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A Note on Using C Compilers M3T-NC308WA, M3T-NC30WA, M3T-NC79WA and M3T-NC77WA

Please take note of the following problem in using C compilers (with an assembler and integrated development environment) M3T-NC308WA, M3T-NC30WA, M3T-NC79WA, and M3T-NC77WA:

• On the standard library function "sprintf"

1. Products and Versions Concerned

For the M32C/80 and M16C/80 series MCUs
M3T-NC308WA V.1.00 Release 1 through V.5.00 Release 1
For the M16C/60, M16C/30, M16C/20, and M16C/10 series MCUs
M3T-NC30WA V.1.00 Release 1 through V.5.00 Release 2
For the 79xx series MCUs
M3T-NC79WA V.2.00 Release 1 through V.4.10 Release 1A
For the 77xx series MCUs
M3T-NC77WA V.3.00 Release 1 through V.5.20 Release 4

2. Description

If a space is inserted between two arguments, % and f, of the "sprintf" standard library function, the result of an assignment may become such a value as 0.000000. (The number of decimal places varies according to the specified format of the sprintf function.)

3. Condition

This problem occurs if a floating-point number explained below is assigned to argument "f". This floating-point number is such a value as 0.9999999, which can be rounded off to 1 as the nearest whole number.

4. Example	e
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```
#include <stdio.h>

float f;

int main( void )
{
    char buf[10];

    f = 0.9999999;

    sprintf( buf,"% f",f ); /*A space inserted between % and f*/
}
```

In the above example, the value assigned to "buf" becomes 0.000000.

5. Workaround

This problem can be circumvented in either of the following ways:

(1) Modify the source file "print.c" of the standard library function as follows and re-create the standard library file by using the librarian:

Modification of "print.c":

To the processing in the _f8prn function, add the four lines with the comment of "Processing to add" as shown in an example below.

Notes: * This modification part begins at the 986th line in the M3T-NC308WA V.5.00 Release 1, and this beginning line varies according to compilers and their versions.

* The English version does not have any comments in the comment columns.

```
if ( CHK KETA ) {
    if ( (p_flg == 'e' || p_flg == 'E') && inte[0]=='9' ) {
    /* %e
                  9
         inte[0] = '1'; /*
                                      */
         if ( CHK_EFUGO ) {
             /*
             cnt--;
             if (!cnt)
                                      */
                  /*
                  CLR_EFUGO;
         } else
             cnt++;
    } else {
```

```
for ( r=0; r<seisu; r++ ) {
               if ( inte[r] == '9' )
                     inte[r] = '0';
               else {
                     ++inte[r];
                     break;
               }
          }
          if ( r = seisu \&\& r! = 0) {
               inte[seisu] = '1';
               seisu++;
          }
          else if( seisu == 0){ /* Processing to add */
               inte[seisu] = '1'; /* Processing to add */
               seisu++;
                               /* Processing to add */
                            /* Processing to add */
          }
     }
}
```

Re-create the standard library file by going through the following steps:

- a. Modify the print.c file saved in the SRCxx¥lib directory under the directory where your product is installed. Here xx denotes the numerals in each product type.
- b. Re-create the standard library file using the makefile.dos file saved in the SRCxx¥lib directory.
- c. Copy the re-created standard library file to the directory indicated by environment variable LIBxx.
- (2) Pass the absolute value of a floating-point number to the sprintf function as its argument.

```
#include <stdio.h>
#include <math.h> /* math.h included */

float f;

int main( void )
{
    char buf[10];
    f = 0.9999999;
```

6. Schedule of Fixing the Problem

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

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