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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 specifications.

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 cause 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] *DCMI Specification 1.5, Revision 1.0*

- [DCMI-RR] *DCMI Server Management Reliability and Resilience Specification, Revision 1.0*.

- [DCMI-HI] *DCMI Host Interface Specification, Revision 1.0*

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

- [RFC 2131] *Dynamic Host Configuration Protocol*

- [RFC 2132] *DHCP Options and BOOTP Vendor Extensions*

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 a 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 the following areas:

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

2.4 DCMI Coverage

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

Key features

- Reliable Local and Remote Chassis Power on/off/reset commands.
- IPMI 2.0, Serial Over LAN Console redirection from a remote server.
- Identification of the server, by device ID and GUID.

- Provide accurate System Event Logging.
- Reliable in-band system interface access.
- Reliable out-of-band access via LAN.
- Monitor temperature characteristics of the server from local and remote console.
- Identification of the server by Asset tags.
- Server manageability discovery. Refer to Section 5.5.

2.5 DCMI 1.5

DCMI 1.5 is a point revision of the DCMI 1.1 specification and errata. DCMI 1.5 includes important clarifications and corrections over DCMI 1.1. DCMI 1.5 also adds a Thermal Limit capability, refines options available with RMCP and DHCP discovery, and improves access efficiency through support for reservation-less SEL and SDR access and the *Get Temperature Readings* command.

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 ¹	Mandatory(M)/ Optional(O)
Identification	BMC ID/Version Info	I, O	M
	System GUID	I, O	M
	Asset Tag	I, O	M
	Management Controller ID String	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 ²
	Get Power Limit	I, O	O ²
	Get Power Reading	I, O	O ²
	Activate/Deactivate Power Limit	I, O	O ²
Boot Options	Set System Boot Options	I, O	O ³
	Get System Boot Options	I, O	O ³

¹ 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.

² These commands are mandatory if DCMI power management is supported by the platform.

³ These commands should be supported on host systems that support remote reset and power on/off capabilities, since these commands enable remote coordination of the booting process with BIOS.

3.1 Mandatory Requirements

3.1.1 Identification

The following lists the basic Identification support requirements for DCMI. See Section 6.4, Identification and Discovery Support, for additional information and requirements. The identification provides a broad level of options available to the Data Centers to identify a server.

3.1.1.1 Asset Tag

The server shall support a mechanism to provision and query Asset information for inventory purposes. This information shall be stored in a Non-Volatile Area and is accessible using standard DCMI commands.

3.1.1.2 Device ID

The server shall support the [IPMI] defined Get Device ID command, this information provides the hardware, firmware/software information.

3.1.1.3 System GUID

The server shall support [IPMI] defined Get System GUID command.

3.1.1.4 Management Controller Identifier String

The management controller shall support an identification string, which shall be utilized for purposes of identification during discovery process. The management controller shall permit configuration of the ID string.

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 28 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].

3.1.3 Event Logging

The following lists the basic event logging and log access support requirements for DCMI. See Section 6.3, DCMI Logging, 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 management software is required to periodically monitor the SEL and clear it using the Clear SEL command. Platforms implementing DCMI may also offer the capability to automatically clear the SEL upon reaching SEL full conditions. This capability is referred to as SEL Rollover. The platform shall publish the SEL Rollover as its capabilities. See 6.3, DCMI Logging, for more information.
3. The IPMI SEL must be at least 256 entries.
4. Critical temperature events shall be logged to the IPMI SEL when they occur.
5. Events related to platform power and thermal limits shall be logged if enabled (See Sections 6.6, Power Management and 6.7, Thermal Management, for more information.)

3.1.4 Temperature Monitoring

The temperature monitoring functions defined in this specification provide 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.

The platform shall provide information regarding sampling frequency supported for monitoring the temperature sensors. The sampling frequency is expressed in seconds. The management controller provides visibility to the sampling frequency to inform remote consoles of stale data boundaries. This provides the suggested polling frequency for management applications.

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.

Baseboard 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.

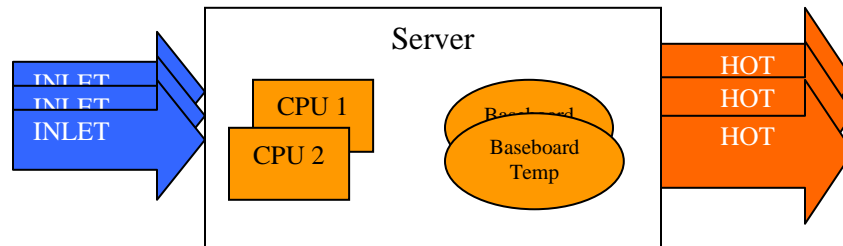


Figure 3-1 Illustration of Platform Temperature Monitoring

3.1.5 Sensor Requirements

This section presents requirements for sensors used in DCMI. (*Please refer to IPMI 2.0 specifications for more information*).

Unless otherwise specified:

1. DCMI Mandatory Sensors shall support event message generation for event logging.
2. Sensors may support per sensor event message generation enable/disable.
3. Sensors may support per offset event message generation enable/disable for each supported event offset using the *Set Sensor Event Enable* command.
4. There shall be a Type 01h, Full Sensor Record for each Analog sensor.
5. There may be a Type 02h, Compact Sensor Record, or Type 03h, Event-Only Sensor Record for each Event-Only sensor.
6. Sensor number values are the choice of the management controller implementation.
7. DCMI Sensors shall be implemented according to the characteristics specified in Table 3-2, DCMI Compliant Sensor Definition.

Table 3-2, DCMI Compliant Sensor Definition

	Name/Description	Code	M/O
Sensor:	Inlet Temperature		
Associated Entity ID	Inlet Temperature	37h,40h ¹	M
Sensor Type Code:	Temperature	01h	M
Event / Reading Type Code:	Threshold	01h	M
Supported Thresholds / Events (Event Offsets)	Upper Non-critical - going high	07h	O
	Upper Critical - going high	09h	M
Sensor:	CPU (Processor) Temperature		
Associated Entity ID	CPU Temperature	03h,41h ²	M
Sensor Type Code:	Temperature	01h	M
Event / Reading Type Code:	Threshold	01h	M
Supported Thresholds / Events (Event Offsets)	Upper Non-critical - going high	07h	O
	Upper Critical - going high	09h	M
Sensor:	Baseboard Temperature		
Associated Entity ID	Baseboard	07h,42h ³	M
Sensor Type Code:	Temperature	01h	M
Event / Reading Type Code:	Threshold	01h	M
Supported Thresholds / Events (Event Offsets)	Upper Non-critical - going high	07h	O
	Upper Critical - going high	09h	M
Sensor:	Power Threshold Event⁴		
Associated Entity ID	Power Unit / Power Domain	13h	M
Sensor Type Code	Power Unit	09h	M
Sensor Reading support	Event-Only	-	-
Event / Reading Type Code	Generic – Limit status	05h	M
Supported Thresholds / Events (Event Offsets)	Limit Exceeded	01h	M
Sensor:	Power Off Event⁴		
Associated Entity ID	Baseboard	07h,42h ³	M
Sensor Type Code	System Event		M
Sensor Reading support	Event-Only	-	-
Event / Reading Type Code	Generic – System state	0Ah	M
Supported Thresholds / Events (Event Offsets)	Transition to Power Off	02h	M
Sensor:	Thermal Limit Event⁴		
Associated Entity ID	Inlet Temperature	37h,40h ¹	M
Sensor Type Code	Temperature	01h	M
Sensor Reading support	Event-Only	-	-
Event / Reading Type Code	Generic – Limit status	05h	M
Supported Thresholds / Events (Event Offsets)	Limit Exceeded	01h	M

¹ Either DCMI 1.0 defined Entity ID 40h or IPMI defined Entity ID 37h is acceptable. Note future revisions of the specification are expected to deprecate the DCMI 1.0 value in order to settle on a single Code value.

² Either DCMI 1.0 defined Entity ID 41h or IPMI defined Entity ID 03h is acceptable. Note future revisions of the specification are expected to deprecate the DCMI 1.0 value in order to settle on a single Code value.

³ Either DCMI 1.0 defined Entity ID 42h or IPMI defined Entity ID 07h is acceptable. Note future revisions of the specification are expected to deprecate the DCMI 1.0 value in order to settle on a single Code value.

⁴ This is an Event Only sensor that is used for logging related events.

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. Platform hardware 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 exception actions such as system power off and event logging (See the “Exception Actions” parameter in the Set Power Limit command for the possible exception actions).
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.

3.2.2 Thermal Management

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

1. The platform shall provide the command interface to set and enable the inlet temperature limit along with exception actions such as power off and event logging (See 6.7, Thermal Management).
2. The platform shall provide persistent storage of the temperature limit information across power cycles.
3. The platform shall allow the thermal limit to be set within the acceptable limits that are reported by the Sensor Data Record for the Inlet temperature sensor (s). Implementations may return an error completion code if values are outside what the SDR reports that the platform accepts.

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.

4.1 Security Access

The requirement has three primitives:

1. Authentication
2. Integrity
3. Confidentiality

These primitives are described in the [IPMI] specification. The manageability controller shall support the Ciphers as listed in Table 4-1, Cipher Suite Support. All other Ciphers suites are optional for DCMI, regardless of whether they're specified as mandatory in [IPMI 2.0].

Table 4-1, Cipher Suite Support

ID	Cipher Suite	Authentication Algorithm ¹	Integrity Algorithm(s) ²	Confidentiality Algorithm(s) ³	M/O
3	01h, 01h, 01h	RAKP-HMAC-SHA1	HMAC-SHA1-96	AES-CBC-128	M
8	02h, 02h, 01h	RAKP-HMAC-MD5	HMAC-MD5-128	AES-CBC-128	O
17	03h, 04h, 01h	RAKP-HMAC-SHA256	HMAC-SHA256-128	AES-CBC-128	R ⁴

¹ Authenticated session setup (correct role, username and password/key required to establish session)

² Authenticated payload data supported.

³ Authentication and encrypted payload data supported

⁴ SHA256 Cipher is recommended unless it is prohibited by export licensing issues

4.2 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 4-2, 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 types of manageability access are broadly classified based on proximity to management controller as:

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

5.2 General Manageability Access Requirements

The primitives of manageability access are:

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	System Interface	KCS or DCMI-HI	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 System Interface Requirements

The DCMI System interfaces are specified solely for System Management Software (SMS) use. All commands specified for System Interface access in DCMI must be supported over the KCS interface or [DCMI-HI].

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 control shall be provided as specified in [IPMI] and Gratuitous ARP generation shall be disabled by default when the platform is shipped or whenever platform management subsystem firmware is upgraded, unless the Data Center customer requests an alternative configuration, for example static IP address Discovery. Platform management subsystems using DHCP IP Address source should not enable Gratuitous ARP.
2. BMC generated ARP responses 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 (When using DHCP, 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 an additional LAN channel and designate it as the secondary LAN channel.
10. Platform shall support VLAN capability on primary LAN channel and may support VLAN capability on secondary LAN Channel.

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 System Interface Protocol for In-band Access

The management controller shall provide either the KCS, as described in [IPMI] Section 9, or the [DCMI-HI] protocol and register interface as the system interface for in-band DCMI messaging.

5.4.1.2 RMCP+ Protocol for IPMI over LAN Access

The management controller shall support RMCP+ for LAN access as described in [IPMI] Specification Section 13. Support for IPMI v1.5 RMCP sessions is optional for DCMI.

5.4.1.3 Serial Over LAN Protocol for LAN Access

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

Specific Data Center requirements are:

1. Shall support a bit rate of 115.2 Kbps.
2. Should support all IPMI-specified bit rate configuration options from 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 supported, the TMODE protocol shall be implemented as described in [IPMI]. The following additional requirements shall be provided:

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

5.5 Server Manageability Discovery Requirements

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

5.5.1 In-band Discovery Requirements

Systems using in-band discovery mechanisms should be able to query the management controller for the following DCMI discovery data via the system interface:

1. DCMI Version Compliance
2. Asset Tag
3. MAC Address associated with Primary and Secondary LAN Channels.
4. Management Controller Identifier String

5.5.2 Out-of-band Discovery Requirements

5.5.2.1 DHCP enabled management controllers

The management controllers shall support publishing a unique non-null Host Name or Fully-Qualified Domain Name (FQDN) using DHCP option 12 (per [RFC 2132]) when sending DHCP Discover packets during DHCP negotiations. The maximum length of the Management Controller Identifier String is 64 bytes, including null terminator.

Unique Host Name string shall be represented as “<IPDC-OEM Prefix><OEM Unique Identifier>”, IPDC-OEM prefix may not be unique but could be used by OEM for identification.

As an example the Unique Host Name string could be “DCMI12345678”, “XYZ12345678”.

In addition to Option 12, DHCP Option 60 with Option 43 shall also be able to be used to deliver identification information to support DCMI discovery via DHCP.

The Management Controller may be preconfigured with unique names for default settings. The IPDC can use the Management Controller Identifier command (Section 6.4.6) to override the default settings.

The DHCP process for discovery can be launched manually or automatically. See Section 6.4, Identification and Discovery Support, for details.

Note: Use of DHCP Option 81 for DCMI discovery has been deprecated for DCMI v1.5. In order to retain backward compatibility with earlier DCMI versions, DHCP servers may choose to look for both DHCP Option 12 as well as DHCP Option 81 as described in DCMI 1.1.

5.5.2.2 Management controllers using Static IP address assignment

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

5.5.2.3 RMCP Ping / Pong

DCMI support shall also be discoverable using the RMCP Ping packet. The corresponding RMCP Pong packet returns a parameter that indicates whether DCMI commands are supported.

This is new starting with DCMI 1.5. Refer to 6.4.7, RMCP Ping/Pong for DCMI Discovery for more information.

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 the ability for remote provisioning of the baseboard management controller, which includes manageability controller firmware updates and user configuration.

The requirement is a capability OEMs can provide to IPDCs and the DCMI specification does not in any way standardize the implementation model.

A suggested model using the IPMI 2.0:

1. The manageability controller may provide the 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-configured user name/password (key).
4. The manageability controller may provide a pre-configured Cipher Suite using MAC address to derive the key.

6. Command Requirements

The following platform functional commands shall be provided by all Data Center platforms conforming to DCMI specification. Mandatory (M) and Optional (O) designations apply to DCMI specification conformance. Note that implementing additional commands may be required to make the platform fully conformant to [IPMI 2.0].

All commands that are defined by this specification as extensions to IPMI are defined under the IPMI Group Extension Network Function code 2Ch/2Dh. Per the definition of the 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 messages (REQ and RSP) to identify DCMI specific messages. The rest of the document will use DCGRP as a notation that represents the use of the Group Extension Network Function code (2Ch/2Dh) together with DCh as the defining the body code.

DCGRP = 2Ch/2Dh followed by DCh

Table 6-1, Command Definition

	NetFn	CMD	M/O ¹	Min Privilege Level
DCMI Capabilities & Discovery Configuration Commands				
Get DCMI Capabilities Info	DCGRP	01h	M	Session-less ⁴
Set DCMI Configuration Parameters	DCGRP	12h	M	Admin
Get DCMI Configuration Parameters	DCGRP	13h	M	User
Get Management Controller Identifier String	DCGRP	09h	M	User
Set Management Controller Identifier String	DCGRP	0Ah	M	Admin
Platform & Asset Identification Commands				
Get Asset Tag	DCGRP	06h	M	User
Set Asset Tag	DCGRP	08h	M	Operator
Get Device ID	App (06h)	01h	M	User
Get System GUID	App (06h)	37h	M	User
Chassis Commands				
Get Chassis Capabilities	Chassis (00h)	00h	M	User
Get Chassis Status	Chassis (00h)	01h	M	User
Chassis Control	Chassis (00h)	02h	M	Operator
Chassis Identify	Chassis (00h)	04h	M	Operator
Get ACPI Power State	App (06h)	07h	M	User
Boot Control Commands				
Set System Boot Options	Chassis (00h)	08h	O	Operator ⁶
Get System Boot Options	Chassis (00h)	09h	O	Operator
Logging Commands				
Get SEL Info	Storage (0Ah)	40h	M	User
Reserve SEL	Storage (0Ah)	42h	M	User
Get SEL Entry	Storage (0Ah)	43h	M	User
Clear SEL	Storage (0Ah)	47h	M	Operator
Sensor & SDR Commands				
Get DCMI Sensor Info	DCGRP	07h	M	Operator
Get SDR Repository Info	Storage (0Ah)	20h	M	Operator
Reserve SDR Repository	Storage (0Ah)	22h	M	Operator
Get SDR	Storage (0Ah)	23h	M	User
Get Sensor Threshold	S/E (04h)	27h	M	Operator
Get Sensor Reading	S/E (04h)	2Dh	M	User
Set Sensor Event Enable	S/E (04h)	28h	O ⁸	Operator

	NetFn	CMD	M/O ¹	Min Privilege Level
Get Sensor Event Enable	S/E (04h)	29h	O ⁸	User
Power Management				
Get Power Reading	DCGRP	02h	O	User ⁵
Get Power Limit	DCGRP	03h	O	User ⁵
Set Power Limit	DCGRP	04h	O	Operator ⁵
Activate/Deactivate Power Limit	DCGRP	05h	O	Operator ⁵
Thermal Management				
Set Thermal Limit	DCGRP	0Bh	O	Operator
Get Thermal Limit	DCGRP	0Ch	O	User
Get Temperature Readings	DCGRP	10h	M	User
Watchdog Timer				
Reset Watchdog Timer	App (06h)	22h	M	Operator ¹¹
Set Watchdog Timer	App (06h)	24h	M	Operator ¹¹
Get Watchdog Timer	App (06h)	25h	M	User ¹¹
Remote and Serial Over LAN Session Establishment				
Get Channel Authentication Capabilities	App (06h)	38h	M	None
Set Session Privilege Level	App (06h)	3Bh	M	User
Close Session	App (06h)	3Ch	M	User ¹⁰
Get Session Info	App (06h)	3Dh	M	User
Get Payload Activation Status	App (06h)	4Ah	M	User
Get Payload Instance Info	App (06h)	4Bh	M	User
Get Channel Payload Support	App (06h)	4Eh	O ¹²	User
Activate Payload	App (06h)	48h	M	Configurable ⁷
Deactivate Payload	App (06h)	49h	M	Configurable ⁷
Get Channel Cipher Suites	App (06h)	54h	M	None
SOL Activating	Transport (20h)	20h	M ⁹	None
Remote Access Configuration				
Set LAN Configuration Parameters	Transport (0Ch)	01h	M	Admin
Get LAN Configuration Parameters	Transport (0Ch)	02h	M	Operator
Set Channel Access	App (06h)	40h	M	Admin
Get Channel Access	App (06h)	41h	M	User
Get Channel Info	App (06h)	42h	M ³	User
Set User Access	App (06h)	43h	M	Admin
Get User Access	App (06h)	44h	M	Operator
Set User Name	App (06h)	45h	M	Admin
Get User Name	App (06h)	46h	M	Operator
Set User Password	App (06h)	47h	M	Admin
Set User Payload Access	App (06h)	4Ch	M	Admin
Get User Payload Access	App (06h)	4Dh	M	Operator
Serial Over LAN Configuration				
Set SOL Configuration Parameters	Transport (0Ch)	21h	M	Admin
Get SOL Configuration Parameters	Transport (0Ch)	22h	M	User
System (local) Interface Access				
Set BMC Global Enables	App (06h)	2Eh	O	system interface
Get BMC Global Enables	App (06h)	2Fh	O	system interface, User
Clear Message Flags	App (06h)	30h	O	system interface
Get Message Flags	App (06h)	31h	O	system interface
Messaging Commands				
Get Message	App (06h)	33h	O ³	System Interface ²
Send Message	App (06h)	34h	O ³	User ³

App = Application Network Function Code
S/E = Sensor/Event Network Function Code

- ¹ Mandatory or Optional command
- ² Command is only executable via the system interface.
- ³ Mandatory if required to support message bridging to satellite controllers on IPMB. If supported for system software messaging, a User can use a Send Message command to deliver a message to system software, but Operator privilege is required to use it to access other channels.
- ⁴ Command can be executed at any privilege level and is available before and after establishing a session.
- ⁵ These commands are mandatory if DCMI power management is supported by the platform.
- ⁶ There is a bit in this command that can only be set at Administrator privilege level.
- ⁷ The minimum privilege level for activating the SOL payload is set via the Set SOL Configuration Parameters command.
- ⁸ Mandatory for sensors that support per sensor or per sensor offset event generation enable/disable. See 3.1.5, Sensor Requirements.
- ⁹ Required if SOL can be activated on more than one channel.
- ¹⁰ IPMI defines this minimum privilege level as Callback; however Callback privilege is only relevant to channels that support IPMI over Serial. Since IPMI over Serial is not specified for use with DCMI, the minimum privilege level for this command is specified as User.
- ¹¹ System (host) interface mandatory. LAN interface access is optional.
- ¹² Mandatory if LAN channel supports any payloads other than IPMI Messaging and SOL, or system interface supports payloads other than IPMI Messaging.

6.1 DCMI Capabilities and Configuration Commands

6.1.1 Get DCMI Capabilities Info Command

The command provides version information for DCMI and information about the mandatory and optional DCMI capabilities that are available on the particular platform. 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.

Note: Capability parameter definitions may vary according to the DCMI Specification Conformance version.

Table 6-2, Get 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 8, DCMI Completion Codes.
	2	Group Extension Identification = DCh
	3:4	DCMI Specification Conformance Byte 1 - Major Version (01h) Byte 2 - Minor Version (05h)
	5	Parameter Revision = 02h
	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> Reserved</p> <p><u>byte 2</u> Platform capabilities All bits: 0b = Not present 1b = Available [7:1] Reserved [0] Power management</p> <p><u>byte 3</u> Manageability Access Capabilities All bits: 0b = Not present 1b = Available [7:3] Reserved [2] Out-Of-Band Secondary (second) LAN Channel Available (optional). [1] Serial TMODE Available (TMODE on serial port to management controller) (optional). [0] In-band System Interface Channel Available</p>
Mandatory Platform Attributes	2	<p>This field returns the platform attributes required for the platform capabilities. All reserved bits shall be set to 0b</p> <p><u>byte 1:2</u> SEL Attributes [15] SEL automatic rollover enabled (SEL Overwrite) 0b = Not present 1b = Available [14] Entire SEL Flush upon Rollover (Valid if Rollover is enabled) 0b = Not present 1b = Available [13] Record Level SEL Flush upon Rollover (Valid if Rollover is enabled) 0b = Not present 1b = Available [12] Reserved (0b) [11-0] Number of SEL entries (Maximum 4096) (the number of entries supported must be 64 or greater to be in conformance)</p> <p><u>byte 3:4</u> Reserved</p> <p><u>byte 5</u> Sampling frequency for Temperature Monitoring (Units of 1 sec)</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 (Used for providing the revision control for power management capability)</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>
Enhanced System Power Statistics attributes (Optional)	5	<p>This field returns list of Enhanced System Power Statistic capabilities. This parameter has a direct relationship with Table 6.8, Get Power Reading Command. See section "6.6.1. Get Power Reading" for details.</p> <p><u>byte 1</u> The number of supported rolling average time periods (Note the maximum number of supported rolling average time periods reported by the platform management subsystem is limited by the DCMI transport response length)</p> <p><u>bytes 2:n</u>: Rolling Average Time periods (where "n" is (value of "byte 1" + 1))</p> <p>[7:6]: Time duration units 00b: Seconds 01b: Minutes 10b: Hours 11b: Days</p> <p>[5:0]: Time duration NOTE: Zero "Time Duration" is acceptable and means "NOW" or current reading.</p>

6.1.2 Set DCMI Configuration Parameters

This command is used for setting DCMI-specific configuration parameters. The definition of the configuration parameters is given in Table 6-4, Set DCMI Configuration Parameters Command. Presently, these parameters are primarily used for configuring options related to DHCP discovery.

In some cases, setting a parameter can also trigger a particular action. For example, DCMI Configuration Parameter 1 can be used by software to trigger an immediate launch of DHCP.

Reserved bits or fields shall be written as 0 unless otherwise specified. The command may be rejected with an error completion code if a parameter, reserved bit, or reserved field is written with an unsupported value.

Table 6-4, Set DCMI Configuration Parameters Command

	byte	data field
Request Data	1	Group Extension Identification = DCh
	2	Parameter selector
	3	Set Selector (use 00h for parameters that only have one set)
	4:N	Configuration parameter data, per Table 6-6
Response Data	1	Completion Code. Refer to section 8, DCMI Completion Codes.
	2	Group Extension Identification = DCh

6.1.3 Get DCMI Configuration Parameters Command

This command is used for retrieving the configuration parameters from the *Set DCMI Configuration Parameters* command.

Reserved bits and fields for configuration parameters shall be returned as 0 unless otherwise specified.

Table 6-5, *Get DCMI Configuration Parameters Command*

	byte	data field
Request Data	1	Group Extension Identification = DCh
	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.
Response Data	1	Completion Code. Refer to section 8, DCMI Completion Codes.
	2	Group Extension Identification = DCh
	3:4	DCMI Specification Conformance Byte 1 - Major Version = 01h Byte 2 - Minor Version = 05h
	5	Parameter Revision = 01h
	6: N	Parameter data, per Table 6-6

Table 6-6, *DCMI Configuration Parameters*

Parameter	#	Parameter Data (non-volatile unless otherwise noted) ^[1]
Activate DHCP	1	<u>byte 1</u> – DHCP activate / restart Writing 01h to this parameter will trigger DHCP protocol restart using the latest parameter settings, if DHCP is enabled. This can be used to ensure that the other DHCP configuration parameters take effect immediately. Otherwise, the parameters may not take effect until the next time the protocol restarts or a protocol timeout or lease expiration occurs. This is not a non-volatile setting. It is only used to trigger a restart of the DHCP protocol. This parameter shall always return 0x00 when read.
Discovery Configuration	2	<u>byte 1</u> – DHCP Discovery Configuration [7] random back-off 1b = enabled 0b = disabled (Default) [6:2] reserved DHCP Discovery method: 1b = include option in DHCP option in DHCP DISCOVER and DHCP REQUEST packet as specified. 0b = do not include option, or use default value for the option, as indicated. [1] Option 60 with Option 43 - Vendor class identifier using DCMI IANA, plus Vendor class -specific Information. Including this option will cause an Option 60 field and Option 43 field, as specified in Table 6-7, DHCP Option Requirements, to be included in the DHCP packet. [0] Option 12 - using Management Controller ID String Including this option will cause an Option 12 field, as specified in Table 6-7, DHCP Option Requirements, to be included in the DHCP packet.
DHCP Timing 1	3	<u>byte 1</u> – DHCP Initial timeout interval, in seconds This parameter sets the amount of time between the first attempt to reach a server and the second attempt to reach a server. Each time a message is sent the timeout interval between messages is incremented by twice the current interval multiplied by a pseudo random number between zero and one if random back-off is enabled, or multiplied by one if random back-off is disabled. The recommended default is four seconds.
DHCP Timing 2	4	<u>byte 1:2</u> – DHCP Server contact timeout interval, in seconds This parameter determines the amount of time that must pass between the time that the client initially tries to determine its address and the time that it decides that it cannot contact a server. If the last lease is expired, the client will restart the protocol after the defined retry interval. The recommended default timeout is two minutes. After server contact timeout, the client must wait for "Server Contact Retry Interval" before attempting to contact the server again.

DHCP Timing 3	5	<u>byte 1:2</u> – DHCP Server contact retry interval, in seconds. This is the period between DHCP retries after Server contact timeout interval expires. This parameter determines the time that must pass after the client has determined that there is no DHCP server present before it tries again to contact a DHCP server. The recommended default timeout is sixty-four seconds.
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1. Parameter data is non-volatile unless otherwise noted. Choice of system manufacturing defaults is left to the system manufacturer unless otherwise specified.

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 28.2 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 28.3 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. The “Force Identify On” capability in the command shall be supported. Refer to [IPMI 2.0] Section 28.5 for command format.

6.2.4 Get ACPI Power State Command

This command can be used to retrieve the present power state information that has been *set into the controller* by the ACPI BIOS. As a minimum requirement, the ACPI Power State shall return the current ACPI power state.

The intended usage of the command is to allow remote agents monitor the ACPI power state of the ACPI-aware Operating System during power operations such as power on/off/reset to detect OS issues during booting and shutdown. 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. The implementation of the SEL Rollover capability may provide either record level SEL flush (the oldest record is deleted to make room for the new record), multiple record SEL flush (more than one record is deleted to make room for new records), or entire SEL flush (SEL clear) upon rollover condition. The choice of method is OEM specific. The management controller should update the *Most Recent Erase Timestamp* value in *Get SEL Info* to indicate that records have been automatically deleted.

To decode the SEL entry the following information is required to be understood:

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

The DCMI Capabilities Info command provides the maximum supported SEL entries.

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.

6.3.2.1 Reservation-less SEL Access

The SEL in DCMI 1.5 supports a mechanism that enables the SEL to be accessed without first requiring a Reservation ID to be obtained using the Reserve SEL command. The special Reservation ID value 0000b can be used with any SEL command that requires a Reservation ID for SEL access.

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 and Discovery Support

This section describes DCMI support for discovery and identification of the managed system.

The configuration of DCMI Discovery via DHCP is accomplished using the *Set / Get Management Controller Identifier String* and the *Set / Get DCMI Configuration Parameters* commands. The *Set Management Controller Identifier String* command is used for setting the data for DHCP Option 12. This retains backward compatibility with DCMI v1.5 and v1.1. The content for additional DHCP Options introduced in DCMI 1.5 is set using the *Set DCMI Configuration Parameters* command.

The *Set DCMI Configuration Parameters* command is also used to select which DCMI Options are enabled for discovery, and to configure DHCP timing.

When enabled, DHCP shall be launched on the following conditions:

- Automatically upon power up of the platform management subsystem and re-initialization of the platform management subsystem or Management Controller firmware (such as may occur due to firmware or platform configuration updates or internal watchdog resets).
- On-demand via DCMI Configuration Parameter 1.
- Automatically when the Management Controller Identifier String is set as described in the *Set Management Controller Identifier String* command.
- Automatically based on the timing parameters specified in the DHCP Configuration parameters.

The following table lists the content for the different DHCP Option parameters that are issued by the management controller to support DCMI Discovery via DHCP.

Table 6-7, DHCP Option Requirements

Option	Requirement Details
12	The Management Controller ID string is used for the Host Name data in Option 12. Refer to 6.4.6, Management Controller Identifier String, for more information.

43	<p>If DCMI is identified with Option 60, Option 43 shall also be included in DHCP options. Option 43 shall use the Tag, Length, Value format specified in [RFC 2132] and shall hold fields as specified in the following table. Characters are encoded per ISO/IEC 8859-1.</p> <table border="1" data-bbox="326 233 1274 499"> <thead> <tr> <th data-bbox="326 233 444 285">Field Code</th> <th data-bbox="444 233 1192 285">Field Data</th> <th data-bbox="1192 233 1274 285">O/M</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td data-bbox="326 285 444 317">0x01</td> <td data-bbox="444 285 1192 317">'D', 'C', 'M', 'I'</td> <td data-bbox="1192 285 1274 317">M</td> </tr> <tr> <td data-bbox="326 317 444 369">0x02</td> <td data-bbox="444 317 1192 369">Firmware Vendor IANA. IANA Private Enterprise ID for the vendor providing the firmware version information.</td> <td data-bbox="1192 317 1274 369">M</td> </tr> <tr> <td data-bbox="326 369 444 443">0x03</td> <td data-bbox="444 369 1192 443">Firmware version information. Information shall be encoded as 8-bit characters encoded per ISO/IEC 8859-1. Otherwise, the format and content is specified by the vendor identified by field type 0x02.</td> <td data-bbox="1192 369 1274 443">M</td> </tr> <tr> <td data-bbox="326 443 444 474">0xF2</td> <td data-bbox="444 443 1192 474">Optional additional information for the vendor identified by field type 0x02.</td> <td data-bbox="1192 443 1274 474">O</td> </tr> <tr> <td data-bbox="326 474 444 499">All other</td> <td data-bbox="444 474 1192 499">Reserved</td> <td data-bbox="1192 474 1274 499">n/a</td> </tr> </tbody> </table> <p data-bbox="321 499 1416 527">Any additional sub-options that follow this data shall be ignored for DCMI discovery purposes.</p>	Field Code	Field Data	O/M	0x01	'D', 'C', 'M', 'I'	M	0x02	Firmware Vendor IANA. IANA Private Enterprise ID for the vendor providing the firmware version information.	M	0x03	Firmware version information. Information shall be encoded as 8-bit characters encoded per ISO/IEC 8859-1. Otherwise, the format and content is specified by the vendor identified by field type 0x02.	M	0xF2	Optional additional information for the vendor identified by field type 0x02.	O	All other	Reserved	n/a
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All other	Reserved	n/a																	
60	<p>The option data octets shall be the following 8-bit character sequence encoded per ISO/IEC 8859-1. 'D', 'C', 'M', 'I', '3', '6', '4', '6', '5', ':', '1', ':', '5'</p> <p>Where the first octets up to the first colon (':') character identify DCMI support and the second set of octets up to the second colon identify the DCMI specification major version that the system is compatible with.</p>																		

6.4.1 Asset Tag

The platform shall provide ability for the DCMI customers to add an asset tag unique to each server and query for inventory purposes. The asset tag shall be kept in a Non-Volatile area. The system manufacturer can choose to implement this as an IPMI FRU device or other means.

The manageability controller records the asset tag and can be retrieved by using Get Asset Tag command. It is recommended that the asset tag is populated by the OEM to the IPMI FRU as part of Product Info so that Asset Tag data returned by the IPMI *Read FRU* command and DCMI *Get Asset Tag* command stay in synch with one another.

The Asset Tag shall be encoded using either UTF-8 with Byte Order Mark or ASCII+Latin1 encoding. The maximum size of the Asset Tag shall be 63 bytes, including Byte Order Mark, if provided. (The 63 byte limit is due to a restriction in underlying IPMI FRU data structures).

6.4.2 Get Asset Tag Command

This command enables management consoles or local software to get the Asset Tag data. UTF-8 encoding is identified when the first three bytes (offsets 0, 1, and 2) of the returned Asset Tag Data are set to the UTF-8 Byte Order Mark (BOM) pattern, EFh, BBh, BFh, respectively.

Table 6-8, 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) Note: If the number of bytes to read starting from the given Offset to read exceeds the number remaining Asset Tag data bytes, the command will complete normally (completion code = 00h) but will only return the remaining bytes (Provided the Offset to read and bytes to read are within their correct ranges. See description of the Completion Code for this command.) . For example, if the Asset Tag Length is presently 20 bytes, submitting an Offset to read of 16 and a bytes to read of 16 will be accepted, but only the Asset Tag Data bytes at offsets 16-19 will be returned.
Response Data	1	Completion Code. Refer to section 8, DCMI Completion Codes. C9h shall be returned if offset >62, offset to read+bytes to read >63, or bytes to read >16. The following applies to implementations that keep the DCMI Asset Tag and IPMI FRU Asset Tag information synchronized: If the encoding indicated by the Type/Length byte in the IPMI FRU is not set to ASCII+Latin1 or the Language Code for the IPMI FRU Product Info Area is not set to English (0 or 25), the command shall return the requested data bytes, but shall also return a command-specific completion code based on the detected encoding type, as follows: 80h = Encoding type in FRU is binary / unspecified 81h = Encoding type in FRU is BCD Plus 82h = Encoding type in FRU is 6-bit ASCII Packed 83h = Encoding type in FRU is set to ASCII+Latin1 but language code is not set to English (indicating data is 2-byte UNICODE). The management controller does not check for, nor require, a BOM in the Asset Tag Data. Thus, Asset Tag data can be stored and retrieved as ASCII+Latin1 without receiving an error completion code.
	2	Group Extension Identification = DCh
	3	Total Asset Tag Length Note: The length shall be less than or equal to 63 bytes
	4 - N	Asset Tag Data (starting from offset to read)

6.4.3 Set Asset Tag Command

This command enables remote consoles or local software to set the Asset Tag data. UTF-8 encoding of the Asset Tag data is identified by setting the first three bytes (offsets 0, 1, and 2) of the Asset Tag Data to the UTF-8 Byte Order Mark (BOM) pattern, EFh, BBh, BFh, respectively. Otherwise, the data encoding shall be assumed to be the ASCII+Latin1 subset. Note that the management controller simply stores all eight bits of each of the given Asset Tag Data bytes. It does not check the encoding of the Asset Tag Data bytes, nor does it check for a BOM in the data.

Implementations that keep the Asset Tag in synch with the IPMI FRU data shall write the given characters to the Asset Tag field in the Product Info Area of the IPMI FRU Device and set the encoding of the corresponding Type/Length Byte field to ASCII+Latin1.

Table 6-9 Set Asset Tag Command

	byte	data field
Request Data	1	Group Extension Identification = DCh
	2	Offset to write (0 to 62), The offset is relative to the first character of the Asset Tag data.
	3	Number of bytes to write (16 bytes maximum). Note: The command shall set the overall length of the Asset Tag (in bytes) to the value (offset to write + bytes to write). Any pre-existing Asset Tag bytes at offsets past that length are automatically deleted.
	4 - N	Asset Tag Data
Response Data	1	Completion Code. Refer to section 8, DCMI Completion Codes. C9h shall be returned if offset >62, offset+bytes to write >63, or bytes to write >16. A C9h completion code shall also be returned if an attempt is made to write to an offset that is more than one greater than the length of the presently stored Asset Tag data. Set operations for Asset Tags must be contiguous. For example, if the Asset Tag is presently seven bytes long an attempt to write starting at offset 10 will be rejected and a C9h completion code returned.
	2	Group Extension Identification = DCh
	3	Total Asset Tag Length. This is the length in bytes of the stored Asset Tag after the Set operation has completed. The Asset Tag length shall be set to the sum of the offset to write plus bytes to write. For example, if offset to write is 32 and bytes to write is 4, the Total Asset Tag Length returned will be 36.

6.4.4 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.

6.4.5 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.

6.4.6 Management Controller Identifier String

Management Controller Identifier String is provided in order to accommodate the requirement for the management controllers to identify themselves during discovery phases. Set/Get Management Controller Identifier String commands are provided to provision the controller with the unique identification. The management controller shall maintain the Management Controller Identifier String as non-volatile data.

The Management Controller Identifier String is used to override the default OEM provided identification for DHCP discovery. Please refer to Section 5.5.2.

If Management Controller Identifier String is not provisioned, then the default Controller ID shall be "DCMI<MAC-Address>", where <MAC-Address> is the MAC address of the controller's LAN interface in ASCII, e.g. "192.168.11.1".

The maximum length of the identifier string shall be 64 bytes including a null terminator.

6.4.6.1 Get Management Controller Identifier String Command

This command is used to set the Management Controller Identifier String that is used with Option 12 for DHCP discovery support.

Table 6-10, Get Management Controller Identifier String 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 8, DCMI Completion Codes.
	2	Group Extension Identification = DCh
	3	ID String Length Count of non-null characters starting from offset 0 up to the first null. Note: The Maximum length of the Identifier String is specified as 64 bytes including the null character, therefore the range for this return is 0-63.
	4 - N	Data

6.4.6.2 Set Management Controller Identifier String Command

This command is used to set the Management Controller Identifier String that is used with Option 12 for DHCP discovery support. The string must include a null terminator. The null terminator is used for two purposes: to delineate the end of the string data that is used to populate the DHCP Option 12, and to signal that the last portion of the string has been set using the *Set Management Controller Identifier String* command.

The Management Controller Identifier String data up to the first null shall be used to populate DHCP Option 12 (if enabled). Any additional bytes that may be present past the first null are ignored.

The Maximum length of the Identifier String shall not exceed 64 bytes, including null terminator.

Per Section 6.4, Identification and Discovery Support, setting the Management Controller Identifier String will launch DHCP. The presence of the null terminator among the “bytes to write” shall be considered as indicating the last transfer of the Management Controller Identifier string and shall trigger the launch or re-launch of the DHCP Process, if enabled. The implementation shall force the 64th character position to always be a null. Attempts to write a non-null character to the 64th character position (offset 63) shall be rejected and an error completion code returned.

Table 6-11, Set Management Controller Identifier String Command

	byte	data field
Request Data	1	Group Extension Identification = DCh
	2	Offset to Write

Response Data	3	Number of bytes to write (16 bytes maximum) Implementations shall support offset values 0, 16, 32, and 48. An implementation <i>may</i> support other offsets. Note: The command shall set the overall length of the Management Controller Identifier String (in bytes) to the value (offset to write + bytes to write). Any pre-existing Management Controller Identifier String bytes at offsets past that length are automatically deleted (set to null).
	4-N	Data
	1	Completion Code. Refer to section 8, DCMI Completion Codes.
	2	Group Extension Identification = DCh
	3	Last Offset Written This is the length in bytes of the stored Management Controller Identifier String after the Set operation has completed. The length shall be set to the sum of the offset to write plus bytes to write. For example, if offset to write is 32 and bytes to write is 4, the value returned for Total Length Written will be 36.

6.4.7 RMCP Ping/Pong for DCMI Discovery

6.4.7.1 RMCP Ping Packet

Table 6-12, RMCP/ASF Ping Message Packet Fields, shows the format of the RMCP/ASF Ping message UDP packet that a remote application or console can send for DCMI Discovery. This is the same Ping message used for generic IPMI Discovery. Refer to [IPMI] for more information.

Table 6-12, RMCP/ASF Ping Message Packet Fields

	Field	size in bytes	Value
UDP Header	Source Port	2	per UDP
	Destination Port	2	26Fh
	UDP Length	2	per UDP
	UDP Checksum	2	per UDP
RMCP Header	Version	1	06h = RMCP Version 1.0
	Reserved	1	00h
	RMCP Sequence Number	1	0-254 if RMCP ACK desired. 255 for no RMCP ACK. See [IPMI] sections 13.2.1, <i>RMCP ACK Messages</i> , and 13.2.2, <i>RMCP ACK Handling</i> for more information.
ASF Message	Class of Message	1	06h for ASF
	IANA Enterprise Number	4	4542 (ASF IANA)
	Message Type	1	80h = Presence Ping
	Message Tag	1	0-FEh, generated by remote console. This is an RMCP version of a sequence number. Values 0-254 (0-FEh) are used for RMCP request/response messages. A return of 255 indicates the message is unidirectional and not part of a request/response pair.
	Reserved	1	00h
	Data Length	1	00h

6.4.8 RMCP Pong Packet

The platform shall respond to the RMCP/ASF ping message with a DCMI specified RMCP/ASF pong message to show DCMI Controller discovery.

Table 6-13 shows the RMCP/ASF Pong UDP packet for DCMI server discovery. **BOLD** text highlights the DCMI-specific values. The presence of the DCMI IANA (Enterprise ID) in the second IANA Enterprise Number field of the Pong Message indicates management controller support for DCMI. Refer to [IPMI] for more information on the RMCP/ASF Pong Message.

Table 6-13, RMCP/ASF Pong Message Packet Fields for DCMI Discovery

	Field	size in bytes	Value
UDP Header	Source Port	2	26Fh
	Destination Port	2	from Ping request
	UDP Length	2	per UDP
	UDP Checksum	2	per UDP
RMCP Header	Version	1	6 = RMCP Version 1.0
	Reserved	1	00h
	RMCP Sequence Number	1	FFh for IPMI Also FFh for DCMI Discovery
	Class of Message	1	06h = ASF
ASF Message	IANA Enterprise Number	4	4542 = ASF IANA
	Message Type	1	40h = Presence Pong
	Message Tag	1	from Ping request
	Reserved	1	00h
	Data Length	1	16 (10h)
	IANA Enterprise Number	4	If no OEM-specific capabilities exist, this field contains the ASF IANA (4542) and the OEM-defined field is set to all zeroes (00000000h). Otherwise, this field contains the OEM's IANA Enterprise Number and the OEM-defined field contains the OEM-specific capabilities. 36465 = Data Center Manageability Forum (DCMI IANA)
	OEM-defined	4	Not used for IPMI. This field can contain OEM-defined values; the definition of these values is left to the manufacturer identified by the preceding IANA Enterprise number. 0x00000000 for DCMI Discovery (treat as a reserved field)
	Supported Entities	1	81h for IPMI [7] 1b = IPMI Supported [6:4] Reserved [3:0] 0001b = ASF Version 1.0 81h for DCMI Discovery
	Supported Interactions	1	[7] Set to 1b if RMCP security extensions are supported [6] Reserved for future definition by ASF specification. Set to 0b. [5] Set to 1b if DMTF DASH is supported [4:0] Reserved for future definition by ASF specification, set to 00000b 00h for systems that are solely conformant to the DCMI specification.
	Reserved	6	Reserved for future definition by ASF specification. Set to 00 00 00 00 00 00h

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

The discovery commands for the DCMI Sensors are provided in Get DCMI Sensor Info Command section.

6.5.2 Get DCMI Sensor Info Command

This DCMI command returns information about a DCMI-specified sensor. A particular sensor is identified by the combination of its Entity ID and Entity Instance numbers, as listed in Table 6-14, DCMI Entity ID Extension.

Table 6-14, DCMI Entity ID Extension

Entity ID description	Entity ID	Entity Instance	Sensor Type
Inlet Temperature	40h/37h	0x01...n	Temp (01h)
CPU Temperature (based on # of processors or cores)	41h/03h	0x01...n	Temp (01h)
Baseboard temperature	42h/07h	0x01...n	Temp (01h)

Table 6-15, Get DCMI Sensor Info Command

	byte	data field
Request Data	1	Group Extension Identification = DCh
	2	Sensor Type Refer to <i>Table 6-14, DCMI Entity ID Extension</i>
	3	Entity ID Refer to <i>Table 6-14, DCMI Entity ID Extension</i> The command will automatically map the DCMI 1.1 Entity IDs to the corresponding IPMI Entity ID. However, for compatibility with future versions of the DCMI specification, only the IPMI Entity ID values should be used.
	4	Entity Instance 00h Retrieve information about all instances associated with Entity ID 01h - FFh – Retrieve only the information about particular instance.
	5	Entity Instance Start, Used with Entity Instance 00h for # of instance exceeding one IPMI Response.
Response Data	1	Completion Code. Refer to section 8, 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 [Note: The management controller can include SDR Record IDs corresponding to Entities IDs compatible IPMI 2.0 specified entity IDs such as ⇒ Request for Inlet Temp (40h) can also include Air Inlet Temp Info (37h) ⇒ Request for CPU Temp (41h) can also include CPU Temp (03h) ⇒ Request for Baseboard Temp (42h) can also include System board (07h)

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 the IPMI Get SDR command (Refer to [IPMI 2.0] Section 33.12 for command format). The Sensor Data Record information is used 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.

6.5.3.1 Reservation-less SDR Access

The SDR Repository in DCMI 1.5 supports a mechanism that enables the SDRs to be accessed without first requiring a Reservation ID to be obtained using the Reserve SDR command. The special Reservation ID value 0000b can be used with any SDR command that requires a Reservation ID for SDR Repository access. Note that using this option should be avoided if it is possible that one party may be adding or modifying SDR Records at the same time another party is reading them.

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 Sensor Access Example

The following presents an example of the steps that can be used for querying the Inlet temperature value using the above commands.

1. Send Get DCMI Sensor Info Command for Inlet Temperature, Entity ID = 0x40, Entity Instance = 0x01.
2. Receive the Record ID for the Inlet Temperature entity.
3. Request SDR Info using the Record ID from step 2 and obtain the Sensor # for the sensor and the conversion factors 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

Note: The following commands are not supported if Get DCMI Capabilities Info command indicates no Power management support.

6.6.1 Get Power Reading

Table 6-16, Get Power Reading Command

	byte	data field
Request Data	1	Group Extension Identification = DCh
	2	Mode 01h – System Power Statistics 02h – Enhanced System Power Statistics
	3	<u>Mode based attributes</u> <u>For Mode 01h System Power Statistics Attributes</u> Reserved for future use 00h <u>For Mode 02h Enhanced System Power Statistics Attributes</u> Rolling Average Time periods, only the time periods specified in Parameter 5 of Get DCMI Capabilities Info Command are supported.
	4	Reserved
Response Data	1	Completion Code. Refer to section 8, DCMI Completion Codes.
	2	Group Extension Identification = DCh
	3:4	Current Power in watts
	5:6	Minimum Power over sampling duration in watts Note: Sampling duration depends on Mode selection.
	7:8	Maximum Power over sampling duration in watts Note: Sampling duration depends on Mode selection.
	9:10	Average Power over sampling duration in watts Note: Sampling duration depends on Mode selection.
	11:14	IPMI Specification based Time Stamp <u>For Mode 02h</u> The time stamp specifies the end of the averaging window
	15:18	Statistics reporting time period <u>For Mode 01h</u> Timeframe in milliseconds, over which the controller collects statistics <u>For Mode 02h</u> Timeframe reflects the Averaging Time period in units.
	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

The *Get Power Limit* command returns the present settings for the power limit that has been set using the *Set Power Limit* command.

Table 6-17, 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 8, DCMI Completion Codes. 00h = Power Limit Active 80h = No Active Set Power Limit OEM can also provide Completion Codes.
	2	Group Extension Identification = DCh
	3:4	Reserved for future use
	5	Exception Actions, taken if the Power Limit is exceeded and cannot be controlled within the Correction Time Limit 00h – No Action 01h Hard Power Off system and log event to SEL 02h – 10h OEM defined actions 11h Log event to SEL only 12h-FFh Reserved
	6:7	Power Limit Requested in Watts
	8:11	Correction Time Limit in milliseconds See description of corresponding parameter in Table 6-18, Set Power Limit Command.
	12:13	Reserved for future use
	14:15	Management application Statistics Sampling period in seconds

6.6.3 Set Power Limit

The Set Power Limit command sets the power limit parameters on the system. The power limit defines a threshold which, if exceeded for a configurable amount of time, will trigger a system power off and/or event logging action. This enables the Power Limit to be used as a form of ‘circuit breaker’ for protecting data center power delivery from systems that have abnormal, prolonged power excursions outside their normal operating range.

It is recommended to do a Get Power Limit or check the Get Power Reading command before attempting to set and activate or re-activate the power limit. If the limit is already active, the Set Power Limit command may immediately change the limit that is in effect. However, software should always explicitly activate the limit using the Activate/Deactivate power limit command to ensure the setting takes effect.

It should be noted that in the current context, this command shall be used to set a static 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 6-18, 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 is exceeded and cannot be controlled within the Correction time limit 00h – No Action 01h – Hard Power Off system and log events to SEL ^[1] . See Table 3-2, DCMI Compliant Sensor Definition, for definition of event-only sensors used for logging Power Threshold limit exceeded and Power Off events. 02h – 10h OEM defined actions 11h – Log event to SEL only 12h-FFh Reserved
	6:7	Power Limit Requested in Watts
	8:11	Correction Time Limit in milliseconds Maximum time taken to limit the power after the platform power has reached the power limit before the Exception Action will be taken. The Exception Action shall be taken if the system power usage constantly exceeds the specified power limit for more than the Correction Time Limit interval. The Correction Time Limit timeout automatically restarts if the system power meets or drops below the Power Limit. Note: The power limit sampling interval is the same as that for the <i>Get Power Reading</i> command.
	12:13	Reserved for future use
Response Data	14:15	Management application Statistics Sampling period in seconds
	1	Completion Code. Refer to section 8, DCMI Completion Codes. =00h – Success =84h – Power Limit out of range =85h – Correction Time out of range =89h – Statistics Reporting Period out of range OEM can also provide Completion Codes.
	2	Group Extension Identification = DCh

1. In order to indicate that the power limit was reached *and* the platform was powered off, the Power Threshold limit exceeded event should be followed by a Platform Power Off event in the SEL. The user can assume that these two SEL entries are correlated if their timestamps differ by no more than one second.

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 6-19, 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 8, DCMI Completion Codes.
	2	Group Extension Identification = DCh

6.6.5 Sample power management usage scenarios

6.6.5.1 Power Limit

Scenario I, Power Limit not set or the system can tolerate power spikes between power limit transitions,

1. Get Power Reading

2. Get Power Limit
3. If Power Limit is Active
 - a. Deactivate Power Limit (*Deactivating the limit, will remove Power Control Completely until subsequent Set Power Limit*)
4. Set Power Limit
5. Activate Power Limit

Scenario II, Power Limit already set and functioning, and if a smooth power limit transition is needed

1. Get Power Reading
2. Get Power Limit
3. Set Power Limit (*Platform shall return Out-of-range if the value cannot be achieved and will fall back to the previous activated Power limit*)
4. Activate Power Limit

6.6.5.2 Power Monitoring

Scenario I, Non-periodic sampling of Power, platform dictates its own sampling period and provides its sampling frequency

1. Get Power Reading
 - a. Request: Mode 01h, System Power Statistics
 - b. Response:
 - i. Minimum Power over sampling duration in watts
 - ii. Maximum Power over sampling duration in watts
 - iii. Average Power over sampling duration in watts
 - iv. IPMI Specification based Time Stamp (*Time Stamp when the sample was taken*)
 - v. Statistics reporting time period (*Time period by default the Platform collects information*)
 - vi. Power Reading State (*Data Collected during power control or not*)

Scenario II, Periodic sampling of Power reading, management console dictates the sampling period based on platform published list of rolling average sampling periods.

1. Get Power Reading
 - a. Request: (*First call could enable the platform to start sampling and subsequent period calls for retrieving statistics*)
 - i. Mode 02h, Enhanced System Power Statistics

- ii. One of the published Rolling Average Periods
- b. Response:
 - i. Minimum Power over averaging period in watts
 - ii. Maximum Power over averaging period in watts
 - iii. Average Power over averaging period in watts
 - iv. IPMI Specification based Time Stamp (*Time Stamp when the sample was taken*)
 - v. Statistics reporting time period (*Averaging period should match the rolling average period requested*)
 - vi. Power Reading State (*Data Collected during power control or not*)

6.7 Thermal Management

The following commands are used for DCMI thermal management:

6.7.1 Get Thermal Limit Command

The Get thermal limit command provides ability for the manageability console to query for the thermal limit control capability.

Table 6-20, Get Thermal Limit Command

	byte	data field
Request Data	1	Group Extension Identification = DCh
	2	Entity ID = 37h or 40h (Inlet Temperature)
	3	Entity Instance
Response Data	1	Completion Code. Refer to section 8, DCMI Completion Codes.
	2	Group Extension Identification = DCh
	3	Exception Actions, taken if the Temperature Limit exceeded. The limit is disabled when none of the Exception Actions are enabled." [7] Reserved [6] Hard Power Off system and log event [5] Log event to SEL only [4:0] Reserved
	4	Temperature Limit set in units defined by the SDR record. Note: the management controller is not required to check this parameter for validity against the SDR contents.
	5:6	Exception Time. Interval in seconds over which the temperature must continuously be sampled as exceeding the set limit before the specified Exception Action will be taken. Samples are taken at the rate specified by the sampling frequency value in parameter #5 of the DCMI Capabilities parameters (see Table 6-3, DCMI Capabilities Parameters).

6.7.2 Set Thermal Limit Command

The Set Thermal Limit command enables the management controller to monitor the inlet temperature and take configurable “Exception Actions” if the temperature exceeds a thermal limit value for more than a specified time interval.

If the platform supports more than one inlet temperature sensor, each instance of the sensor can have its own thermal limit settings.

Table 6-21, Set Thermal Limit Command

	byte	data field
Request Data	1	Group Extension Identification = DCh
	2	Entity ID = 37h or 40h (Inlet Temperature)
	3	Entity Instance
	4	Exception Actions, taken if the Temperature Limit exceeded and cannot be controlled within the Correction time limit. The limit is disabled if none of the Exception Actions are enabled. [7] Reserved [6] Hard Power Off system and log event [5] Log event to SEL only (ignored if bit 6 = 1b) [4:0] Reserved
	5	Temperature Limit set in units defined by the SDR record. Note: the management controller is not required to check this parameter for validity against the SDR contents.
	6:7	Exception Time. Interval in seconds during which the temperature must continuously exceed the set limit before the specified Exception Action will be taken. "Continuously" here means at a polling frequency described in the Get DCMI Capabilities command, Mandatory platform Attributes.
	Response Data	1
2		Group Extension Identification = DCh

6.7.3 Get Temperature Readings Command

This DCMI command provides a way to get DCMI Temperature sensor readings in Celsius degrees without having to use sensor reading conversion factors from the IPMI Sensor Data Records.

In some cases, the source of the temperature reading may return a value that is relative to some other temperature threshold point, such as can occur with processor temperature readings. Because most users prefer readings that appear as absolute temperature values, the implementation should synthesize what appears to be an absolute temperature when an actual absolute temperature values is unavailable from the source.

Table 6-22, Get Temperature Readings Command

	Byte	data field
Request Data	1	Group Extension Identification = DCh
	2	Sensor Type. Refer to <i>Table DCMI Entity ID Extension</i>
	3	Entity ID Refer to <i>Table DCMI Entity ID Extension</i> . The command will automatically map the DCMI 1.1 Entity IDs to the corresponding IPMI Entity ID. However, for compatibility with future versions of the DCMI specification, only the IPMI Entity ID values should be used.
	4	Entity Instance 00h Retrieve information about all instances associated with the given Entity ID. 01h - FFh – Retrieve only the information for a particular instance. Note: It is recommended that DCMI Sensor Entity Instance numbers are sequential and contiguous starting from 1.
	5	Entity Instance Start. Used with Entity Instance 00h. Use 01h to return Temperature Data starting with the first set of Temperature Data.
Response Data	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 sets of Temperature Data in this response (Max 8 per response) 01h for Entity Instance not equal to 00h.
	5:6+N	Temperature Data <u>Byte 1:</u> Bit 7: Sign bit (1 is negative and 0 is positive) Bit 6:0: Temperature data in Celsius degrees (Range is -128 C to +128 C) <u>Byte 2:</u> Entity Instance number for the sensor.

6.7.4 Boot Control

[IPMI 2.0] includes a boot options ‘mailbox’ that can be used to direct the operation of BIOS and the booting process following a system power up or reset operation. The following commands are used to set and access the boot options information. Refer to [IPMI 2.0] Table 28-14, Boot Option Parameters, for a listing and description of the boot option parameters. Note that the extent to which particular boot options are supported is dependent on the platform BIOS and software.

6.7.4.1 Set System Boot Options Command

This command is used to set parameters that direct the system boot following a system power up or reset. Refer to [IPMI 2.0] Section 28.12 for command format.

6.7.4.2 Get System Boot Options Command

This command is used to get parameters that direct the system boot following a system power up or reset. Refer to [IPMI 2.0] Section 28.13 for command format.

7. Manageability Access and Security Commands

This chapter describes a number of key IPMI manageability access and security commands that are used to support DCMI. 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].

7.1 Remote Access Configuration 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.

7.2 IPMI LAN Interface Configuration

The manageability controller shall support the parameters listed Table 7-3. All other configuration parameters are optional for DCMI, regardless of whether they're specified as mandatory in [IPMI].

Table 7-1, 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 8, 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 7-2, *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 8, 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.
	<i>The following data bytes are not returned when the 'get parameter revision only' bit is 1b.</i>	
	3:N	Configuration parameter data, per <i>Table 7-3, 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 7-3, LAN Configuration Parameters¹

Parameter ³	#	DCMI Value ²	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. [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 ³	#	DCMI Value ²	Parameter Data (non-volatile unless otherwise noted)
IP Address Source	4	02h	<p><u>data 1</u> [7:4] - reserved [3:0] - address source 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	<p><u>data 1:6</u> - MAC Address for messages transmitted from BMC. <u>MS-byte first.</u></p>
Subnet Mask (optional)	6	User Specified	<p><u>data 1:4</u> - Subnet Mask. MS-byte first.</p>
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. [7:2] - reserved [1] - 1b = enable BMC-generated ARP responses 0b = disable BMC-generated ARP responses [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> [7:0] - Least significant 8-bits of the VLAN ID. 00h if VLAN ID not used. <u>data 2</u> [7] - VLAN ID enable. 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. [6:4] - reserved [3:0] - most significant four bits of the VLAN ID</p>
802.1q VLAN Priority	21	User Specified	<p><u>data 1</u> [7:5] - reserved [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>
RMCP+ Messaging Cipher Suite Entry Support ⁴ (Read Only)	22	Min 2	<p>This parameter provides a count of the number (16 max.) of Cipher Suites available to be enabled for use with IPMI Messaging on the given channel. <u>data 1</u> [7:5] - reserved [4:0] - Cipher Suite Entry count. Number of Cipher Suite entries, 1-based, 16 max.</p>
RMCP+ Messaging Cipher Suite Entries ⁴ (Read Only)	23	ID: 3, 6	<p>This parameter contains zero to sixteen (16) bytes of Cipher Suite IDs for Cipher Suites that can be used for establishing an IPMI messaging session with the BMC. The Number of Cipher Suites that is supported is given in the preceding parameter. <u>data 1</u> - Reserved <u>data 2</u> - Cipher Suite ID entry A. <u>data 3</u> - Cipher Suite ID entry B. ... <u>data 17</u> - Cipher Suite ID entry P.</p>

Parameter ³	#	DCMI Value ²	Parameter Data (non-volatile unless otherwise noted)
RMCP+ Messaging Cipher Suite Privilege Levels ⁴	24	User Defined	<p>This parameter allows the configuration of which privilege levels are associated with each Cipher Suite. The total number of nibbles supported (zero to sixteen) matches the number of fixed Cipher Suite IDs.</p> <p>data 1 - Reserved data 2 - Maximum Privilege Level for 1st and 2nd Cipher Suites [7:4] - Maximum Privilege Level for 2nd Cipher Suite [3:0] - Maximum Privilege Level for 1st Cipher Suite 0h = Unspecified (given Cipher Suite is unused) 1h = Callback level 2h = User level 3h = Operator level 4h = Administrator level 5h = OEM Proprietary level data 3 - Maximum Privilege Level for 3rd and 4th Cipher Suites data 4 - Maximum Privilege Level for 5th and 6th Cipher Suites ... data 9 - Maximum Privilege Level for 15th and 16th Cipher Suites</p>

¹ Only relevant DCMI fields are provided.

² Recommended DCMI value for the parameter

³ Reflect IPMI Specification

⁴ Will adopt SHA256 inclusion to these parameters from IPMI Specification

7.3 IPMI Channel Access Configuration

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

Table 7-4, Set Channel Access Command

	byte	DCMI Values	data field
Request Data	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 8, 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 7-5, Get Channel Access Command

	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 8, 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 dedicate the serial connection to the BMC. 3h = shared Same as always available, but BIOS typically leaves the serial port available for software use.
	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. DCMI Completion Codes

DCMI completion code usage matches the completion codes specification from [IPMI 2.0]. Completion Code values are split into ‘generic’, ‘device-specific’ (which covers OEM) and ‘command-specific’ ranges. All commands can return Generic Completion Codes. Commands that complete successfully shall return the 00h, ‘Command Completed Normally’, Completion Code. Commands that produce error conditions, or return a response that varies from what was specified by the Request parameters for the command, shall return a non-zero Completion Code, as specified in the following table. In some cases, an explicit completion code must be returned for a specified condition. This behavior will be called out explicitly in the specification, typically as part of the definition of a particular command.

Table 8-1, 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.
DEVICE-SPECIFIC (OEM) CODES 01h-7Eh	
01h-7Eh	Device specific (OEM) completion codes. This range is used for command-specific codes that are also specific for a particular device and version. A-priori knowledge of the device command set is required for interpretation of these codes.
COMMAND-SPECIFIC CODES 80h-BEh	

Code	Definition
80h-BEh	Standard command-specific codes. This range is reserved for command-specific completion codes for commands specified in this document.
all other	reserved