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A Note on Using the C Compiler Packages for the R32C/100 and the M32C Series of MCUs

Please take note of the following problem in using the C compiler package for the R32C/100 series, M16C family, and the one for the M32C series* of MCUs, M3T-NC308WA:

- With issuing preprocessing directive #pragma DMAC to extend the C compiler's functionality
*The M32C series is the generic name of the M32C/80 and M16C/80 series.

1. Products and Versions Concerned

(1) C compiler package for the R32C/100 series
V.1.01 Release 00
(2) C compiler package for the M32C series (M3T-NC308WA)
V.5.00 Release 1 through V.5.41 Release 01

2. Description

If a variable specified with #pragma DMAC is used in a controlling expression, assemble errors may arise.

3. Conditions

This problem occurs if the following conditions are all satisfied:
(1) Any of the optimizing options -O1, -O2, -O3, -O4, -O5, -OR, -OS, -OR_MAX and -OS_MAX are selected.
(2) An external variable is specified with #pragma DMAC.
(3) The external variable in (2) and an integer constant are bitwise-ANDed in the controlling expression in an if, while, or for statement.
(4) The integer constant in (3) is 2 to the nth power (1, 2, 4, 8, etc).

Example in C compiler package for R32C/100 series:

```
------------------------------------------------------------------
  unsigned char val;
  unsigned long dmd0;
```

```
#pragma DMAC dmd0 DMD0        /* Condition (2) */

void func(void)
{
   if(dmd0 & 0x00000001L) {   /* Conditions (3) and (4) */
      val++;
   }
}
```

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4. Workaround

Assign the variable specified with #pragma DMAC to a temporary variable, and then evaluate it in the controlling expression.

Example:

```
unsigned char val;
unsigned long dmd0;
#pragma DMAC dmd0 DMD0

void func(void)
{
   unsigned long tmp;

   tmp = dmd0;                /* Assigned to tmp */
   if(tmp & 0x00000001L) {
      val = 0x1;
   }
}
```

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5. Schedule of Fixing the Problem

We plan to fix this problem in the next release of the products.
