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1. Introduction

This document presents the Data Centers Manageability Interface (DCMI) specifications for Internet Portal servers. The DCMI specifications define standardized, abstracted interfaces to the server management subsystem specific to Data Centers Servers. These specifications are built upon the *Intelligent Platform Management Interface* (IPMI) 2.0 specification.

The term Data Centers refers to facilities involved in providing internet based services such as search, mail etc. The unique characteristics of the Internet Portal Data Centers are their huge infrastructures and very large number of servers that must be managed and maintained. This opens up new challenges and issues for server manageability.

Traditionally, server system OEMs provide a manageability subsystem that contains a vendor-specific software stack for platform management that delivers a rich set of IPMI 2.0 features. In the Internet Portal Data Centers however, only a subset of those features are typically required, thus fully equipped IPMI 2.0 stack implementations causes unnecessary complexity.

The term “Data Center Server Management” is used to refer to the monitoring and control of specific functions that are built into the platform hardware and primarily used for monitoring the health of the system hardware with reliability and uniform behavior across different vendors.

Platform management typically includes *monitoring* elements such as system temperatures, power supplies, bus errors etc. Platform management includes automatic and manually driven *recovery* capabilities such as local or remote system resets, power on/off operations, *logging* of abnormal or ‘out-of-range’ conditions for later examination. Finally, Platform Management includes *inventory* information that can help identify a failed hardware unit.

1.1. Scope

This document defines a baseline set of manageability requirements and interfaces for Data Center Server Management. The specification is targeted to manageability for Internet Portal servers.

This document uses IPMI 2.0 as its foundation. The specification inherits the IPMI architecture, common commands, event formats, data records, and capabilities that are appropriate for use in Data Center Server Management. This includes accessing the Data Center Server Management functions using IPMI via LAN, Serial, and local interfaces. An implementation may include IPMI-based features that are not called out or referenced by this specification. The existence and operation of such capabilities is outside the scope of this document as long as the system implementation is configurable in a non-volatile manner to operate in conformance with this specification.

All commands defined in this document comply with the IPMI specification unless otherwise specified. This specification is not intended to duplicate command sets from the IPMI Specification. Therefore, in most cases, this document references the IPMI specification for

command definitions. In some cases, portions of command formats and definitions are duplicated as necessary to show the usage of the command in the context of the DCMI specification.

1.2. Audience

This document is written for engineers, system integrators and software developers involved in the designing or interfacing to Data Center Server management hardware. Familiarity with microcontrollers, software programming, and PC and server architecture is assumed. For basic and/or supplemental information, refer to the appropriate reference documents.

1.3. Document Organization

Chapters 1 to 2	Provides overview and intent of the specification
Chapters 3	Provides the version map for the specification.
Chapters 4 to 6	Describes the DCMI requirements
Chapters 7 and above	Describe the command set implementation for DCMI requirements, this section requires understanding of IPMI specification.

1.4. Reference Documents

The following documents are companion and supporting specifications for DCMI and associated interfaces:

[FRU] *Platform Management FRU Information Storage Definition v1.0*, ©1999 Intel Corporation, Hewlett-Packard Company†, NEC Corporation†, and Dell Computer Corporation†. Provides the field definitions and format of Field Replaceable Unit (FRU) information.
<http://developer.intel.com/design/servers/ipmi>

[I²C] *The I²C Bus And How To Use It*, ©1995, Philips Semiconductors†. This document provides the timing and electrical specifications for I²C busses.

[IPMB] *Intelligent Platform Management Bus Communications Protocol Specification v1.0*, ©1998 Intel Corporation, Hewlett-Packard Company, NEC Corporation, and Dell Computer Corporation.

[IPMI] Intelligent Platform Management Interface Specification Revision 2.0.

[DCMI-RR] DCMI Server Management Reliability and Resilience Specification, Revision 0.3.

[RFC 2119] Key words for use in RFCs to Indicate Requirement Levels.

1.5. Conventions and Terminology

If not explicitly indicated, bits in figures are numbered with the most significant bit on the left and the least significant bit on the right. Also, unless otherwise indicated byte order, command notations, and syntax follow the conventions used in [IPMI 2.0].

Refer to [RFC 2119] for terminology definition of shall, must, should and may.

This document uses the following terms and abbreviations:

Table 1-1, Glossary

Term	Definition
BMC	Baseboard Management Controller.
DHCP	Dynamic Host Control Protocol, RFC 2131
DCMI	Data Center Management Interface.
IPMI	Intelligent Platform Manageability Interface
IPDC	Internet Portal Data Centers such as MS-Live†, Amazon†, Yahoo† etc.
Mandatory requirements	Requirements which are considered common across all the IPDC's. These requirements are designated as <i>Mandatory</i> and must be met for compliance with this specification.
MD5	RSA Data Security, Inc. MD5 Message-Digest Algorithm. An algorithm for forming a 128-bit digital signature for a set of input data. Improved over earlier algorithms such as MD2.
Optional requirements	Requirements, which may be desired by some IPDC's are designated as <i>Optional</i> in this specification. These requirements are not required to be met for compliance with this specification.
PSU	Power Supply Unit. The power supply unit that provides the power rails to the baseboard and peripheral equipments.
Recommended requirements	Requirements which are considered important by some IPDCs, but are not a common requirement across all IPDCs are designated as <i>Recommended</i> in the specification. These requirements are not required to be met for compliance with this specification. However, they may be requirements of some individual IPDCs.
SDR	Sensor Data Record. A data record, defined in IPMI, that describes the platform management sensor type, locations, event generation capabilities, and access information to software that accesses the platform management subsystem.
SEL	System Event Log. A non-volatile storage area and associated interfaces for storing system platform event information for later retrieval.
SMS	System Management Software. Local software that accesses the platform management subsystem. SMS is typically software that is designed to run as an agent or application under the OS.

2. DCMI Overview

This section presents an overview of DCMI and its main elements and characteristics.

2.1. Data Center Server Management

The term Data Center Server Management refers to autonomous monitoring and recovery features implemented directly in server management hardware and firmware. The key characteristic of Intelligent Platform Management is that inventory, monitoring, logging, and recovery control functions are available independent of the main processors, BIOS, and operating system. Platform management functions can also be made available when the system is in a powered down state.

The DCMI specifications seek to define a common subset of the key components of IPMI that is suited for the Data Center and delivers interoperability across DCMI implementations on different systems and from different vendors.

2.2. DCMI Relationship to other Management Standards

DCMI is an interface specification that is ‘management software neutral’ providing monitoring and control functions that could be exposed through standard management software interfaces.

DCMI Specification has a derived relationship to [IPMI], with the goal of only adding or modifying specific IPMI features or commands when necessary for Data Center applications and without compromising the integrity of the IPMI specification.

2.3. Data Center Manageability Requirements

In order to capture the requirements driving Data Center manageability from the broader IPMI Specification, there are specific requirements that are defined. This definition provides the ability for Data Center server system OEM(s) and users to understand the scope and usage models of IPMI from Data Center point of view.

The requirements are broadly covered under

1. Platform Functions
2. Security Expectations
3. Manageability Access

2.4. DCMI Specific Commands and Group Code

All commands that are defined by this specification as extensions to IPMI, are defined under the IPMI Group Extension Network Function code 2Ch/2Dh REQ 0x2Ch, RSP 0x2Dh.

Per the specification of the IPMI Group Extension Network Function code in [IPMI], the value DCh is used as the defining body code in the first byte of request and response message (REQ and RSP) to identify DCMI specific messages. The rest of the document will use DCGRP as the symbolic reference to the use of the Group Extension Network Function code together with DCh as the defining the body code.

DCMI Group Code (DCGRP) = DCh

2.5. DCMI 1.0 Coverage

The minimum compliance includes all mandatory requirements to be compliant with DCMI specification.

1. Mandatory features
 - a. Reliable Local and Remote Power on/off/reset.
 - b. IPMI 2.0, Serial Over LAN Console redirection from a remote server.
 - c. Identification of the server, by device ID and GUID.
 - d. Provide accurate System Event Logging.
 - e. Reliable in-band KCS and out-of-band LAN.
 - f. Monitor temperature characteristics of the server from local and remote console.
2. Recommended features
 - a. Identification of the server by Asset tags
 - b. Server manageability discovery. Refer to Section 5.6
3. Optional features
 - a. Monitor and control platform power consumption.
 - b. IPMI Terminal Mode (TMODE) support for Serial.
 - c. Remote management controller provisioning.

3. Platform Requirements

The platform requirements represent the set of manageability functions, that are required to be implemented to support DCMI. These functions shall have an ability to respond to all applicable manageability transports.

Table 3-1, Platform Requirements

Function	Function Details	In-band(I)/ Out-of-band(O) Capability*	Mandatory(M)/ Optional(O)
Identification	BMC ID/Version Info	I, O	M
	System GUID	I, O	M
	Asset Tag	I, O	M
Chassis Power	Power On	O	M
	Power Off	I, O	M
	Power Reset	I, O	M
Event Logging	Get Log in IPMI SEL format	I, O	M
	Clear Log	I, O	M
Temperature Monitoring	Inlet Temperature (s)	I, O	M
	CPU Temperature (s)	I, O	M
	Baseboard Temperature (s)	I, O	M
Power Management	Set Power Limit	I, O	O
	Get Power Limit	I, O	O
	Get Power Reading	I, O	O

* Where In-band (I) refers to functions that are accessed locally by software via an IPMI System (host) interface to BMC, and out-of-band (O) refers to functions that are accessed via a remote interface to the BMC, such as LAN.

3.1. Mandatory Requirements

3.1.1. Identification

The following lists the basic Identification support requirements for DCMI. See Section 6.4 Identification Support for additional information and requirements.

1. If the server supports identification using IPMI Asset tags, the server shall conform to FRU 1.1 Specification to define a Asset Tag information to be programmable by OEM and retrievable by a IPMI command.
2. The platform shall support a system GUID and the Get System GUID command

3.1.2. Chassis Power

The platform shall provide power on/off/reset control and status using the Chassis Control command and the Get Chassis Status command per Section 6.2 of [IPMI 2.0]. In addition, the platform shall support Get ACPI Power State command for System Power State as described in Section 20.7 of [IPMI 2.0]

Refer to [DCMI-RR] for reliability expectations.

3.1.3. Event Logging

The following lists the basic event logging and log access support requirements for DCMI. See Section 6.3 for additional information and requirements.

1. The platform shall provide System Event Log (SEL), as specified by [IPMI 2.0].
2. Per [IPMI], local or remote software is required to periodically monitor the SEL and clear it using the Clear SEL command. The platform may also offer automatic SEL rollover, clearing, or overwriting capabilities. If provided, the platform shall provide a configuration mechanism to allow capabilities to be disabled.

3.1.4. Temperature Monitor

The DCMI platform Temperature Monitor provides the basic primitives for accessing the server thermal sensors. This provides a common mechanism for acquiring the platform specific temperature data and for validating the available thermal data in DCMI conformant platforms. The following temperatures shall be provided as IPMI Analog Sensors using the 'temperature' sensor/event type.

Inlet Temperature: Defined as the temperature of the inlet edge of the chassis. This measures the airflow temperature entering the chassis. There shall be one or more inlet temperature sensors supplied by the platform.

CPU Temperature: Defined as the temperature of the processor(s). There shall be one or more temperature sensors provided for each individual processor package.

Ambient Temperature: Defined as the temperatures measured in strategic locations on the server motherboard to provide temperature mapping across the platform. There shall be one or more baseboard temperature sensors provided for the platform.

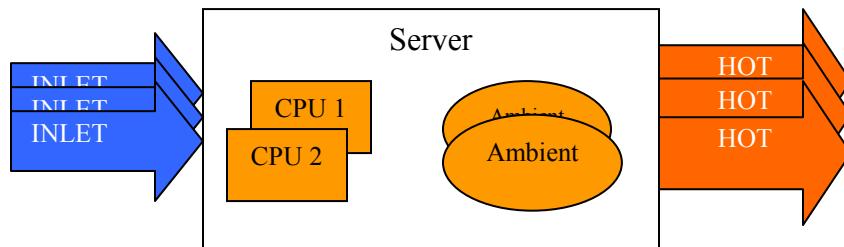


Figure 3-1 Illustration of Platform Temperature Monitoring

3.2. Optional Requirements

3.2.1. Power Management

The platform shall provide means to monitor and control server power usage. Refer to Section 6.6, Power Management for additional information and requirements.

The following list of requirements shall be met to conform to DCMI power management:

1. PSU shall provide power monitoring sensors for input power or input current and voltage.
2. Power Monitoring sensors shall be updated at an average rate of at least once per second.
3. Power limiting shall perform corrective action if the power limiting control fails to lower the power consumption as requested in the form of power cycling options.
4. Power limiting shall provide configuration option for setting the maximum time expected for power limiting , in multiples of power monitor sampling time.
5. Platform shall provide the power management controller discovery information, if the power management controller is a satellite controller.

4. Security Requirements

This section defines the common support requirements for data integrity, user authentication, and confidentiality algorithms and configuration options for remote management access with DCMI. Individual Data Center installations make their choice of which options to use based on their own security requirements for the site.

The requirement has three primitives

1. Authentication
2. Encryption (confidentiality)
3. Privilege Levels

In general, the combination of authentication and encryption are classified into three modes of operation

1. *Simple Security* - no need for securing the environment, like lab or fully secured facility
2. *Authentication Only* - Used on Secure environments which looks for user audits
3. *Authentication and Encryption* - Used in general unsecured situations.

Table 4, Mandatory Cipher Suite Support

ID	Characteristics	Cipher Suite	Authentication Algorithm	Integrity Algorithm(s)	Confidentiality Algorithm(s)
0	"straight password"	00h, 00h, 00h	RAKP-none	None	None
1	S	01h, 00h, 00h	RAKP-HMAC-SHA1	None	None
2	S, A	01h, 01h, 00h		HMAC-SHA1-96	None
3	S, A, E	01h, 01h, 01h			AES-CBC-128
6	S	02h, 00h, 00h	RAKP-HMAC-MD5	None	None
7	S, A	02h, 02h, 00h		HMAC-MD5-128	None
8	S, A, E	02h, 02h, 01h			AES-CBC-128
11	S, A	02h, 03h, 00h		MD5-128	None
12	S, A, E	02h, 03h, 01h			AES-CBC-128

Key:

S = authenticated session setup (correct role, username and password/key required to establish session)

A = authenticated payload data supported.

E = authentication and encrypted payload data supported

PLEASE NOTE: Addition of SHA2 algorithms are under consideration by IPMI consortium to be added to IPMI Specification. Future errata and revisions of DCMI specification will inherit the SHA2 mechanism when it is available in the IPMI Specification.

4.1. Privilege Levels

Within the context of this document, Privilege levels is defined as the attribute which defines classes of users that have common privileges for accessing functions via DCMI. There are three IPMI-defined privilege levels used for DCMI: User, Operator, and Admin. Unless otherwise specified, the privilege level required to execute a given IPMI command is as specified in Appendix G of [IPMI 2.0]. The privilege level requirements for DCMI -specific commands are listed with the command definitions later in this document.

Table 4-1, Privilege Levels

User	Only 'benign' commands are allowed. These are primarily commands that read data structures and retrieve status. Commands that can be used to alter BMC configuration, write data to the BMC or other management controllers, or perform system actions such as resets, power on/off, and watchdog activation are disallowed.
Operator	All BMC commands are allowed, except for configuration commands that can change the behavior of the out-of-band interfaces. For example, Operator privilege does not allow the capability to disable individual channels, or change user access privileges.
Administrator	All BMC commands are allowed, including configuration commands. An Administrator can even execute configuration commands that would disable the channel that the Administrator is communicating over.

5. Manageability Access Requirements

DCMI requirements for manageability access

1. The manageability access chosen shall be reliable refer to [DCMI-RR].
2. The manageability access chosen works in compliance with IPMI Specifications.

5.1. Types of Manageability access

The manageability access broadly classified based on proximity to management controller

- a. In-band, Local OS based app/agent assisted data gathering using management controller
- b. Out-of-band, Remote agent assisted data gathering using management controller.

5.2. General Manageability Access Requirements

1. Physical Interface
2. Protocol
3. Single/Multi Session support
4. Security Attributes

The following table defines the different manageability access available for Data Centers.

Table 5-1, Manageability Access

Manageability Access	Interface	Protocol	Single/Multi Session	Security	M/O ¹
In-band	KCS	SMS	Single No Authentication	Host OS	M
Out-of-band	LAN	RMCP+	Multi	Authentication Encryption Privilege Levels	M
Out-of-band	Serial	TMODE	Single	Authentication Privilege Levels	O
Out-of-band	LAN	SOL over RMCP+	Single	Authentication Encryption Privilege Levels	M

¹Mandatory /Optional feature

5.3. Physical Interface Requirements

5.3.1. Mandatory Requirements

5.3.1.1. KCS (Keyboard Control Style) Interface Requirements

The KCS interface is one of the supported BMC to SMS interfaces. The KCS interface is specified solely for SMS messages. All IPMI commands used for DCMI must be supported over the KCS interface.

5.3.1.2. LAN Interface Requirements

LAN should be capable of transporting RMCP+ protocol, as defined by IPMI Specification Section 13 and the following Data Center specific requirements.

1. Gratuitous ARP shall be disabled by default when the platform is shipped or whenever platform management subsystem firmware is upgraded, unless an alternative configuration is requested by the Data Center customer.
2. BMC generated ARP control shall be enabled by default when the platform is shipped or whenever platform management subsystem firmware is upgraded, unless an alternative configuration is requested by the Data Center customer.
3. IP Address source may be static or use DHCP. It is recommended to configure DHCP with infinite lease time. (It is assumed that the Data Centers to provide a reliable IP address source for LAN interface).
4. IPMI Over LAN shall be present in standby power rail.
5. IPMI Channel Access mode shall be set to “Always Available”.
6. BMC shall be resilient to ARP Storm or anticipated network surges
7. BMC shall not be the cause of any ARP poisoning or floating unauthorized IP address in the form of broadcast or unicast IP packets.
8. Platform shall provide at least one LAN channel as the primary LAN channel, with the primary LAN channel used for Serial Over LAN (SOL) communication.
9. Platform may provide additional LAN channel and designate as secondary LAN channel.
10. Platform shall support VLAN capability on primary LAN channel and may support VLAN capability on secondary LAN Channel.

Refer to [DCMI-RR] for reliability expectations.

5.3.2. Optional Requirements

5.3.2.1. Serial Interface Requirements

Serial interface is optional. If implemented, the interface shall be capable of supporting Direct connected Terminal Mode as described in [IPMI] and the following Data Center specific requirements:

1. Shall support Port Sharing between System and BMC, to switch between TMODE and BIOS/OS.
2. Shall be capable of supporting baud rates from 9.6Kbps to 115.2 Kbps

5.4. Protocol Requirements

5.4.1. Mandatory Requirements

5.4.1.1. SMS Protocol for In-band Access

As described in [IPMI] Specification Section 10.

5.4.1.2. RMCP+ Protocol for IPMI over LAN Access

As described in [IPMI] Specification Section 13.

5.4.1.3. Serial Over LAN Protocol for LAN Access

As described in [IPMI]. The SOL uses RMCP+ as the transport to communicate with Manageability controller.

Specific Data Center requirements

1. Shall support a baud rate of 9.6115.2 Kbps.
2. Should support baud rate of 9.6Kbps to 115.2 Kbps
3. Should be reliable with minimal distortion of data.
4. Shall support hardware flow of the serial controller per [IPMI].

5.4.1.4. Session and User Requirements

Sessions and User management should comply with [IPMI] in addition to the following requirements:

1. Session/User Primitives shall be provided by OEM/Platform.
 - a. Total number of configurable IPMI users.
 - b. Total number of supported and active IPMI sessions.

5.4.2. Optional Requirements

5.4.2.1. Terminal MODE (TMODE) Protocol

If implemented, the TMODE protocol shall be implemented as described in [IPMI] with the following additional requirements.

1. Shall support POWER ON, POWER OFF
2. Shall support BOOT OPTIONS
3. Should support HEX command interface.

5.5. Server Manageability Discovery Requirements

5.5.1. Recommended Requirements

The DCMI servers may be made as required by IPDC's to provide discovery mechanisms for both in-band and out-of-band transports.

5.5.1.1. In-band Discovery Requirements

Systems using in-band discovery mechanisms, such as KCS, should be able to query the management controller for DCMI discovery data

- a. DCMI Version Compliance
- b. Asset Tag
- c. Mac Address associated with Primary and Secondary LAN Channels.

5.5.1.2. Out-of-band Discovery Requirements

Apart from supporting the in-band discovery messages through out-of-band transports.

DHCP enabled management controllers

The management controllers shall publish itself as a DCMI controller when using DHCP DISCOVER mechanisms by setting option 12 Host Name of DHCP Discover packet to have the host name indicate "DCMI". The management controller shall provide discovery mechanism using DCMI Get Capabilities Info command to identify the availability of this requirement in the platform.

Non-DHCP enabled management controllers using Static IP address assignment

Gratuitous ARP can be used for discovery process by matching MAC address.

5.6. Remote Configuration and Provisioning Requirements

5.6.1. Optional Requirements

Due to the number of servers to configure for manageability access in the Data Center, the manageability controller may provide an ability for remote provisioning of the baseboard management controller, which includes manageability controller firmware updates and user configuration.

The requirement is a capability OEM can provide to IPDC's and the DCMI specification does not in any way standardizes the implementation model.

A suggested model using the IPMI 2.0.

1. The manageability controller may provide an ability for a secure RMCP+ connection for out-of-band configuration.
2. The manageability controller may provide an ability to enable/disable out-of-band manageability controller configuration.
3. The manageability controller may provide a pre-configuration user name/password/key.
4. The manageability controller may provide a pre-configuration Cipher Suite using MAC address to derive the key.
5. The manageability controller may provide an ability to disable the pre-configuration user name/password.

6. Platform Commands Requirements

The platform functional commands shall be provided by all Data Center platforms conforming to Data Center IPMI specification.

Table 6-1, Platform Command Definition

	NetFn	CMD	M/O ¹	Min Privilege Level
Discovery Command				
Get DCMI Capability Info	DCGRP (2Ch)	01h	M	User
Chassis Commands				
Get Chassis Status	Chassis (00h)	01h	M	User
Chassis Control	Chassis (00h)	02h	M	Admin
Chassis Identify	Chassis (00h)	04h	M	Operator
Get ACPI Power State	App (06h)	07h	M	User
Logging Commands				
Get SEL Info	Storage (0Ah)	40h	M	Operator
Reserve SEL	Storage (0Ah)	42h	M	Operator
Get SEL Entry	Storage (0Ah)	43h	M	Operator
Clear SEL	Storage (0Ah)	47h	M	Operator
IPMI Device “Global” Commands				
Get Asset Tag	DCGRP (2Ch)	06h	M	User
Get Device ID	App (06h)	01h	M	User
Get System GUID	App (06h)	37h	M	User
Sensor & Storage Commands				
Get DCMI Sensor Info	DCGRP (2Ch)	07h	M	Operator
Get SDR	Storage (0Ah)	23h	M	Operator
Get Sensor Reading	S/E (04h)	2Dh	M	Operator
Power Management				
Get Power Reading	DCGRP (2Ch)	02h	O	Admin
Get Power Limit	DCGRP (2Ch)	03h	O	Admin
Set Power Limit	DCGRP (2Ch)	04h	O	Admin
Activate/Deactivate Power Limit	DCGRP (2Ch)	05h	O	Admin

App = Application Network Function Code

S/E = Sensor/Event Network Function Code

DCGRP = DCMI Group Extension Network Function Code

¹ Mandatory or Optional Features

6.1. Get DCMI Capabilities Info Command

The function is responsible for providing the available capabilities of the platform specific to Data Center. The command is session-less and can be called similar to the Get Authentication Capability command. This command is a bare-metal provisioning command, and the availability of features does not imply the features are configured.

Table 6-2, DCMI Capabilities Command Format

	Byte	data field
Request Data	1	Group Extension Identification = DCh
	2	Parameter Selector
Response Data	1	Completion Code. Refer to Section A.1 - DCMI Completion Codes.
	2	Group Extension Identification = DCh
	3:4	DCMI Specification Conformance Byte 1 - Major Version Byte 2 - Minor Version
	5	Parameter Revision = 01h
	6: N	Parameter data, per Table 6-3, DCMI Capabilities Parameters

Table 6-3, DCMI Capabilities Parameters

Parameter	#	Parameter Data (non-volatile unless otherwise noted)
Supported DCMI Capabilities	1	<p>This field returns the supported capabilities available in the server in conformance to DCMI specification for both Platform and Manageability access.</p> <p>All reserved bits shall be set to 0b</p> <p><u>byte 1</u> Mandatory Platform capabilities</p> <p>All bits: 0b = Not Compliant with DCMI Specification 1b = Compliant with DCMI Specification</p> <p>[7-3] Reserved</p> <p>[3] Temperature Monitor</p> <p>[2] Chassis Power</p> <p>[1] SEL logging</p> <p>[0] Identification Support</p> <p><u>byte 2</u> Optional Platform capabilities</p> <p>All bits: 0b = Not Compliant with DCMI Specification 1b = Compliant with DCMI Specification</p> <p>[7-1] Reserved</p> <p>[0] Power Management</p> <p><u>byte 3</u> Manageability Access Capabilities</p> <p>All bits: 0b = Not present 1b = Available</p> <p>[7-6] Reserved</p> <p>[5] VLAN Capable</p> <p>[4] SOL Supported</p> <p>[3] Out-Of-Band Primary LAN Channel Available</p> <p>[2] Out-Of-Band Secondary LAN Channel Available. (Optional)</p> <p>[1] Out-Of-B Serial TMODE Available (Optional)</p> <p>[0] In-band KCS Channel Available</p>
Mandatory Platform Attributes	2	<p>This field returns the platform attributes required for the platform capabilities.</p> <p>All reserved bits shall be set to 0b</p> <p><u>byte 1:2</u> SEL Attributes (Mandatory)</p> <p>[15] SEL automatic rollover enabled (SEL Overwrite) 0b = Not present 1b = Available</p> <p>[14-12] Reserved (0b)</p> <p>[11-0] Number of SEL entries (Maximum 4096)</p> <p><u>byte 3</u> Identification Attributes (Mandatory)</p> <p>All bits: 0b = Not present 1b = Available</p> <p>[7-3] Reserved</p> <p>[2] Asset Tag Support (Recommended)</p> <p>[1] DHCP Host Name Support (Recommended)</p> <p>[0] GUID Support (Mandatory)</p> <p><u>byte 4</u> Temperature Monitoring</p> <p>All bits: 0b = Not present 1b = At least 1 present</p> <p>[7-4] Reserved</p> <p>[2] Baseboard temperature</p> <p>[1] Processors temperature</p> <p>[0] Inlet temperature</p> <p>[Note: The DCMI Get Sensor Command should be used for discovering the number of the individual temperature sensors]</p>

Optional Platform Attributes	3	<p>This field returns the attributes required for the recommended platform capabilities</p> <p><u>byte 1</u> Power Management Device Slave Address [7:1] - 7-bit I²C[†] Slave Address of device on IPMB. [0] - reserved. Write as 0b [20h = BMC , XXh = Satellite/External controller]</p> <p><u>byte 2</u> Power Management Controller Channel Number [7:4] - Channel Number for channel that management controller is located on. Use 0h for the primary BMC. [3:0] - Device Revision</p>
Manageability Access Attributes	4	<p>This field returns the attributes of the manageability access.</p> <p><u>byte 1</u> Mandatory Primary LAN OOB Support (RMCP+ Support Only) [7-0] Channel Number (0xFFh == Not supported)</p> <p><u>byte 2</u> Optional Secondary LAN OOB Support (RMCP+ Support Only) [7-0] Channel Number (0xFFh == Not supported)</p> <p><u>byte 3</u> Optional Serial Out-Of-Band TMODE Capability [7-0] Channel Number (0xFFh == Not Supported)</p>

6.2. Chassis Commands

Chassis commands perform the following functions

1. Power Status
2. Power On/off/hard reset
3. Identify

6.2.1. Get Chassis Status Command

The following command returns information regarding the high-level status of the system chassis and main power subsystem.

Refer to [IPMI 2.0] Section 29.2 for command format.

6.2.2. Chassis Control Command

The following command provides a mechanism for providing power up, power down, and reset control.

Refer to [IPMI 2.0] Section 29.3 for command format.

6.2.3. Chassis Identify Command

This command causes the chassis to physically identify itself by a mechanism chosen by the system implementation; such as turning on blinking user-visible lights or emitting beeps via a speaker, LCD panel, etc. Unless the optional “Force Identify On” capability is supported and used, the *Chassis Identify* command automatically times out and de-asserts the indication after a configurable time-out. Software shall periodically resend the command to keep the identify condition asserted. This will restart the timeout.

Refer to [IPMI 2.0] Section 28.5 for command format.

6.2.4. Get ACPI Power State Command

The command can also be used to retrieve the present power state information that has been *set into the controller*. This is an independent setting from the system power state that may not necessarily match the actual power state of the system. Unspecified bits and codes are reserved and shall be returned as 0.

Refer to [IPMI 2.0] Section 20.7 for command format.

6.3. DCMI Logging

The System Event Log is a non-volatile repository for system events and certain system configuration information. The device that fields the commands to access the SEL is referred to as the *System Event Log Device* or *SEL Device*.

System Event Logging (SEL) provides the necessary logging for DCMI. SEL can be uploaded, cleared by the in-band and out-of-band agents using the defined IPMI commands.

OEM's can offer automatic rollover or overwrite capability to enhance the robustness of the SEL logging. The capabilities shall be advertised as part of the Capabilities command. It is recommended that overwrite mechanism should purge out entire SEL before adding new entries.

To decode the SEL entry

1. Sensor Type Codes (Refer to IPMI 2.0 Specification Section 42.2)
2. Sensor Number derived from reading SDRs.

6.3.1. Get SEL Info Command

This command returns the number of entries in the SEL, SEL command version, and the timestamp for the most recent entry and delete/clear. The timestamp format is provided in IPMI Specification. The *Most Recent Addition* timestamp field returns the timestamp for the last add or log operation, while the *Most Recent Erase* field returns the timestamp for the last delete or clear operation. This command can also be used to determine if the SEL log is full by checking the operation support MSB. This will definitively determine if the application should save, then clear the SEL log.

The Discovery & Capabilities command provides the maximum supported SEL entries.

Refer to [IPMI 2.0] Section 31.2 for command format.

6.3.2. Reserve SEL Command

This command is used to set the present ‘owner’ of the SEL, as identified by the Software ID or by the Requester’s Slave Address from the command. The reservation process provides a limited amount of protection on repository access from the IPMB when records are being deleted or incrementally read.

Refer to [IPMI 2.0] Section 31.4 for command format.

6.3.3. Get SEL Entry Command

This command is used to retrieve entries from the SEL. The record data field in the response returns the 16 bytes of data from the SEL Event Record.

Refer to [IPMI 2.0] Section 31.5 for command format.

6.3.4. Clear SEL Command

The command ‘erases’ all contents of the System Event Log. Since this process may take several seconds, based on the type of storage device, the command also provides a means for obtaining the status of the erasure.

Refer to [IPMI 2.0] Section 31.9 for command format.

6.4. Identification Support

6.4.1. Asset Tag

The platform shall provide an ability for the DCMI customers to add an asset tag unique to each server by OEM and query it later. The asset tag can be populated by the OEM to the FRU as part of Product Info. The manageability controller records the asset tag and can be retrieved by using Get Asset Tag command.

Table 6-4, FRU Product Area

Field length	Field
1	Product Area Format Version 7:4 - reserved, write as 0000b 3:0 - format version number = 1h for IPMI FRU specification
1	Product Area Length (in multiples of 8 bytes)
1	Language Code (See section 15)
1	Manufacturer Name type/length byte
N	Manufacturer Name bytes
1	Product Name type/length byte
M	Product Name bytes
1	Product Part/Model Number type/length byte
O	Product Part/Model Number bytes
1	Product Version type/length byte
R	Product Version bytes
1	Product Serial Number type/length byte*
P	Product Serial Number bytes*
1	Asset Tag type/length byte (Maximum 64 bytes)
Q	Asset Tag
1	FRU File ID type/length byte
R	FRU File ID bytes. The FRU File version field is a pre-defined field provided as a manufacturing aid for verifying the file that was used during manufacture or field update to load the FRU information. The content is manufacturer-specific. This field is also provided in the Board Info area. Either or both fields may be 'null'
xx	Custom product info area fields, if any (must be preceded with type/length byte)
1	C1h (type/length byte encoded to indicate no more info fields)
Y	00h - any remaining unused space
1	Product Info Area Checksum (zero checksum)

* These fields are always encoded as if the Language Code were English. I.e. if the type/length code bits 7:6=11b the serial number will always be interpreted as ASCII+Latin 1, not UNICODE.

6.4.1.1. Get Asset Tag Command

This command is supported only if Discovery & Capabilities command indicate Asset tag support.

Table 6-5, Get Asset Tag Command

byte	data field
Request Data	1 Group Extension Identification = DCh
	2 Offset to read
	3 Number of bytes to read (16 bytes maximum)
Response Data	1 Completion Code. Refer to Section A.1 - DCMI Completion Codes.
	2 Group Extension Identification = DCh
	3 Total Asset Tag Length specified in FRU Data, as specified in Table 6-4, FRU Product Area
	4 - N Data

6.4.2. Get Device ID Command

This command is used to retrieve the Intelligent Device's Firmware/Software Revision, and Sensor and Event Interface Command specification revision information. The command also returns information regarding the additional 'logical device' functionality (beyond 'Application' and 'IPM' device functionality) that is provided within the intelligent device, if any.

Refer to [IPMI 2.0] Section 20.1 for command format.

6.4.3. Get System GUID Command

This command provides a Globally Unique ID for the managed system to support the remote discovery process and other operations. The GUID is typically permanently assigned to a system.

Refer to [IPMI 2.0] Section 22.14 for command format.

6.5. Sensor & Storage Commands

The sensor management covers the specific sensors for Data Centers and sensor command sets.

6.5.1. Data Center Sensors

1. Inlet Temperature (0 or more Sensors)
2. CPU Temperature (based on # of processors or cores)
3. Baseboard temperature (0 or more Sensors)

The discovery commands for the DCMI Sensors is provided in Get DCMI Sensor section.

6.5.2. Get DCMI Sensor Info Command

Table 6-6, DCMI Entity ID Extension

Entity ID description	Entity ID	Entity Instance	Sensor Type
Inlet Temperature	0x40	0x01...n	Temp (01h)
CPU Temperature (based on # of processors or cores)	0x41	0x01...n	Temp (01h)
Baseboard temperature	0x42	0x01...n	Temp (01h)

Table 6-7, Get DCMI Sensor Info Command

	Byte	data field
Request Data	1	Group Extension Identification = DCh
	2	Sensor Type Refer to <i>Table 6-6, DCMI Entity ID Extension</i>
	3	Entity ID Refer to <i>Table 6-6, DCMI Entity ID Extension</i>
	4	Entity Instance 00h Retrieve information about all instances associated with Entity ID 01h - FFh – Retrieve only the information about particular instance.
Response Data	5	Entity Instance Start, Used with Entity Instance 00h for # of instance exceeding one IPMI Response.
	1	Completion Code. Refer to Section A.1 - DCMI Completion Codes.
	2	Group Extension Identification = DCh
	3	Total number of available instances for the Entity ID
	4	Number of Record IDs in this response (Max 8 per response) 01h for Entity Instance not equal to 00h
	5:6 + N	SDR Record ID corresponding to the Entity IDs 1 st byte: Record ID LS Byte, used for retrieving SDR records 2 nd byte: Record ID MS Byte, used for retrieving SDR records

6.5.3. DCMI specific SDR Information

Most of the DCMI sensors fall under IPMI Sensor Type 01h/02h, [IPMI 2.0] provides the Sensor Data Record Format for each of the Sensor Types retrievable by Get SDR IPMI Command (Refer

to [IPMI 2.0] Section 33.12 for command format). The Sensor Data Record information is essential to convert the raw Sensor reading into units that the platform vendor or system integrator selected as being appropriate for the device. The table highlights only the fields specific to conversions factors, please refer to IPMI 2.0 Specification for more specific sensor details.

6.5.4. Get Sensor Reading Command

This command returns the present reading for sensor. The sensor device may return a stored version of a periodically updated reading, or the sensor device may scan to obtain the reading after receiving the request.

Refer to [IPMI 2.0] Section 35.14 for command format.

6.5.5. Usage Model

An reference usage model for querying the Inlet temperature is provided below using the above commands.

1. Send Get DCMI Sensor Info Command for Inlet Temp, Entity ID = 0x40, Entity Instance = 0x01
2. Receives the Record ID for the Inlet Temp.
3. Request SDR Info based on Record ID for obtaining the Sensor # and for data calculation.
4. Request Get Sensor Reading IPMI Command with acquired Sensor #.

6.6. Power Management

Total input platform power monitoring and control is an integral part of DCMI expectations, the specification standardizes the command sets for discovery, monitoring and control of the server power. This section is expected to evolve with expanded power management capabilities. Power management feature can be provided by BMC or by an external or satellite controller to BMC.

Management applications should discover the residency of power management feature as described in the following commands

Following commands are not supported if Get DCMI Capabilities Info command indicate no Power management support.

6.6.1. Get Power Reading

Table 6-8, Get Power Reading Command
byte data field

Request Data	1	Group Extension Identification = DCh
	2	Mode 01h – Power Statistics
	3:4	Reserved for future, use 0000h
Response Data	1	Completion Code. Refer to Section A.1 - DCMI Completion Codes.
	2	Group Extension Identification = DCh
	3:4	Current Power in watts
	5:6	Minimum Power over sampling duration in watts
	7:8	Maximum Power over sampling duration in watts
	9:10	Average Power over sampling duration in watts
	11:14	IPMI Specification based Time Stamp
	15:18	Statistics reporting time period Timeframe in milliseconds, over which the controller collects statistics
	19	Power Reading State [0:5] Reserved [6] 1b – Power Measurement active 0b – No Power Measurement is available. [7] Reserved

6.6.2. Get Power Limit

Table 6-9, Get Power Limit Command

byte	data field
Request Data	
1	Group Extension Identification = DCh
2:3	Reserved for future use, use 0000h
Response Data	
1	Completion Code. Refer to Section A.1 - DCMI Completion Codes. 00h = Power Limit Active 80h = No Set Power Limit
2	Group Extension Identification = DCh
3:4	Reserved for future use
5	Exception Actions, taken if the Power Limit exceeded and cannot be controlled within the Correction time limit 01h Hard Power Off system 02h – 10h OEM defined actions
6:7	Power Limit Requested in Watts
8:11	Correction time limit in milliseconds Maximum time taken to limit the power, otherwise exception action will be taken as configured
12:13	Reserved for future use
14:15	Management application Statistics Sampling period in seconds

6.6.3. Set Power Limit

The power limit command sets the power limit parameters on the system. It is recommended to do a Get Power Limit or check the Get Power Reading command before attempting to set power limit.

It should be noted that in the current context, this command shall be used to set upper limit of system power usage and not used as a command interface for dynamic or frequently changing power limit. The power limit set should be persistent across AC and DC cycles.

Table 6-10, Set Power Limit Command

byte	data field
Request Data	
1	Group Extension Identification = DCh
2:4	Reserved for future use
5	Exception Actions, taken if the Power Limit exceeded and cannot be controlled within the Correction time limit 01h Hard Power Off system 02h – 10h OEM defined actions
6:7	Power Limit Requested in Watts
8:11	Correction time limit in milliseconds Maximum time taken to limit the power, otherwise exception action will be taken as configured
12:13	Reserved for future use
14:15	Management application Statistics Sampling period in seconds
Response Data	
1	Completion Code. Refer to Section A.1 - DCMI Completion Codes. =00h – Success =84h – Power Limit out of range =85h – Correction Time out of range =89h – Statistics Reporting Period out of range
2	Group Extension Identification = DCh

6.6.4. Activate/Deactivate Power Limit

The command is used to activate or deactivate the power limit set. This command should succeed a successful Set Power limit command.

Table 6-11, Activate/Deactivate Power Limit Command
byte data field

Request Data	1	Group Extension Identification = DCh
	2	Power Limit Activation 00h – Deactivate Power Limit 01h – Activate Power Limit
	3:4	Reserved
Response Data	1	Completion Code. Refer to Section A.1 - DCMI Completion Codes.
	2	Group Extension Identification = DCh

6.6.5. Sample power management usage scenario

Power monitoring & Control

1. Get Power Reading
2. Get Power Limit
3. If Power Limit is Active
 - a. Deactivate Power Limit
4. Set Power Limit
5. Activate Power Limit

7. Manageability Access and Security Commands

This chapter includes all relevant IPMI manageability access and security command sets. These commands provide the means to use the command sets to establish the requested session and appropriate security. Unless otherwise specified, all commands are inherited from [IPMI 2.0]. IPMI commands, which require specific DCMI settings are described in this section, for all other listed IPMI commands, please refer to [IPMI 2.0].

Table 7-1, Manageability Access and Security Command List

	NetFn	CMD	P/R/Both ¹	M/O ²
Provision Commands				
Set LAN Configuration Parameters	Transport	01h	P	M
Get LAN Configuration Parameters	Transport	02h	A	M
Set Channel Access	App	40h	P	M
Get Channel Access	App	41h	A	M
Set User Access	App	43h	P	M
Get User Access ³	App	44h	A	M
Set User Name	App	45h	P	M
Get User Name	App	46h	A	M
Set User Password	App	47h	P	M
Set User Payload Access	App	4Ch	P	M
Get User Payload Access	App	4Dh	P	M
Set SOL Configuration Parameters	Transport	21h	P	M
Get SOL Configuration Parameters	Transport	22h	P	M
Set Session Privilege Level	App	3Bh	P	M
Runtime Commands				
Activate Payload	App	48h	R	M
Deactivate Payload	App	49h	R	M
SOL Activating	Transport	20h	R	M
Get Channel Authentication Capabilities	App	38h	R	M
Get Channel Info	App	42h	A	M
Get Channel Cipher Suites	App	54h	A	M
Get Session Challenge	App	39h	R	M
Activate Session	App	3Ah	R	M
Close Session	App	3Ch	R	M
Get Session Info	App	3Dh	R	M
Serial Support Extension				
Set Serial Configuration	Transport	10h	P	O
Get Serial Configuration	Transport	11h	A	O
Set Serial Mux	Transport	12h	A	O
Set Serial Routing Mux	Transport	1Ch	A	O

¹ Provisioning (P), Runtime (R), Both (A)

² Mandatory Features (M), Optional Features (O)

³ Used to find the Number of Users

7.1. Channel Provisioning Commands

The following commands will be useful to provision the manageability controller with manageability access and security requirements. The following sections describe some of these commands in detail with recommended DCMI values for each of the parameters.

7.1.1. IPMI LAN Interface Configuration

Table 7-2, Set LAN Configuration Parameters Command

	byte	data field
Request Data	1	[7:4] - reserved [3:0] - Channel number.
	2	Parameter selector
	3:N	Configuration parameter data, per <i>Configuration Parameters</i>
Response Data	1	Completion Code. Refer to Section A.1 - DCMI Completion Codes. 80h = parameter not supported. 81h = attempt to set the 'set in progress' value (in parameter #0) when not in the 'set complete' state. (This completion code provides a way to recognize that another party has already 'claimed' the parameters) 82h = attempt to write read-only parameter

Table 7-3, Get LAN Configuration Parameters Command

	byte	data field
Request Data	1	[7] - 0b = get parameter 1b = get parameter revision only. [6:4] - reserved [3:0] - Channel number.
	2	Parameter selector
	3	Set Selector. Selects a given set of parameters under a given Parameter selector value. 00h if parameter doesn't use a Set Selector.
	4	Block Selector (00h if parameter does not require a block number)
Response Data	1	Completion Code. Refer to Section A.1 - DCMI Completion Codes. Generic codes, plus following command-specific completion code(s): 80h = parameter not supported.
	2	[7:0] - Parameter revision. Format: MSN = present revision. LSN = oldest revision parameter is backward compatible with. 11h for parameters in this specification.
	The following data bytes are not returned when the 'get parameter revision only' bit is 1b.	
	3:N	Configuration parameter data, per <i>Table 7-4, LAN Configuration Parameters</i> If the rollback feature is implemented, the BMC makes a copy of the existing parameters when the 'set in progress' state becomes asserted (See the Set In Progress parameter #0). While the 'set in progress' state is active, the BMC will return data from this copy of the parameters, plus any uncommitted changes that were made to the data. Otherwise, the BMC returns parameter data from non-volatile storage.

Table 7-4, LAN Configuration Parameters¹

Parameter	#	DCMI Value	Parameter Data (non-volatile unless otherwise noted)
Authentication Type Support (Read Only)	1	04h	<p>This 'read only' field returns which possible Authentication Types (algorithms) can be enabled for the given channel. The following Authentication Type Enables parameter selects which Authentication Types are available when activating a session for a particular maximum privilege level.</p> <p>[7:6] - reserved [5:0] - Authentication type(s) enabled for this channel (bitfield): All bits: 1b = supported 0b = authentication type not available for use.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> [5] - OEM proprietary (per OEM identified by the IANA OEM ID in the RMCP Ping Response) [4] - straight password / key [3] - reserved [2] - MD5 [1] - MD2 [0] - none
Authentication Type Enables	2	B1=04h B2=04h B3=04h B4=04h B5=04h	<p>This field is used to configure which Authentication Types are available for use when a remote console activates an IPMI messaging connection to the BMC for a given requested maximum privilege level. Once the session has been activated, the accepted authentication type will be the only one used for <i>authenticated</i> packets, regardless of the present operating privilege level, or the privilege level associated with the command.</p> <p>Depending on configuration of per-message and user-level authentication disables, unauthenticated packets (authentication type = none) may also be accepted. The BMC makes no attempt to check or ensure that stricter authentication types are associated with higher requested maximum privilege levels. E.g. it is possible to configure the BMC so activating a session with a maximum privilege level of 'User' requires MD5 while 'Admin' requires 'none'.</p> <p>Note: An implementation that has fixed privilege and authentication type assignments, in which case this parameter can be implemented as Read Only. It is recommended that an implementation that implements a subset of the possible authentication types returns a CCh error completion code if an attempt is made to select an unsupported authentication type.</p> <p><u>byte 1:</u> Authentication Types returned for maximum requested privilege = Callback level.</p> <p>[7:6] - reserved [5:0] - Authentication type(s) enabled for this channel (bitfield): All bits: 1b = authentication type enabled for use at given privilege level 0b = authentication type not available for use at given privilege level.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> [5] - OEM proprietary (per OEM identified by the IANA OEM ID in the RMCP Ping Response) [4] - straight password / key [3] - reserved [2] - MD5 [1] - MD2 [0] - none <p><u>byte 2:</u> Authentication Type(s) for maximum privilege = User level (format follows byte 1)</p> <p><u>byte 3:</u> Authentication Type (s) for maximum privilege = Operator level (format follows byte 1)</p> <p><u>byte 4:</u> Authentication Type (s) for maximum privilege = Administrator level (format follows byte 1)</p> <p><u>byte 5:</u> Authentication Type (s) for maximum privilege = OEM level (format follows byte 1)</p>
IP Address	3	Should not set	<p><u>data 1:4</u> - IP Address MS-byte first.</p>

Parameter	#	DCMI Value	Parameter Data (non-volatile unless otherwise noted)
IP Address Source	4	02h	<p><u>data 1</u></p> <p>[7:4] - reserved</p> <p>[3:0] - address source</p> <p>0h = unspecified 1h = static address (manually configured) 2h = address obtained by BMC running DHCP 3h = address loaded by BIOS or system software 4h = address obtained by BMC running other address assignment protocol</p>
MAC Address	5	Should not set	<u>data 1:6</u> - MAC Address for messages transmitted from BMC. MS-byte first.
Subnet Mask	6	User Specified	<u>data 1:4</u> - Subnet Mask. MS-byte first.
BMC-generated ARP control (optional ^[2])	10	02h	<p><u>data 1</u> - BMC-generated ARP control. Note: the individual capabilities for BMC-generated ARP responses and BMC-generated Gratuitous ARPs are individually optional. The BMC should return an error completion code if an attempt is made to enable an unsupported capability.</p> <p>[7:2] - reserved</p> <p>[1] - 1b = enable BMC-generated ARP responses 0b = disable BMC-generated ARP responses</p> <p>[0] - 1b = enable BMC-generated Gratuitous ARPs 0b = disable BMC-generated Gratuitous ARPs</p>
802.1q VLAN ID (12-bit)	20	User Specified	<p><u>data 1</u></p> <p>[7:0] - Least significant 8-bits of the VLAN ID. 00h if VLAN ID not used.</p> <p><u>data 2</u></p> <p>[7] - VLAN ID enable.</p> <p>0b = disabled, 1b = enabled. If enabled, the BMC will only accept packets for this channel if they have 802.1q fields and their VLAN ID matches the VLAN ID value given in this parameter.</p> <p>[6:4] - reserved</p> <p>[3:0] - most significant four bits of the VLAN ID</p>
802.1q VLAN Priority	21	User Specified	<p><u>data 1</u></p> <p>[7:5] - reserved</p> <p>[2:0] - Value for Priority field of 802.1q fields. Ignored when VLAN ID enable is 0b (disabled) - See <i>802.1q VLAN ID</i> parameter, above. Setting is network dependent. By default, this should be set to 000b.</p>

¹ Only relevant DCMI fields are provided.

7.1.2. IPMI Channel Access Mode

This command should be called for volatile and non-volatile settings separately.

Table 7-5, Set Channel Access Command

Request Data	byte	DCMI Values	data field
	1	01-03h	[7:4] - reserved [3:0] - Channel number (Based on Channel Assignment)
	2	42h/82h	[7:6] - 00b = don't set or change Channel Access 01b = set non-volatile Channel Access according to bits [5:0] 10b = set volatile (active) setting of Channel Access according to bits [5:0] 11b = reserved [5] - PEF Alerting Enable/Disable 0b = enable PEF Alerting 1b = disable PEF Alerting on this channel (the <i>Alert Immediate</i> command can still be used to generate alerts) [4] - 0b = enable Per-message Authentication 1b = disable Per-message Authentication. [Authentication required to activate any session on this channel, but authentication not used on subsequent packets for the session.] [3] - User Level Authentication Enable/Disable. 0b = enable User Level Authentication. All User Level commands are to be authenticated per the Authentication Type that was negotiated when the session was activated. 1b = disable User Level Authentication. Allow User Level commands to be executed without being authenticated. [2:0] - Access Mode for IPMI messaging 000b = disabled channel disabled for IPMI messaging 001b = pre-boot only channel only available when system is in a powered down state or in BIOS prior to start of boot. 010b = always available channel always available for communication regardless of system mode. BIOS typically dedicates the serial connection to the BMC. 011b = shared same as always available, but BIOS typically leaves the serial port available for software use.
	3	4Xh/8Xh [X= Desired Privilege Level]	Channel Privilege Level Limit. This value sets the maximum privilege level that can be accepted on the specified channel. [7:6] - 00b = don't set or change channel Privilege Level Limit 01b = set non-volatile Privilege Level Limit according to bits [3:0] 10b = set volatile setting of Privilege Level Limit according to bits [3:0] 11b = reserved [5:4] - reserved [3:0] - Channel Privilege Level Limit 0h = reserved 2h = USER level 3h = OPERATOR level 4h = ADMINISTRATOR level 5h = OEM Proprietary level
Response Data	1		Completion Code. Refer to Section A.1 - DCMI Completion Codes, generic, plus following command-specific completion codes: 82h = set not supported on selected channel (e.g. channel is session-less.) 83h = access mode not supported

Table 7-6, Get Channel Access Command

Request Data	byte	data field
Request Data	1	[7:4] - reserved [3:0] - Channel number.
	2	[7:6] - 00b = reserved 01b = get non-volatile Channel Access 10b = get present volatile (active) setting of Channel Access 11b = reserved [5:0] - reserved
Response Data	1	Completion Code. Refer to Section A.1 - DCMI Completion Codes. generic, plus following command-specific completion codes: 82h = Command not supported for selected channel (e.g. channel is session-less.)
	2	[7:6] - reserved [5] - 0b = Alerting enabled 1b = Alerting disabled [4] - 0b = per message authentication enabled 1b = per message authentication disabled [3] - User Level Authentication Enable 0b = User Level Authentication enabled. 1b = User Level Authentication disabled. [2:0] - Access Mode 0h = disabled channel disabled for communication 1h = pre-boot only channel only available when system is in a powered down state or in BIOS prior to start of boot. 2h = always available channel always available for communication regardless of system mode. BIOS typically dedicates the serial connection to the BMC. 3h = shared same as always available, but BIOS typically leaves the serial port available for software use.
Response Data	3	Channel Privilege Level Limit. This value returns the maximum privilege level that can be accepted on the specified channel. [7:4] - reserved [3:0] - Channel Privilege Level Limit 0h = reserved 1h = CALLBACK level 2h = USER level 3h = OPERATOR level 4h = ADMINISTRATOR level 5h = OEM Proprietary level

8. Guidelines for DCMI Manageability Controller

1. Manageability controller shall be resilient and tolerant to abnormal traffic behavior of the LAN interface, such as Denial of Service (DOS) attacks or other anomalies leading to controller hang.
2. Manageability controller can provide watch dog timer model, to restart the BMC when it gets to hang situation.

A.1 DCMI Completion Codes

Table A-1, Completion Codes

Code	Definition
GENERIC COMPLETION CODES 00h, C0h-FFh	
00h	Command Completed Normally.
C0h	Node Busy. Command could not be processed because command processing resources are temporarily unavailable.
C1h	Invalid Command. Used to indicate an unrecognized or unsupported command.
C2h	Command invalid for given LUN.
C3h	Timeout while processing command. Response unavailable.
C4h	Out of space. Command could not be completed because of a lack of storage space required to execute the given command operation.
C5h	Reservation Canceled or Invalid Reservation ID.
C6h	Request data truncated.
C7h	Request data length invalid.
C8h	Request data field length limit exceeded.
C9h	Parameter out of range. One or more parameters in the data field of the Request are out of range. This is different from 'Invalid data field' (CCh) code in that it indicates that the erroneous field(s) has a contiguous range of possible values.
CAh	Cannot return number of requested data bytes.
CBh	Requested Sensor, data, or record not present.
CCh	Invalid data field in Request
CDh	Command illegal for specified sensor or record type.
CEh	Command response could not be provided.
CFh	Cannot execute duplicated request. This completion code is for devices which cannot return the response that was returned for the original instance of the request. Such devices should provide separate commands that allow the completion status of the original request to be determined. An Event Receiver does not use this completion code, but returns the 00h completion code in the response to (valid) duplicated requests.
D0h	Command response could not be provided. SDR Repository in update mode.
D1h	Command response could not be provided. Device in firmware update mode.
D2h	Command response could not be provided. BMC initialization or initialization agent in progress.
D3h	Destination unavailable. Cannot deliver request to selected destination. E.g. this code can be returned if a request message is targeted to SMS, but receive message queue reception is disabled for the particular channel.
D4h	Cannot execute command due to insufficient privilege level or other security-based restriction (e.g. disabled for 'firmware firewall').
D5h	Cannot execute command. Command, or request parameter(s), not supported in present state.
D6h	Cannot execute command. Parameter is illegal because command sub-function has been disabled or is unavailable (e.g. disabled for 'firmware firewall').
FFh	Unspecified error.