IS 23360 Linux Standard Base / Linux Foundation

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The Free Standards Group has been renamed the Linux Foundation (LF). IS 23360 passed its DIS ballot in September 2005, and was submitted to ITTF in January 2006. The document is now publicly available at no charge from the ITTF website. The LF would like to thank SC 22 for their efforts in ensuring this happened.

The LSB workgroup has been tracking a number of issues on the 3.1 LSB, the version submitted to ITTF. An errata document is currently being finalized within the LSB workgroup, and will be submitted as a Technical Corrigendum (TC-1) by the end of October, 2007. All defects have been tracked in the LSB bug database; none have arisen directly from ISO/IEC, and therefore no record of response has been generated.

At the same time, the workgroup has been developing LSB 3.2, which has several new features included. It is still under discussion exactly which of these new features should be included in any future revision of IS 23360, but it is anticipated that such a revision will be ready to commence shortly; certainly within the next six months. Any national body wishing to participate in the development of this revision should contact the project editor.

The LF respectfully requests the SC 22 secretariat to revise the programme of work to show IS 23360 in revision by the end of Q1 2008. It is anticipated that there will be exactly 2 ballots: a concurrent CD registration and FCD ballot (probably in January 2008), and a DIS ballot following very shortly thereafter. This is in line with the maintenance plan proposed during the initial PAS submission of this specification.

The LF remains a category y A liaison organization to JTC 1/SC 22, and a recognized JTC 1 PAS submitter. The LF is aware of the discussions to require new PAS submissions to gain National Body support as for a normal New Work Item, and strongly endorses these suggestions.