

# USB Type-C ENGINEERING CHANGE NOTICE

**Title: Default Current Clarification for non-USB Devices**  
**Applied to: USB Type-C Specification Release 1.3, July 13, 2017**

<b>Brief description of the functional changes proposed:</b>
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Clarify the power a non-USB device is allowed to draw when a Source advertises default USB Type-C current.
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<b>Benefits as a result of the proposed changes:</b>
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Allows a non-USB device such as a power bank to draw up to 500mA when the Source advertises default USB Type-C Current.
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<b>An assessment of the impact to the existing revision and systems that currently conform to the USB specification:</b>
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Likely little as the Sources are already required to be able to supply at least 500mA when advertising default USB Type-C Current.
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<b>An analysis of the hardware implications:</b>
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Little.
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<b>An analysis of the software implications:</b>
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None.
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<b>An analysis of the compliance testing implications:</b>
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Little.
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## Actual Change Requested

### (a). Section 1.5

#### To Text:

Add to the table:

<u>Power Sinking Device (PSD)</u>	<u>Sink which draws power but has no other USB or Alternate Mode communication function e.g. a power bank.</u>
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### (b). Section 4.6.2.1

#### From Text:

#### 4.6.2.1 USB Type-C Current

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The relationship of USB Type-C Current and the equivalent USB PD Power (PDP) value is shown in Table 4-18.

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When a Source is advertising USB Type-C Default current, the Sink behavior is defined as follows:

- It connects as a *USB 2.0* or *USB 3.2* device, after which the Sink shall follow the appropriate USB specification.
- It enters a *USB PD* contract, after which the Sink shall follow the *USB PD* specification to determine the current (e.g., *Rp* will no longer be Default as it is superseded by the *USB PD* contract).
- It detects a *USB BC 1.2* charging port, after which the Sink shall follow the *USB BC 1.2* specification.
- It attaches as a USB Type-C Power Sinking Device (PSD), after which the Sink may draw up to 500 mA.

A PSD shall fully support USB Type-C Current operation, should support *USB PD* and may support *USB BC 1.2*. A PSD may be a Sink or a DRP operating in Sink mode. A PSD shall not have a USB or USB Type-C Alternate Mode communications function.

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