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A Note on Using the C Compiler Package for the M16C Series

Please take note of the following problem in using the C compiler package-- M3T-NC30WA--for the M16C series: *

- With using assembler start-up files
- With using C-language start-up files

* The M16C series is the generic name of the M16C/60, /30, /20, /10, /Tiny and R8C/Tiny series.

1. With using assembler start-up files

1.1 Product and Version Concerned

The C compiler package (M3T-NC30WA) for the M16C series
V.5.42 Release 00

1.2 Description

If you use any assembler start-up file generated by the High-performance Embedded Workshop, the user stack pointer is not set properly.

1.3 Conditions

This problem occurs when the assembler start-up file is generated by the High-performance Embedded Workshop, if status is set to use the user-stack on making a new workspace. The default status is to use the user-stack.

In this case, the value of `__STACKSIZE__` defined in the `nc_define.inc` file is equal to or greater than 1.

1.4 Workarounds

When a new workspace is generated:

We provide you with the problem-fixed start-up file `ncrt0.a30`.

So, go through the following steps:

- (1) Download the ZIP file.(3KB)

- (2) Decompress the ZIP file to obtain the st_up folder.
- (3) Overwrite the previous st_up folder that resides in the following directory* with the one obtained in (2):

Hew¥System¥Pg¥Renesas¥M16C¥V5_42_0¥Generate

* In this directory, the High-performance Embedded Workshop has been installed; it is under C:¥ProgramFiles¥Renesas¥ by default.

When a workspace has existed already:

Modify source-lines in the ncr0.a30 according to the following cases

- The start-up file for R8C/Tiny series: Change 35 and 36 lines
- The start-up file for M16C family: Change 41 and 42 lines

Before changing:

```
-----  
.if __STACKSIZE__ != 0  
    ldc #stack_top,sp ;set stack pointer  
    ldc #0080h,flg  
.else  
    ldc #0000h,flg  
.endif  
-----
```

After changing:

```
-----  
.if __STACKSIZE__ != 0  
    ldc #0080h,flg  
    ldc #stack_top,sp ;set stack pointer  
.else  
    ldc #0000h,flg  
.endif  
-----
```

1.5 Schedule of Fixing the Problem

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

2. With using C-language start-up files

2.1 Product and Versions Concerned

The C compiler package (M3T-NC30WA) for the M16C series
V.5.40 Release 00 and V.5.42 Release 00

2.2 Description

If you use any C-language start-up file generated by the High-

performance Embedded Workshop, the section for external variables with initial values may not be initialized properly.

2.3 Conditions

This problem occurs if the following conditions are all satisfied:

- (1) The initsct.c file is not linked at the top of the user program.
- (2) The last of a section in the file linked to the user program immediately before the initsct.c file has an odd address.

2.4 Workarounds

Go through the following steps to link the initsct.c file at first to the user program:

- (1) Open the Build menu and Select the Linkage Order command.
You see the Linkage Order dialog box.
- (2) Check the Use custom linkage order check box.
- (3) Click "initsct.r30" in the list displayed; then press the Move to top button.
- (4) Press the OK button to close the dialog box.

2.5 Schedule of Fixing the Problem

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

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