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Rationale

Projects:

ISO/IEC JTC 1.03.03.00.00.00, Information technology --Database language – SQL;
ISO/IEC JTC 1.03.03.01.00.00, Information technology --Database language - SQL - Part: 3
SQL/CLI;
ISO/IEC JTC 1.03.03.01.01.00, Information technology --Database language - SQL -
Technical Corrigendum 3;
ISO/IEC JTC 1.03.03.02.00.00, Information technology --Database language - SQL - Part: 4
SQL/PSM;
ISO/IEC JTC 1.03.04.01.02.00, Information technology --Database language - SQL -
Technical Corrigendum 1 (for CLI);
ISO/IEC JTC 1.03.04.01.03.00, Information technology --Database language - SQL -
Technical Corrigendum 1 (for PSM)
have all been superseded by ISO/IEC 9075:1999 and no longer need to be maintained.
WG3 recommends that these projects be withdrawn.

Project:

03.04.07.00.00, Information technology --Database language - SQL - Part: 7 SQL/Temporal
has not progressed beyond the Working Draft stage.

WG3 decided near the start of the ballot process that lead to the standardisation of ISO/IEC 9075:1999 that its resources should be concentrated on the successful completion of the ballots on parts 1 to 5. The market priorities were such that a new basic SQL standard was desperately needed and whilst there was recognition in many places that the temporal facilities planned for Part 7 were also very important the group correctly took the view that there was as yet insufficient interest amongst the vendor community or the very large users to generate sufficient feedback to enable the development of a really successful standard. To date only a few basic operators and other building blocks have been defined within the Working Draft.

The Working Group is recommending the cancellation of this part *within project 1.03.04*.

The group now believes that there is little point in attempting to complete work on this document as part of ISO/IEC 9075:1999 and instead intends to concentrate on completing the work as part of ISO/IEC 9075:200n, for which there is a separate subproject (1.32.03.05.07.00).

The Working Group now perceives an increased interest in the marketplace and believes that the current timescales will result in the production of a successful and accepted addition to the SQL family of standards.