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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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