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Withdrawal of SMPTE RP 189-1996

Organization of DPX Files on TAR Tapes

A document should be Withdrawn only if there is a significant possibility of its use causing harm. A Withdrawn document shall still be made available and offered for sale by the Society, but it shall be prefaced by a cover page explaining its current status including a statement that some or all of the content is no longer endorsed by the Society.

This document was approved in 1996.

Following a 5-year review in 2002, it was determined that SMPTE RP 189 as written could not be implemented due to:

- (1) Normative reference to POSIX (IEEE 1003.1-1990) being no longer valid.
- (2) SMPTE RP 189 makes reference to support under MS-DOS operating systems. TAR is not supported in these systems without the use of unspecified 3rd party tools.
- (3) DOS end-of-line characters (CR/LF) and UNIX end-of-line character (LF) are incompatible. To use this RP, an unspecified DOS-to-UNIX conversion program is required.

In 2008, a study was undertaken to determine industry usage of SMPTE RP 189 and to identify any need or interest in revising the document to address the identified concerns.

It was subsequently determined that SMPTE RP 189 did not represent current practice and accordingly was unlikely to be used as the basis for new equipment designs, and any limited interest in amending the document did not materialize.

A subsequent review conducted in TC-10E in June 2010, recommended withdrawal of SMPTE RP 189. This recommendation was agreed by consensus vote in September of that year.

Accordingly, the withdrawal procedure was followed and SMPTE RP 189 is no longer endorsed by the Society.