TEXT,C,55 ADAPTEC EZ-SCSI FOR DOS AND WINDOWS Makes SCSI Installation Easy

HIGHLIGHTS:

- * Intelligent easy-to-use SCSI installation program with autoconfigure and context-sensitive help
- * Improved SCSI Managers including ASPI for Windows
- * Integrated CD-ROM driver support and CD player utility
- * Improved formatting and partitioning utilities
- * Windows-based SCSI bus query utility

OVERVIEW:

As PCs become more powerful and applications more complex, you need an I/O environment that keeps up with the power of your system. SCSI is rapidly becoming the standard peripheral interface that meets this need and facilitates the connection of a wide variety of peripherals to one PC. SCSI offers peripheral connectivity and high data transfer rates which provide the I/O performance you need to keep pace with today's powerful computing environment. And now, with Adaptec EZ-SCSI, installation is easier than ever.

Adaptec EZ-SCSI is a user-friendly utility software program that easily connects SCSI peripherals. Through the industry-standard ASPI interface, pioneered by Adaptec, Adaptec EZ-SCSI allows you to install SCSI peripherals in DOS and Windows to optimise your I/O environment. With Adaptec EZ-SCSI, you do not need operating system knowledge to install and manage SCSI hardware and software. Adaptec EZ-SCSI provides you with a broad offering of SCSI software managers and utilities for installing and managing different SCSI devices including fixed disks, removable hard disks, CD-ROMs, and magneto/optical storage devices. Because it simplifies the complex, Adaptec EZ-SCSI lets all users benefit from the power of SCSI.

ADAPTEC EZ-SCSI INSTALLATION:

With Adaptec EZ-SCSI, installation is quick and easy. Simply type "install" and follow the instructions. Adaptec EZ-SCSI determines what hardware is present on your system and

automatically configures your system by modifying the CONFIG.SYS and AUTOEXEC.BAT system files. If you have a question context-sensitive help is only a keystroke away. Installation is especially easy because at each step in the process, defaults already have been selected. In most cases, all you need to do is hit <enter>. What's more, you no longer have to worry about editing system files by hand.

Whether you choose defaults or select from the options, Adaptec EZ-SCSI automatically moves and modifies the files for you. And, because you need versatility as well as simplicity, Adaptec EZ-SCSI accommodates even your most sophisticated installation requirements by giving you a wide selection of options.

IMPROVED SYSTEM PERFORMANCE:

Adaptec EZ-SCSI complies with the ASPI interface for SCSI peripherals. ASPI provides a "plug-and-play" I/O environment that enables easy access to a wide variety of today's leading peripherals including hard disks and CD-ROMs, thus extending the life of your system. With Adaptec EZ-SCSI, for the first time, applications can communicate directly to the ASPI for Windows interface and safety bypass traditional operating system paths. Because unnecessary system overhead is eliminated, you get higher performance for I/O stressed applications such as tape backup.

INTEGRATED CD-ROM SUPPORT:

Adaptec EZ-SCSI gives you all the CD-ROM support you need without having to purchase a separate software product. Because integrated CD-ROM support is fully integrated into Adaptec EZ-SCSI, you can easily attach CD-ROMs to your system. Adaptec EZ-SCSI automatically detects the presence of a CD-ROM and makes the necessary system configuration changes. And, because the Adaptec CDplayer utility provides familiar audio controls like those on your home stereo system, you can easily access, adjust and play your favourite CDs.

IMPROVED MANAGEMENT OF YOUR SCSI I/O ENVIRONMENT:

Adaptec EZ-SCSI has new and improved utilities

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that allow you to better manage your SCSI I/O environment. A new Windows based utility called showscsi provides a graphical representation of your environment with the option to display detailed hardware characteristics for each device. As a diagnostic tool, showscsi helps to identify any potential problems or unusual situations.

Another new utility, scsifmt, is included with Adaptec EZ-SCSI for low-level disk formatting. After automatically detecting the installed disk devices, the utility lets you either scan individual drives for defects or reformat. Low-level reformatting reconditions the drive by replacing damaged sectors with spares and recording changes on the disk. This capability is important for intensive I/O applications where disk integrity is critical.

Adaptec EZ-SCSI also features afdisk, a SCSI disk partitioning and highlevel formatting utility. With this utility, you can partition SCSI disks that are not mounted by the Adaptec host adapter, BIOS. In addition, afdisk allows you to add or delete a DOS partition or to delete a non-DOS partition.