPLIANCE, OBJECT-GROUP NOTIFICATION-GROUP FROM SNMPv2-CONF -- [RFC2580] FROM SNMP-FRAMEWORK-MIB -- [RFC3411] **SnmpAdminString** SnmpAdminstring
TruthValue, TEXTUAL-CONVENTION,
FROM SNMPv2-TC -- [RFC2579] fcmInstanceIndex, FcPortType, FcAddressIdOrZero, FcClasses, FcNameIdOrZero FROM FC-MGMT-MIB -- [FC-MGMT] FROM T11-TC-MIB -- [FC-FAM-MIB]

T11FabricIndex t11FamLocalSwitchWwn

FROM T11-FC-FABRIC-ADDR-MGR-MIB; -- [FC-FAM-MIB]

# t11FcNameServerMIB MODULE-IDENTITY LAST-UPDATED "200603020000Z"

**ORGANIZATION "T11"** 

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#### DESCRIPTION

"The MIB module for the management of the functionality, which realizes the FC-GS-4 requirements for Name Server (NS).

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"200603020000Z"
     REVISION
     DESCRIPTION
             "Initial version of this MIB module, published as RFC 4438."
     ::= { mib-2 135 }
                          OBJECT IDENTIFIER ::= { t11FcNameServerMIB 0 OBJECT IDENTIFIER ::= { t11FcNameServerMIB 1 OBJECT IDENTIFIER ::= { t11FcNameServerMIB 2 OBJECT IDENTIFIER ::= { t11NsMIBObjects 1 } OBJECT IDENTIFIER ::= { t11NsMIBObjects 2 }
t11NsNotifications
t11NsMIBObiects
t11NsMIBConformance
t11NsStatus
t11NsStatistics
-- Textual Conventions
T11NsGs4RejectReasonCode ::= TEXTUAL-CONVENTION
     STATUS
                current
     DESCRIPTION
          "The FC-GS-4 reject reason code for a request.
           none(1)
                - no error.
           invalidCmdCode(2)
                - request contained an invalid command code.
           invalidVerLevel(3)
                - request contained an invalid version number.
           logicalError(4)
                - there was a logical error.
           invalidIUSize(5)
                - the CT_IU (Information Unit) size was invalid.
           logicalBusy(\overline{6})
                - the module is busy.
           protocolError(7)

    there was a protocol error.

           unableToPerformCmdReq(8)

    the command specified in the req could not be
executed. The details of exactly what failed

                  will be in the corresponding reason code
                  explanation.
           cmdNotSupported(9)
                - the command is not supported.
           serverNotAvailable(10)
                - the identified server was not available.
           couldNotEstabSession(11)

    a server session could not be established.

           vendorError(12)
                - a vendor-specific error."
     REFERENCE
            "ANSI INCITS 387-2004, Fibre Channel - Generic
             Services-4 (FC-GS-4), section 4.4.3."
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SYNTAX INTEGER {
              none(1),
               invalidCmdCode(2)
              invalidVerLevel(3).
              logicalError(4),
              invalidIUSize(5),
              logicalBusy(6),
protocolError(7),
              unableToPerformCmdReq(8),
              cmdNotSupported(9),
              serverNotAvailable(10)
              couldNotEstabSession(11),
              vendorError(12)
            }
T11NsRejReasonCodeExpl ::= TEXTUAL-CONVENTION
    STATUS
              current
    DESCRIPTION
        "The reject reason code explanation:
         noAdditionalExplanation(1)

    no additional explanation.

         portIdentifierNotRegistered(2)
             - Port Identifier not registered.
         portNameNotRegistered(3)
             - Port Name not registered.
         nodeNameNotRegistered(4)
             - Node Name not registered.
         classOfServiceNotRegistered(5)
             - Class of Service not registered.
         nodeIpAddressNotRegistered(6)

    'IP Address (Node)' value not registered.

         ipaNotRegistered(7)

    Initial Process Associator (IPA) not registered.

         fc4TypeNotRegistered(8)
              - FC-4 TYPEs not registered.
         symbolicPortNameNotRegistered(9)
              - Symbolic Port Name not registered.
         symbolicNodeNameNotRegistered(10)

    Symbolic Node Name not registered.

         portTypeNotRegistered(11)
             - 'Port Type' not registered.
         portIpAddressNotRegistered(12)
             - 'IP Address (Port)' value not registered.
         fabricPortNameNotRegistered(13)
             - Fabric Port Name not registered.
         hardAddressNotRegistered(14)
             - 'Hard Address' not registered.
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fc4DescriptorNotRegistered(15)
         - FC-4 Descriptor not registered.
     fc4FeaturesNotRegistered(16)
         - FC-4 Features not registered.
     accessDenied(17)
         - Access denied.
     unacceptablePortIdentifier(18)

    Unacceptable Port Identifier.

     databaseEmpty(19)

    Database is empty.

     noObjectRegInSpecifiedScope(20)

    no object has been registered in the specified

           scope.
     domainIdNotPresent(21)
         - Domain ID not present.
     portIdNotPresent(22)

    Port number not present.

     noDeviceAttached(23)

    No device attached.

     authorizationException(24)

    Authorization Exception.

     authenticationException(25)
         - Authentication Exception.
     databaseFull(26)
         - Database full."
REFERENCE
      "ANSI INCITS 387-2004, Fibre Channel - Generic
       Services-4 (FC-GS-4), sections 4.4.4 and 5.2.4"
SYNTAX
        INTEGER {
          noAdditionalExplanation(1),
          portIdentifierNotRegistered(2),
          portNameNotRegistered(3),
          nodeNameNotRegistered(4),
          classOfServiceNotRegistered(5),
          nodeIpAddressNotRegistered(6),
          ipaNotRegistered(7),
          fc4TypeNotRegistered(8),
          symbolicPortNameNotRegistered(9)
          symbolicNodeNameNotRegistered(10),
          portTypeNotRegistered(11),
          portIpAddressNotRegistered(12)
          fabricPortNameNotRegistered(13),
          hardAddressNotRegistered(14)
          fc4DescriptorNotRegistered(15),
          fc4FeaturesNotRegistered(16),
          accessDenied(17)
          unacceptablePortÍdentifier(18),
          databaseEmpty(19),
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noObjectRegInSpecifiedScope(20),
              domainIdNotPresent(21),
              portIdNotPresent(22),
              noDeviceAttached(23),
              authorizationException(24)
              authenticationException(25),
              databaseFull(26)
           }
-- Information about a Name Server Information Subset
t11NsInfoSubsetTable OBJECT-TYPE
                  SEQUENCE OF T11NsInfoSubsetEntry
    SYNTAX
    MAX-ACCESS
                  not-accessible
    STATUS
                  current
    DESCRIPTION
           "This table contains one entry for each Name Server
           Information Subset within each Fibre Channel
           management instance."
    ::= { t11NsStatus 1 }
t11NsInfoSubsetEntry OBJECT-TYPE
    SYNTAX
                  T11NsInfoSubsetEntry
    MAX-ACCESS
                  not-accessible
    STATUS
                  current
    DESCRIPTION
           "This entry contains information about operations
           on a particular Name Server Information Subset
           within the Fibre Channel management instance
           identified by fcmInstanceIndex."
    INDEX { fcmInstanceIndex, t11NsInfoSubsetIndex }
    ::= { t11NsInfoSubsetTable 1 }
T11NsInfoSubsetEntry ::= SEQUENCE {
    t11NsInfoSubsetIndex
                                          Unsigned32,
    t11NsInfoSubsetSwitchIndex
                                          Unsigned32,
    t11NsInfoSubsetTableLastChange
                                          TimeStamp,
    t11NsInfoSubsetNumRows
                                          Integer32,
    t11NsInfoSubsetTotalRejects
                                          Counter32,
    t11NsInfoSubsetRejReqNotfyEnable
                                          TruthValue
}
t11NsInfoSubsetIndex OBJECT-TYPE
                  Unsigned32 (1..4294967295)
    SYNTAX
    MAX-ACCESS
                  not-accessible
    STATUS
                  current
```

#### **DESCRIPTION**

"An arbitrary integer value that uniquely identifies this Name Server Information Subset amongst all others within the same Fibre Channel management instance.

It is mandatory to keep this value constant between restarts of the agent and to make every possible effort to keep it constant across such restarts. ::= { t11NsInfoSubsetEntry 1 }

### t11NsInfoSubsetSwitchIndex OBJECT-TYPE

Unsigned32 (0..4294967295) SYNTAX

MAX-ACCESS read-only **STATUS** current

DESCRIPTION

"The value of this object is zero when operations upon this Name Server Information Subset do not occur at a local Fibre Channel switch; otherwise, it is non-zero and identifies the local switch.

The switch identified by a non-zero value of this object is the same switch as is identified by the same value of fcmSwitchIndex."

#### REFERENCE

"fcmSwitchIndex is defined in the FC-MGMT-MIB module" ::= { t11NsInfoSubsetEntry 2 }

### t11NsInfoSubsetTableLastChange OBJECT-TYPE

**SYNTAX** TimeStamp MAX-ACCESS read-only **STATUS** current

DESCRIPTION

"The value of sysUpTime at the time of the last update to any entry in the t11NsRegTable with the same values of fcmInstanceIndex and t11NsInfoSubsetIndex. includes creation of an entry, deletion of an entry, or modification of an existing entry. If no such update has taken place since the last re-initialization of the local network management subsystem, then this object contains a zero value."

::= { t11NsInfoSubsetEntry 3 }

### t11NsInfoSubsetNumRows OBJECT-TYPE

SYNTAX Integer32 (0..2147483647)

MAX-ACCESS read-only STATUS current

**DESCRIPTION** 

"The number of Nx\_Ports currently registered in this

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Name Server Information Subset, i.e., the number of rows in the t11NsRegTable with the same values of
           fcmInstanceIndex and t11NsInfoSubsetIndex.'
    ::= { t11NsInfoSubsetEntry 4 }
t11NsInfoSubsetTotalRejects OBJECT-TYPE
                  Counter32
    SYNTAX
    MAX-ACCESS
                  read-only
    STATUS
                  current
    DESCRIPTION
           "The total number of (CT IU) Requests for Name Server
           functions that were rejected for inclusion in this
           Name Server Information Subset, across all Fabrics
           for which it contains information.
           This counter has no discontinuities other than those
           that all Counter32s have when sysUpTime=0.'
    ::= { t11NsInfoSubsetEntry 5 }
t11NsInfoSubsetRejReqNotfyEnable OBJECT-TYPE
                  TruthValue
    SYNTAX
    MAX-ACCESS
                  read-write
    STATUS
                  current
    DESCRIPTION
           "This object indicates whether 't11NsRejectRegNotify'
           notifications are generated by rejections of requests
           to register information in this Name Server Information
           Subset.
           If value of this object is 'true', then the
           notification is generated when a request is rejected.
           If it is 'false', the notification is not generated.
           The persistence of values of this object across an
           agent reboot is implementation-dependent.'
    DEFVAL { false }
    ::= { t11NsInfoSubsetEntry 6 }
-- Registered Port Information
t11NsReqTable OBJECT-TYPE
    SYNTAX
              SEQUENCE OF T11NsRegEntry
    MAX-ACCESS
                 not-accessible
    STATUS
                  current
    DESCRIPTION
           "This table contains entries for all Nx Ports registered
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in the identified Name Server Information Subsets across
            all Fabrics for which such subsets contain information.
    ::= { t11NsStatus 2 }
t11NsRegEntry OBJECT-TYPE
    SYNTAX T11NsRegEntry
    MAX-ACCESS
                   not-accessible
    STATUS
                   current
    DESCRIPTION
            "An entry containing information about an Nx Port
            represented by t11NsRegPortIdentifier that is registered
           with a Name Server Information Subset (identified by
            t11NsInfoSubsetIndex) within the Fibre Channel management
            instance (identified by fcmInstanceIndex) on the Fabric
(identified by t11NsRegFabricIndex)."
    INDEX { fcmInstanceIndex, t11NsInfoSubsetIndex,
             t11NsRegFabricIndex, t11NsRegPortIdentifier }
    ::= { t11NsRegTable 1 }
T11NsRegEntry ::= SEQUENCE {
    t11NsRegFabricIndex
                                      T11FabricIndex.
    t11NsRegPortIdentifier
                                      FcAddressIdOrZero,
    t11NsRegPortName
                                      FcNameIdOrZero,
    t11NsRegNodeName
                                      FcNameIdOrZero.
    t11NsRegClassOfSvc
                                      FcClasses.
    t11NsRegNodeIpAddress
                                      OCTET STRING,
                                      OCTET STRING, OCTET STRING,
    t11NsRegProcAssoc
    t11NsRegFc4Type
    t11NsRegPortType
                                      FcPortType,
    t11NsRegPortIpAddress
                                      OCTET STRING,
    t11NsRegFabricPortName
                                      FcNameIdOrZero,
    t11NsRegHardAddress
                                      FcAddressIdOrZero,
    t11NsRegSymbolicPortName
                                      SnmpAdminString,
    t11NsRegSvmbolicNodeName
                                      SnmpAdminString.
    t11NsRegFc4Features
                                      OCTET STRING
t11NsRegFabricIndex OBJECT-TYPE
    SYNTAX
                           T11FabricIndex
    MAX-ACCESS
                           not-accessible
    STATUS
                           current
    DESCRIPTION
            "A unique index value that uniquely identifies a
            particular Fabric.
            In a Fabric conformant to SW-3, only a single Fabric can operate within a single physical infrastructure, and thus,
            the value of this Fabric Index will always be 1.
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However, it is possible that future standards will define
            how multiple Fabrics, each with its own management
            instrumentation, could operate within one (or more) physical
            infrastructures. To allow for this future possibility, this
            index value is used to uniquely identify a particular Fabric within a physical infrastructure."
    ::= { t11NsRegEntry 1 }
t11NsRegPortIdentifier OBJECT-TYPE
    SYNTAX
                           FcAddressId0rZero
    MAX-ACCESS
                           not-accessible
    STATUS
                           current
    DESCRIPTION
            "The Fibre Channel Address Identifier of this Nx_Port. If no Port Identifier has been registered, then the
            value of this object is the zero-length string.
    ::= { t11NsRegEntry 2 }
t11NsRegPortName OBJECT-TYPE
                FcNameIdOrZero
    SYNTAX
    MAX-ACCESS
                   read-only
    STATUS
                   current
    DESCRIPTION
            "The Port Name (WWN) of this Nx Port.
            If this object has not been registered, then its value
            is the zero-length string."
    DEFVAL {''H}
    ::= { tllNsRegEntry 3 }
t11NsRegNodeName OBJECT-TYPE
                   FcNameIdOrZero
    SYNTAX
    MAX-ACCESS
                   read-only
    STATUS
                   current
    DESCRIPTION
            "The Node_Name (WWN) of this Nx_Port.
If this object has not been registered, then its value
            is the zero-length string."
    DEFVAL {''H}
    ::= { t11NsRegEntry 4 }
t11NsRegClassOfSvc OBJECT-TYPE
    SYNTAX
                   FcClasses
    MAX-ACCESS
                   read-only
    STATUS
                   current
    DESCRIPTION
            "The class of service indicator. This object is an
            array of bits that contain a bit map of the classes of
            service supported by the associated port. If a bit in
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this object is 1, it indicates that the class of service is supported by the associated port. When a bit is set to 0, it indicates that no class of service is supported by this Nx\_Port.

If this object has not been not registered for a port,
 then the instance for that port is not instantiated."
::= { t11NsRegEntry 5 }

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t11NsRegNodeIpAddress OBJECT-TYPE
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SYNTAX OCTET STRING (SIZE (0 | 16))

MAX-ACCESS read-only current

**DESCRIPTION** 

"The IP address of the node of this Nx\_Port, in network-byte order, either as a 32-bit IPv4 address or a 128-bit IPv6 address. For the former, the leftmost 96 bits (12 bytes) should contain x'00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 FF FF', and the IPv4 address should be present in the rightmost 32 bits.

Note that the value of this object is the IP address value that is received in the FC-GS-4 message Register IP address (Node) RIP\_NN. It is not validated against any IP address format.

If no 'IP address (Node)' has been registered, then the value of this object is the zero-length string."

REFERENCE

"ANSI INCITS 387-2004, Fibre Channel - Generic Services-4 (FC-GS-4)"

DEFVAL { ''H }

::= { t11NsRegEntry 6 }

t11NsRegProcAssoc OBJECT-TYPE

SYNTAX OCTET STRING (SIZE (0 | 8))

MAX-ACCESS read-only STATUS current

**DESCRIPTION** 

"The Fibre Channel Initial Process Associator (IPA).

If no 'Initial Process Associator' has been registered,
then the value of this object is the zero-length string."

REFERENCE

"ANSI INCITS 387-2004, Fibre Channel - Generic

Services-4 (FC-GS-4)"

DEFVAL { ''H }

::= { t11NsRegEntry 7 }

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t11NsRegFc4Type OBJECT-TYPE
                    OCTET STRING (SIZE (0 | 32))
    SYNTAX
    MAX-ACCESS
                    read-only
    STATUS
                    current
    DESCRIPTION
            "The FC-4 protocol types supported by this Nx_Port.
This is an array of 256 bits. Each bit in the array corresponds to a Type value as defined by Fibre Channel
            standards and contained in the Type field of the frame
            header. The order of the bits in the 256-bit (32-byte)
            value is the same as defined in FC-GS-4, section 5.2.3.8,
            and represented in network-byte order.
            If no 'FC-4 TYPEs' has been registered, then the
            value of this object is the zero-length string.
    REFERENCE
            "ANSI INCITS 387-2004, Fibre Channel - Generic Services-4 (FC-GS-4), section 5.2.3.8."
    DEFVAL { ''H }
    ::= { t11NsRegEntry 8 }
t11NsRegPortType OBJECT-TYPE
    SYNTAX
                    FcPortType
    MAX-ACCESS
                    read-only
    STATUS
                    current
    DESCRIPTION
            "The port type of this port.
            If no 'Port Type' has been registered, then the value
            of this object is unidentified and is represented by
            the value 'unknown'."
                                     -- 'unknown', see [FC-MGMT]
    DEFVAL { 1 }
    ::= { t11NsRegEntry 9 }
t11NsRegPortIpAddress OBJECT-TYPE
                    OCTET STRING (SIZE (0 | 16))
    SYNTAX
    MAX-ACCESS
                    read-only
    STATUS
                    current
    DESCRIPTION
            "The value that Fibre Channel calls an 'IP Address (Port)'
            that represents the IP address of the associated port.
The value is either in 32-bit IPv4 format or 128-bit IPv6
            format, in network-byte order. When this object contains an
            IPv4 address, the leftmost 96 bits (12 bytes) should contain
            x'00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 FF FF'. The IPv4 address
            should be present in the rightmost 32 bits.
            Note that the value of this object is the IP address value
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that is received in the FC-GS-4 message Register IP address (Port) RIPP\_ID. It is not validated against any IP address format.

If no 'IP address (Port)' has been registered, then the value of this object is the zero-length string."

REFERENCE

"ANSI INCITS 387-2004, Fibre Channel - Generic Services-4, (FC-GS-4)"

DEFVAL {''H}

::= { t11NsRegEntry 10 }

# t11NsRegFabricPortName OBJECT-TYPE

SYNTAX FcNameIdOrZero

MAX-ACCESS read-only STATUS current

**DESCRIPTION** 

"The Fabric Port Name (WWN) of the Fx\_Port to which this Nx\_Port is attached.

If no 'Fabric Port Name' has been registered, then the value of this object is the zero-length string."

DEFVAL {''H}

::= { t11NsRegEntry 11 }

# t11NsRegHardAddress OBJECT-TYPE

SYNTAX FcAddressIdOrZero

MAX-ACCESS read-only current

DESCRIPTION

"The format of this object is identical to the format of Hard Address defined in the Discover Address (ADISC) Extended Link Service (FC-FS).

Hard Address is the 24-bit NL\_Port identifier that consists of:

- the 8-bit Domain\_ID in the most significant byte
- the 8-bit Area\_ID in the next most significant byte
- the 8-bit AL-PA (Arbitrated Loop Physical Address) which an NL\_Port attempts acquire during FC-AL initialization in the least significant byte.

If the port is not an NL\_Port, or if it is an NL\_Port but does not have a hard address, then all bits are reported as zeros.

If no 'Hard Address' has been registered, then the

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value of this object is the zero-length string."
    DEFVAL {''H}
    ::= { t11NsRegEntry 12 }
t11NsRegSymbolicPortName OBJECT-TYPE
    SYNTAX
                    SnmpAdminString (SIZE (0..255))
    MAX-ACCESS
                    read-only
    STATUS
                    current
    DESCRIPTION
            "The user-defined name of this port.
            If no 'Symbolic Port Name' has been registered, then
            the value of this object is the zero-length string."
    DEFVAL {''H}
    ::= { t11NsRegEntry 13 }
t11NsRegSymbolicNodeName OBJECT-TYPE
                    SnmpAdminString (SIZE (0..255))
    SYNTAX
    MAX-ACCESS
                    read-only
    STATUS
                    current
    DESCRIPTION
            "The user-defined name of the node of this port.
            If no 'Symbolic Node Name' has been registered, then
            the value of this object is the zero-length string."
    DEFVAL {''H}
    ::= { t11NsRegEntry 14 }
t11NsRegFc4Features OBJECT-TYPE
                    OCTET STRING (SIZE (0 | 128))
    SYNTAX
    MAX-ACCESS
                    read-only
    STATUS
                    current
    DESCRIPTION
            "The FC-4 Features associated with FC-4 Types on this
            port encoded as a 128-byte value in network-byte order,
            or the zero-length string if no 'FC-4 Features' have been
            registered.
            Section 5.2.3.15 of FC-GS-4 is the authoritative
            definition of the format of the 128-byte value, i.e., if different, FC-GS-4 takes precedence over the
            following description:
            The 128-byte value is an array of 4-bit values, one for
            each FC-4 Type value, positioned as follows: the 5 most significant bits of a Type value identify where it appears within the 128-byte value, specifically, within which word:
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- Word 0 (of the 128-byte value) contains information related to Types '00' through '07';

Word 1 contains information related to Types

'08' through 0F';
- and so forth, up to Word 31, which contains information related to Types 'F8' through 'FF'.

The least significant of the eight 4-bit values in each Word represents an FC-4 Type with 000 as its 3 least significant bits, and most significant 4-bit value in each Word represents an FC-4 Type with 111 as its 3 least significant bits."

REFERENCE

"ANSI INCITS 387-2004, Fibre Channel - Generic Services-4 (FC-GS-4), section 5.2.3.15.' DEFVAL {''H} ::= { t11NsRegEntry 15 }

-- Registered FC-4 Descriptors

t11NsRegFc4DescriptorTable OBJECT-TYPE

SYNTAX SEQUENCE OF T11NsRegFc4DescriptorEntry

MAX-ACCESS not-accessible

**STATUS** current

**DESCRIPTION** 

"This table contains entries for all FC-4 Descriptors registered in the identified Name Server Information Subsets across all Fabrics for which such subsets contain information."

::= { t11NsStatus 3 }

t11NsRegFc4DescriptorEntry OBJECT-TYPE

T11NsRegFc4DescriptorEntry SYNTAX

MAX-ACCESS not-accessible

**STATUS** current

DESCRIPTION

"An entry in the t11NsRegFc4DescriptorTable, containing information about an FC-4 Descriptor that is associated with a particular FC-4 Type The particular FC-4 Descriptor was value. registered by an Nx Port (identified by t11NsRegPortIdentifier) in a Name Server Information Subset (identified by t11NsInfoSubsetIndex) within the Fibre Channel management instance (identified by fcmInstanceIndex) on the Fabric (identified by

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t11NsRegFabricIndex).
            If no FC-4 Descriptors have been registered
            for a particular port, then there will be no entries in this table for that port."
    ::= { t11NsRegFc4DescriptorTable 1 }
T11NsRegFc4DescriptorEntry ::= SEQUENCE {
    t11NsRegFc4Descriptor
    t11NsRegFc4TypeValue
                                       Unsigned32,
                                       OCTET STRING
}
t11NsRegFc4TypeValue OBJECT-TYPE
                 Unsigned32 (0..255)
    SYNTAX
    MAX-ACCESS
                      not-accessible
    STATUS
                      current
    DESCRIPTION
            "An integer value that identifies an FC-4 Type value
            (representing a particular protocol type, as specified in FC-FS) for which an FC-4 Descriptor has been
            registered.
            An instance of this object contains a 'Type value'
            that corresponds to a '1' bit in the value of the t11NsRegFc4Type registered for the same port;
            this correspondence is as specified in FC-GS-4."
    REFERENCE
            "ANSI INCITS 387-2004, Fibre Channel - Generic Services-4 (FC-GS-4), section 5.2.3.8, and ANSI INCITS 373-2003, Fibre Channel - Framing and
                Signaling (FC-FS), section 9.6, Table 29.
    ::= { t11NsRegFc4DescriptorEntry 1 }
t11NsRegFc4Descriptor OBJECT-TYPE
                    OCTET STRING (SIZE (0..255))
    SYNTAX
    MAX-ACCESS
                    read-only
                    current
    STATUS
    DESCRIPTION
            "The FC-4 Descriptor value that has been registered
            for the particular port on the particular Fabric, and
            for the FC-4 Type represented by the corresponding
            value of t11NsRegFc4TypeIndex.
            The format of an FC-4 Descriptor is dependent on the
            corresponding FC-4 Type value, but is represented in
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network-byte order."
    REFERENCE
           "ANSI INCITS 387-2004, Fibre Channel - Generic
           Services-4 (FC-GS-4), section 5.2.5.42"
    ::= { t11NsRegFc4DescriptorEntry 2 }
-- Name Server per-Fabric Statistics
t11NsStatsTable OBJECT-TYPE
               SEQUENCE OF T11NsStatsEntry
    SYNTAX
    MAX-ACCESS not-accessible
    STATUS
                  current
    DESCRIPTION
           "This table contains per-Fabric state and statistics
           for operations upon the identified Name Server
           Information Subsets."
    ::= { t11NsStatistics 1 }
t11NsStatsEntry OBJECT-TYPE
                T11NsStatsEntry
    SYNTAX
    MAX-ACCESS
                 not-accessible
    STATUS
                 current
    DESCRIPTION
           "An entry in this table contains state and statistics
           for operations upon a Name Server Information Subset
           (identified by tilnsInfoSubsetIndex) within the Fibre
           Channel management instance (identified by
           fcmInstanceIndex) on the Fabric (identified by
           t11NsRegFabricIndex)."
    INDEX { fcmInstanceIndex, t11NsInfoSubsetIndex,
            t11NsRegFabricIndex }
    ::= { t11NsStatsTable 1 }
                     SEQUENCE {
T11NsStatsEntry ::=
                                  Counter32,
    t11NsInGetReas
    t11NsOutGetRegs
                                  Counter32,
    t11NsInRegReqs
                                  Counter32,
                                  Counter32,
    t11NsInDeRegRegs
                                 Counter32,
    t11NsInRscns
    t11NsOutRscns
                                 Counter32,
    t11NsRejects
                                 Counter32,
    t11NsDatabaseFull
                                 TruthValue
t11NsInGetReqs OBJECT-TYPE
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Counter32
    SYNTAX
    MAX-ACCESS
                   read-only
    STATUS
                   current
    DESCRIPTION
            "The total number of (CT_IU) Get Requests
            received requesting information from this Name
Server Information Subset on this Fabric.
            This counter has no discontinuities other than those
            that all Counter32s have when sysUpTime=0.
    ::= { t11NsStatsEntry 1 }
t11NsOutGetReqs OBJECT-TYPE
    SYNTAX
                   Counter32
    MAX-ACCESS
                   read-only
    STATUS
                   current
    DESCRIPTION
            "The total number of (CT_IU) Get Requests sent in
            order to obtain information needed in this Name Server
            Information Subset on this Fabric.
            This counter has no discontinuities other than those
            that all Counter32s have when sysUpTime=0."
    ::= { t11NsStatsEntry 2 }
t11NsInRegRegs OBJECT-TYPE
    SYNTAX
                   Counter32
    MAX-ACCESS
                   read-only
                   current
    STATUS
    DESCRIPTION
            "The total number of (CT_IU) Registration Requests received to register information in the Name Server
            Information Subset on this Fabric.
            This counter has no discontinuities other than those
            that all Counter32s have when sysUpTime=0."
    ::= { t11NsStatsEntry 3 }
t11NsInDeRegRegs OBJECT-TYPE
    SYNTAX
                   Counter32
    MAX-ACCESS
                   read-only
    STATUS
                   current
    DESCRIPTION
            "The total number of (CT IU) De-registration Requests
            received to de-register information from this Name Server
            Information Subset on this Fabric.
            This counter has no discontinuities other than those
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that all Counter32s have when sysUpTime=0."
    ::= { t11NsStatsEntry 4 }
t11NsInRscns OBJECT-TYPE
    SYNTAX
                  Counter32
    MAX-ACCESS
                 read-onlv
    STATUS
                  current
    DESCRIPTION
           "The total number of received RSCNs, indicating
           Name Server-related changes relating to this Name
           Server Information Subset on this Fabric.
           This counter has no discontinuities other than those
           that all Counter32s have when sysUpTime=0."
    ::= { t11NsStatsEntry 5 }
t11NsOutRscns OBJECT-TYPE
    SYNTAX
                  Counter32
    MAX-ACCESS
                  read-only
    STATUS
                  current
    DESCRIPTION
           "The total number of transmitted RSCNs, indicating Name Server-related changes relating to this Name
           Server Information Subset on this Fabric.
           This counter has no discontinuities other than those
           that all Counter32s have when sysUpTime=0."
    ::= { t11NsStatsEntry 6 }
t11NsRejects OBJECT-TYPE
    SYNTAX
                  Counter32
    MAX-ACCESS
                  read-only
    STATUS
                  current
    DESCRIPTION
           "The total number of CT_IU Requests for Name
           Server functions on this Name Server Information
           Subset on this Fabric that were rejected.
           This counter has no discontinuities other than those
           that all Counter32s have when sysUpTime=0."
    ::= { t11NsStatsEntry 7 }
t11NsDatabaseFull OBJECT-TYPE
    SYNTAX
                  TruthValue
    MAX-ACCESS
                  read-only
    STATUS
                  current
    DESCRIPTION
           "An indication of whether the database containing this
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Name Server Information Subset is full. This object is
            set to 'true' only if the Name Server is unable to allocate
            space for a new entry for the corresponding Fabric, and it is
            set to 'false' whenever an existing entry is deleted for the
            corresponding Fabric."
    ::= { t11NsStatsEntry 8 }
-- Reject information objects
t11NsRejectTable OBJECT-TYPE
                   SEQUENCE OF T11NsRejectEntry
    SYNTAX
    MAX-ACCESS
                   not-accessible
    STATUS
                   current
    DESCRIPTION
            "This table contains information about the most recent
            Name Server Registration Request failures for various
            ports on various Fabrics.
            If no information is available about the most recent
            rejection of a Registration Request on a particular port
            on a particular Fabric, then there will no entry in this table for that port and Fabric.
            When a t11NsRejectRegNotify notification is sent for
            such a Registration Request failure, the values of the
            objects in the relevant entry of this table are updated
            immediately prior to generating the notification.
    ::= { t11NsStatus 4 }
t11NsRejectEntry OBJECT-TYPE
    SYNTAX T11NsRejectEntry
    MAX-ACCESS not-accessible
    STATUS
                   current
    DESCRIPTION
            "An entry containing information about the most recent
            rejection of a request to register information in the Name
            Server Information Subset (identified by
            t11NsInfoSubsetIndex) within the Fibre Channel management
            instance (identified by fcmInstanceIndex) for a particular port (identified by t11NsRegPortIdentifier) on a particular Fabric (identified by t11NsRegFabricIndex)."
    INDEX { fcmInstanceIndex, t11NsInfoSubsetIndex,
             t11NsRegFabricIndex, t11NsRegPortIdentifier }
    ::= { t11NsRejectTable 1 }
T11NsRejectEntry ::= SEQUENCE {
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t11NsRejectCtCommandString
                                       OCTET STRING,
    t11NsRejectReasonCode
                                       T11NsGs4RejectReasonCode,
    t11NsRejReasonCodeExp
                                       T11NsRejReasonCodeExpl,
    t11NsRejReasonVendorCode
                                       OCTET STRING
}
t11NsRejectCtCommandString OBJECT-TYPE
                     OCTET STRING (SIZE (0..255))
    SYNTAX
    MAX-ACCESS
                     read-only
    STATUS
                    current
    DESCRIPTION
             "The binary content of the Registration Request,
            formatted as an octet string (in network byte order) containing the CT_IU, as described in Table 2 of [FC-GS-4] (including the preamble),
            which was most recently rejected for the particular Name Server Information Subset on the particular port
             on the particular Fabric.
             This object contains the zero-length string
             if and when the CT-IU's content is unavailable.
            When the length of this object is 255 octets, it
             contains the first 255 octets of the CT-IU (in
             network-byte order)."
    ::= { t11NsRejectEntry 1 }
t11NsRejectReasonCode OBJECT-TYPE
    SYNTAX
                  T11NsGs4RejectReasonCode
    MAX-ACCESS
                     read-only
    STATUS
                     current
    DESCRIPTION
            "A registration reject reason code. This object contains the reason code of the most recent Name Server Registration Request failure for the
             particular port on the particular Fabric."
     ::= { t11NsRejectEntry 2 }
t11NsRejReasonCodeExp OBJECT-TYPE
    SYNTAX
                     T11NsRejReasonCodeExpl
    MAX-ACCESS
                     read-only
    STATUS
                     current
    DESCRIPTION
             "A registration reject reason code explanation. This
             object contains the reason code explanation of the most
             recent Name Server Registration Request failure for the
             particular port on the particular Fabric."
    ::= { tilnsRejectEntry 3 }
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t11NsRejReasonVendorCode OBJECT-TYPE
                   OCTET STRING (SIZE(1))
    SYNTAX
    MAX-ACCESS
                   read-only
    STATUS
                   current
    DESCRIPTION
            "A registration reject vendor-specific code. This
           object contains the vendor-specific code of the most recent Name Server Registration Request failure for the
            particular port on the particular Fabric."
    ::= { t11NsRejectEntry 4 }
Notifications
t11NsRejectRegNotify NOTIFICATION-TYPE
               { t11FamLocalSwitchWwn,
                 t11NsRegPortName, t11NsRejectCtCommandString,
t11NsRejectReasonCode, t11NsRejReasonCodeExp,
                 t11NsRejReasonVendorCode }
    STATUS
               current
    DESCRIPTION
            "This notification is generated whenever a request to
            register information in a Name Server Information
            Subset (for which the corresponding instance of
            t11NsInfoSubsetRejReqNotfyEnable is 'true') is
            rejected on a particular Fabric for a particular Nx_Port.
           The value of t11FamLocalSwitchWwn indicates the
           WWN of the switch that received the request.
            (If the WWN is unavailable, the value is set to
            the zero-length string.)
           The value of t11NsRejectCtCommandString indicates
           the rejected request, and the values of
            t11NsRejectReasonCode, t11NsRejReasonCodeExp, and
            t11NsRejReasonVendorCode indicate the reason for
            the rejection.
            The value of t11NsRegPortName represents the Port Name
            if it is able to be extracted out of the Registration
           Request, or otherwise the value as currently registered
            on the port.
    ::= { t11NsNotifications 1 }
-- Conformance
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t11NsMIBCompliances OBJECT IDENTIFIER ::= {t11NsMIBConformance 1}
                   OBJECT IDENTIFIER ::= {t11NsMIBConformance 2}
t11NsMIBGroups
t11NsMIBCompliance MODULE-COMPLIANCE
              current
    DESCRIPTION
           "The compliance statement for entities that
           implement the Fibre Channel Name Server."
    MODULE MANDATORY-GROUPS {t11NsDBGroup,
                             t11NsNotifyControlGroup,
                             t11NsNotifyGroup}
      OBJECT t11NsInfoSubsetRejReqNotfyEnable
      MIN-ACCESS read-only
      DESCRIPTION
             "Write access is not required."
      GROUP t11NsRequestStatsGroup
      DESCRIPTION
             "This group is mandatory only for an implementation
             that captures statistics related to Name Server
             requests."
      GROUP t11NsRscnStatsGroup
      DESCRIPTION
             "This group is mandatory only for an implementation
             that captures statistics related to Name
             Server-related RSCNs.
      GROUP t11NsRejectStatsGroup
      DESCRIPTION
             "This group is mandatory only for an implementation
             that captures statistics related to Name Server
             rejects."
    ::= { t11NsMIBCompliances 1 }
-- Units of conformance
t11NsDBGroup
                    OBJECT-GROUP
    OBJECTS { t11NsInfoSubsetSwitchIndex,
              t11NsInfoSubsetTableLastChange,
              t11NsInfoSubsetNumRows,
              t11NsRegPortName,
              t11NsRegNodeName,
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t11NsRegClassOfSvc,

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t11NsRegNodeIpAddress,
              t11NsRegProcAssoc,
              t11NsRegFc4Type,
              t11NsRegPortType
              t11NsRegPortIpAddress,
              t11NsRegFabricPortName,
              t11NsRegHardAddress,
t11NsRegSymbolicPortName,
              t11NsRegSymbolicNodeName,
              t11NsRegFc4Features,
              t11NsRegFc4Descriptor }
    STATUS current
    DESCRIPTION
           "A collection of objects for monitoring the information
           registered in a Name Server Information Subset."
    ::= { t11NsMIBGroups 1 }
t11NsRequestStatsGroup OBJECT-GROUP
    OBJECTS { t11NsInGetReqs,
              t11NsOutGetRegs,
              t11NsInRegReqs,
              t11NsInDeRegRegs
              t11NsDatabaseFull\}
    STATUS current
    DESCRIPTION
           "A collection of objects for displaying Name
           Server statistics and state for Name Server requests."
    ::= { t11NsMIBGroups 2 }
t11NsRscnStatsGroup OBJECT-GROUP
    OBJECTS { t11NsInRscns,
              t11NsOutRscns }
    STATUS current
    DESCRIPTION
           "A collection of objects for displaying Name
           Server statistics for Name Server-related RSCNs."
    ::= { t11NsMIBGroups 3 }
t11NsRejectStatsGroup OBJECT-GROUP
    OBJECTS { t11NsInfoSubsetTotalRejects,
              t11NsRejects }
    STATUS current
    DESCRIPTION
           "A collection of objects for displaying Name
           Server statistics for rejects."
    ::= { t11NsMIBGroups 4 }
t11NsNotifyControlGroup OBJECT-GROUP
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OBJECTS { t11NsRejectCtCommandString,
              t11NsRejectReasonCode,
              t11NsRejReasonCodeExp,
              t11NsReiReasonVendorCode,
              t11NsInfoSubsetRejRegNotfyEnable }
    STATUS current
    DESCRIPTION
           "A collection of notification control and
           notification information objects for monitoring
           rejections of Name Server registrations.'
    ::= { t11NsMIBGroups 5 }
                         NOTIFICATION-GROUP
t11NsNotifyGroup
    NOTIFICATIONS {t11NsRejectRegNotify }
STATUS current
    DESCRIPTION
           "A collection of notifications for monitoring
           rejections of Name Server registrations."
    ::= { t11NsMIBGroups 6 }
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#### **END**

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#### 10. IANA Considerations

IANA has assigned a MIB OID to the T11-FC-NAME-SERVER-MIB module under the appropriate subtree.

# 11. Security Considerations

There is one management object 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. This object and its sensitivity/vulnerability is:

t11NsInfoSubsetRejReqNotfyEnable -- the ability to enable/disable notifications.

Such objects may be considered sensitive or vulnerable in some network environments. For example, the ability to change network topology or network speed may afford an attacker the ability to obtain better performance at the expense of other network users. The support for SET operations in a non-secure environment without proper protection can have a negative effect on network operations.

Some of the readable objects in this MIB module (i.e., objects with a MAX-ACCESS other than not-accessible) may 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:

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t11NsRegTable -- contains information about registered Nx\_Ports.

t11NsStatsTable -- contains statistics and state information about the Name Server.

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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