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Notes on Using Renesas Flash Programmer

When using Renesas Flash Programmer, a flash-memory-programming software tool, take note of the following problems:

- With executing erase command
- With flash shield window setting

1. Problem with Executing Erase Command

1.1 Product and Version Concerned

Renesas Flash Programmer V2.01.00 and V2.01.01

1.2 MCUs Involved

MCUs equipped with the user boot area in the RX200 and RX600 series of RX family

1.3 Description

Even if a block of the user boot area has been set to a state where it is not selectable as a target to be erased by using the following methods, the block can be selected and erased by executing the operations described in section 1.4.

To omit the user boot area from the targets to be erased, follow these steps:

- (a) In the Project Settings window, click the Other Settings tab.
- (b) Select False from the Permission of erasure drop-down list in the User Boot Area Option category.

1.4 Operations Concerned

- (1) Select the Microcontroller menu, issue the Read command. Then, save the program data with any file name in the Save As dialog box.
- (2) In the Read dialog box which automatically appears after operation (1), click on the Cancel button to close the dialog box.

(3) Select the Microcontroller menu, issue the Erase command, and then select the block to be erased in the Erase dialog box.

1.5 Solution

This problem will be fixed in the V2.03.00 product (to be published on November 20, 2013).

2. Problem with Flash Shield Window Setting

2.1 Product and Version Concerned

Renesas Flash Programmer V2.01.01

2.2 MCUs Involved

RX100 series, RX family of MCUs

2.3 Description

In the main window while the Full mode is in use, select the Security Settings (Flash Shield Window) category on the Other Settings tabbed page of the Project Settings panel. Executing the operations described in section 2.4 after selecting this category leads to incorrect processing for termination of the Renesas Flash Programmer and an error message indicating that operation has stopped appears.

2.4 Operations Concerned

- (1) Select True from the Set Security drop-down list.
- (2) Change the value input to the Start of flash shield block number or End of flash shield block number text box into any other value.
- (3) Exit Renesas Flash Programmer.

2.5 Workaround

Between operations (2) and (3) in section 2.4, click on any text box of the setting items on the Project Settings panel other than the Start of flash shield block number or End of flash shield block number text box to remove focus from these two items for setting.

2.6 Schedule for Fixing the Problem

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