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136 **1. Introduction**

137 This white paper defines an extension to the Internet Printing Protocol (IPP) that supports
138 printing of physical objects by Additive Manufacturing devices such as three-dimensional
139 (3D) printers. The attributes and values defined in this document have been prototyped
140 using the CUPS software [CUPS].

141 The primary focus of this document is on popular Fused Deposition Modeling (FDM)
142 devices that melt and extrude ABS and PLA filaments in layers to produce a physical, 3D
143 object. However, the same attributes can be used for other types of 3D printers that use
144 different methods and materials such as Laser Sintering of powdered materials and curing
145 of liquids using ultraviolet light.

146 This document also addresses common Cloud-based issues by extending the IPP Shared
147 Infrastructure Extensions [PWG5100.18], although how such services are provisioned or
148 managed is out of scope.

149 This document does not address the larger issue of choosing a common Object Definition
150 Language (ODL) for interoperability, however there are suggested MIME media type
151 names listed in section 7 for several formats in common use as well as strategies for
152 mapping material definitions in the Job Ticket to the ODL content.

153 **2. Terminology**

154 **2.1 Terms Used in This Document**

155 *Additive Manufacturing*: A 3D printing process where material is progressively added to
156 produce the final output.

157 *Binder Jetting*: A 3D printing process that uses a liquid binder that is jetted to fuse layers of
158 powdered materials.

159 *Digital Light Processing*: A 3D printing process that uses light with a negative image to
160 selectively cure layers of a liquid material.

161 *Fused Deposition Modeling*: A 3D printing process that extrudes a molten material to draw
162 layers.

163 *Laser Sintering*: A 3D printing process that uses a laser to melt and fuse layers of
164 powdered materials.

165 *Material Jetting*: A 3D printing process that jets the actual build materials in liquid or molten
166 state to produce layers.

167 *Selective Deposition Lamination*: A 3D printing process that laminates cut sheets of
168 material.

169 *Stereo Lithography*: A 3D printing process that uses a laser to cure and fuse layers of
170 liquid materials.

171 *Subtractive Manufacturing*: A 3D printing process where material is progressively removed
172 to produce the final output.

173 **2.2 Acronyms and Organizations**

174 *CNC*: Computer Numerical Control

175 *DLP*: Digital Light Processing

176 *FDM*: Fused Deposition Modeling

177 *IANA*: Internet Assigned Numbers Authority, <http://www.iana.org/>

178 *IETF*: Internet Engineering Task Force, <http://www.ietf.org/>

179 *ISO*: International Organization for Standardization, <http://www.iso.org/>

180 *ODL*: Object Definition Language

181 *PWG*: Printer Working Group, <http://www.pwg.org/>

182 *SD*: SD Card Association, <http://www.sdcard.org/>

183 *SDL*: Selective Deposition Lamination

184 *SL*: Stereo Lithography

185 *USB*: Universal Serial Bus, <http://www.usb.org/>

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187 **3. Rationale for IPP 3D Printing Extensions**

188 Existing specifications define the following:

- 189 1. IPP/2.0 Second Edition [PWG5100.12] defines version 2.0, 2.1, and 2.2 of the
190 Internet Printing Protocol which defines a standard operating and data model,
191 interface protocol, and extension mechanism to support traditional Printers;
- 192 2. IPP Everywhere [PWG5100.14] defines a profile of existing IPP specifications,
193 standard Job Template attributes, and standard document formats;
- 194 3. IPP Shared Infrastructure Extensions (INFRA) [PWG5100.18] defines an
195 interface for printing through shared services based in infrastructure such as
196 Cloud servers;
- 197 4. The Standard Specification for Additive Manufacturing File Format (AMF)
198 Version 1.1 [ISO52915] defines an XML schema and file format for describing
199 3D objects with one or more materials; and
- 200 5. The SLC File Specification [STLFORMAT] defines a file format (commonly
201 called "STL files") for describing 3D object with a single material.

202 Therefore, this IPP 3D Printing Extensions (3D) document should define IPP attributes,
203 values, and operations needed to support printing of 3D objects, status monitoring of 3D
204 printers and print jobs, and configuration of 3D printer characteristics and capabilities.

205 **3.1 Use Cases**

206 **3.1.1 Print a 3D Object**

207 Jane is viewing a 3D object and wishes to print it. After initiating a print action, she selects
208 a 3D printer on the network, specifies material and print settings, and submits the object
209 for printing.

210 **3.1.2 Print a 3D Object Using Loaded Materials**

211 Jane is viewing a 3D object and wishes to print it. After initiating a print action, she selects
212 a 3D printer on the network that has the material(s) she wishes to use, specifies additional
213 print settings, and submits the object for printing.

214 **3.1.3 Print a 3D Object with Multiple Materials**

215 Jane wants to print a multi-material object on a single-material Printer. Jane uses software
216 on her Client device to create Document data that instructs the Printer to pause printing
217 and provide status information at specific layers so that she can change materials at the
218 Printer and resume printing with the new material.

219 **3.1.4 View a 3D Object During Printing**

220 Jane has submitted a 3D print Job that will take 4 hours to complete. She can visually
221 monitor the progress of the Job through a web page provided by the Printer.

222 **3.2 Exceptions**

223 **3.2.1 Clogged Extruder**

224 While printing a 3D object, the extruder becomes clogged. The printer stops printing and
225 sets the corresponding state reason to allow Jane's Client device to discover the issue and
226 display an appropriate alert.

227 **3.2.2 Extruder Temperature Out of Range**

228 While printing a 3D object, the extruder temperature goes out of range for the material
229 being printed. The printer pauses printing until the temperature stabilizes and sets the
230 corresponding state reason to allow Jane's Client device to discover the issue and display
231 an appropriate alert.

232 **3.2.3 Extruder Head Movement Issues**

233 While printing a 3D object, the extruder head movement becomes irregular. The Printer
234 stops printing and sets the corresponding state reason to allow Jane's Client device to
235 discover the issue and display an appropriate alert.

236 **3.2.4 Filament Feed Jam**

237 While printing a 3D object, the filament jams and cannot be fed into the extruder. The
238 printer stops printing and sets the corresponding state reason to allow Jane's Client device
239 to discover the issue and display an appropriate alert.

240 **3.2.5 Filament Feed Skip**

241 While printing a 3D object, the filament extrusion rate is insufficient to maintain proper
242 printing. The printer stops printing and sets the corresponding state reason to allow Jane's
243 Client device to discover the issue and display an appropriate alert.

244 **3.2.6 Material Empty**

245 While printing a 3D object, the printer runs out of the printing material. The printer pauses
246 printing until more material is loaded and sets the corresponding state reason to allow
247 Jane's Client device to discover the issue and display an appropriate alert.

248 **3.2.7 Material Adhesion Issues**

249 While printing a 3D object, the printed object releases from the build platform or the current
250 layer is not adhering to the previous one. The printer stops printing and sets the
251 corresponding state reason to allow Jane's Client device to discover the issue and display
252 an appropriate alert.

253 **3.2.8 Print Bed Temperature Out of Range**

254 While printing a 3D object, the print bed temperature goes out of the requested range. The
255 printer pauses printing until the temperature stabilizes and sets the corresponding state
256 reason to allow Jane's Client device to discover the issue and display an appropriate alert.

257 **3.2.9 Print Bed Not Clear**

258 When starting to print a 3D object, the Printer detects that the build platform is not
259 empty/clear. The Printer stops printing and sets the corresponding state reason to allow
260 Jane's Client device to discover the issue and display an appropriate alert. The Printer
261 starts printing once the build platform is cleared.

262 **3.3 Out of Scope**

263 The following are considered out of scope for this document:

- 264 1. Definition of new file formats; and
- 265 2. Support for Subtractive Manufacturing technologies such as CNC milling
266 machines.

267 **3.4 Design Requirements**

268 The design requirements for this document are:

- 269 1. Define attributes and values to describe supported and loaded (ready) materials
270 used for FDM; and
- 271 2. Define attributes and values to describe FDM printer capabilities and state

272 The design recommendations for this document are:

- 273 1. Support 3D printing technologies other than FDM

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275 4. Technical Solutions/Approaches

276 Current 3D printers offer limited connectivity and status monitoring capabilities. Many
277 printers simply read printer-ready files from SD memory cards, with all interaction and
278 status monitoring happening at the printer's console.

279 Makerbot Industries uses a proprietary protocol and file format that generalizes some
280 aspects of the interface between a host device and 3D printer. However, this solution is
281 highly specific to FDM printing and does not offer any spooling or security functionality.

282 Various other proprietary protocols and interfaces are also in use, typically based on the
283 USB serial protocol class for direct connection to a host device. And there are a number of
284 Cloud-based solutions emerging that utilize a proxy device that communicates with the
285 Cloud and 3D printer.

286 Given that the 3D printing industry and technologies are still undergoing a great deal of
287 change and development, certain aspects of 3D printing may be difficult or infeasible to
288 standardize. However, a stable, reliable, and secure interface between host device (IPP
289 Client) and 3D printer (IPP Printer) can be defined today in a way that allows for future
290 changes to be incorporated without difficulty.

291 4.1 High-Level Model

292 IPP [RFC2911], the IETF Printer MIB [RFC3805], and the IETF Finisher MIB [RFC3806]
293 already define a comprehensive model for the operation and data elements of a typical 2D
294 printer. The IPP Job processing model matches how 3D printers process Jobs and
295 Documents. However, more types of subunits are used in a 3D printer, requiring additions
296 to the model and state values. Table 1 lists the subunits of 3D printers for different
297 technologies.

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Table 1 - 3D Printer Subunits

Subunit	Technology	Reference
Build Platforms	All	<none>
Cameras	All	<none>
Cutters	SDL	RFC 3806
Doors	All	RFC 3805
Fans	FDM	<none>
Input Trays	SDL	RFC 3805
Lamps	DLP	<none>
Lasers	Laser Sintering, SL	<none>
Marker Supplies	All	RFC 3805
Markers (or Extruders)	Many	RFC 3805
Media Path	SDL	RFC 3805
Motors	All	<none>
Reservoirs	DLP, Laser Sintering, SL	<none>

299 4.1.1 Build Platforms

300 Build Platforms hold the printed object. The platform typically moves up or down during
301 printing as layers are applied, although in some cases it moves along all three axis.

302 4.1.2 Cameras

303 Cameras typically show the Build Platforms, offering a visual progress/status reporting for
304 remote users.

305 4.1.3 Cutters

306 Cutters are used to trim support material on printed objects and/or remove regions of
307 media that are not part of the final printed object.

308 4.1.4 Fans

309 Fans are used to cool printed material and maintain proper extruder and material
310 temperatures.

311 4.1.5 Lamps

312 Lamps are used by DLP printers to provide an ultraviolet light source for curing the liquid
313 material while printing a layer. Lamps are also used to illuminate the Build Platforms.

314 4.1.6 Lasers

315 Lasers are used by Laser Sintering and Stereo Lithography (SL) printers to fuse powdered
316 material or cure liquid material while printing a layer.

317 4.1.7 Markers (or Extruders)

318 Markers can be traditional subunits where an image is printed on sheets of paper (SDL),
319 extruders that place material onto the Build Platform or previous layer, or projectors that
320 display an inverse image on the surface of a liquid material (DLP).

321 4.1.8 Motors

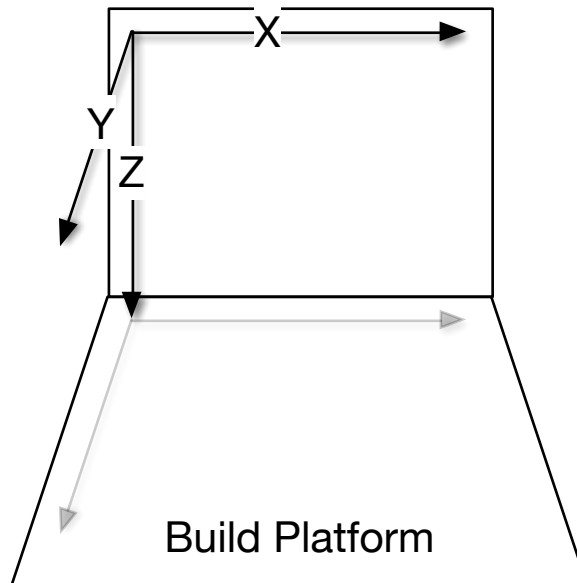
322 Motors are used to move the Build Platforms and (in some cases) move the Markers.

323 4.1.9 Reservoirs

324 Reservoirs hold liquid or powdered material used to create the printed object.

325 4.2 Coordinate System

326 3D printers operate in three dimensions and thus have three axis of movement. Figure 1
327 shows the coordinate system where the X axis represents the width of the object, the Y
328 axis represents the depth of the object, and the Z axis represents the height of the object.



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330 **Figure 1 - Typical Build Platform Coordinate System**

331 Filament usage by extrusion Printers is sometimes also modeled as an additional "E" axis,
332 e.g., E1 for the first filament, E2 for the second filament, etc.

333 4.3 Output Intent

334 As with 2D printing, the focus of 3D printing using IPP is specification of output intent and
335 not for process or device control. Clients can specify general material selections ("red
336 PLA", "brown wood PLA", "clear ABS", etc.), print speed and quality, build platform and
337 chamber temperatures, and whether supports and rafts should be printed. Printers then
338 use the implementation specific device control and (ordered) processes to satisfy the
339 Client-supplied output intent when processing the Job.

340 4.4 Cloud-Based Printing

341 Cloud-based printing can be supported by the existing IPP Shared Infrastructure
342 Extensions (INFRA) [PWG5100.18]. Infrastructure Printers might require additional
343 configuration or selection of drivers for the printer being configured, however that is outside
344 the scope of this white paper and can be considered a part of provisioning the Cloud
345 Service.

346 Snapshots of camera video can be uploaded as JPEG image resources using HTTP PUT
 347 requests from the Proxy to the Infrastructure Printer. Such resources need to be updated
 348 in an atomic fashion to allow Clients to safely poll for updates to the camera video.

349 5. New Attributes

350 5.1 Job Template Attributes

351 Table 2 lists the Job Template attributes and their corresponding “-default” and “-
 352 supported” attributes.

353 **Table 2 - Job Template Attributes**

Job Template	Printer: Default	Printer: Supported
materials-col (collection)	materials-col-default (1setOf collection)	materials-col-database (1setOf collection) materials-col-ready (1setOf collection) materials-col-supported (1setOf type2 keyword)
print-fill-density (integer(0:100))	print-fill-density-default (integer(0:100))	<none>
print-fill-thickness (integer(0:MAX))	print-fill-thickness-default (integer(0:MAX))	print-fill-thickness-supported (1setOf (integer(0:MAX) rangeOfInteger(0:MAX)))
print-layer-thickness (integer(0:MAX))	print-layer-thickness-default (integer(0:MAX))	print-layer-thickness-supported (1setOf (integer(0:MAX) rangeOfInteger(0:MAX)))
print-rafts (type2 keyword)	print-rafts-default (type2 keyword)	print-rafts-supported (1setOf type2 keyword)
print-shell-thickness (integer(0:MAX))	print-shell-thickness-default (integer(0:MAX))	print-shell-thickness-supported (1setOf (integer(0:MAX) rangeOfInteger(0:MAX)))
print-speed (integer(1:MAX))	print-speed-default (integer(1:MAX))	print-speed-supported (1setOf (integer(1:MAX) rangeOfInteger(1:MAX)))
print-supports (type2 keyword)	print-supports-default (type2 keyword)	print-supports-supported (1setOf type2 keyword)
printer-bed-temperature (integer no-value)	printer-bed-temperature-default (integer no-value)	printer-bed-temperature-supported (1setOf (integer rangeOfInteger) no-value)

Job Template	Printer: Default	Printer: Supported
printer-chamber-temperature (integer no-value)	printer-chamber-temperature-default (integer no-value)	printer-chamber-temperature-supported (1setOf (integer rangeOfInteger) no-value)
printer-fan-speed (integer(0:100))	printer-fan-speed-default (integer(0:100))	printer-fan-speed-supported (boolean)

354 **5.1.1 materials-col (1setOf collection)**

355 This Job Template attribute defines the materials to be used for the Job. When specified,
356 the Printer validates the requested materials both when the Job is created and when it
357 enters the 'processing' state. If the requested materials are not loaded, the 'material-
358 needed' keyword is added to the Printer's "printer-state-reasons" values and the Job is
359 placed in the 'processing-stopped' state.

360 The Client typically supplies "materials-col" values matching those returned in the
361 "materials-col-database" (section 5.2.1) or "materials-col-ready" (section 5.2.3) Printer
362 Description attributes.

363 **5.1.1.1 material-color (type2 keyword)**

364 This member attribute provides a PWG media color value representing the color of the
365 material.

366 **5.1.1.2 material-key (keyword)**

367 This member attribute provides an unlocalized name of the material that can be localized
368 using the strings file referenced by the "printer-strings-uri" Printer attribute.

369 **5.1.1.3 material-name (name(MAX))**

370 This member attribute provides a localized name of the material.

371 **5.1.1.4 material-type (type2 keyword)**

372 This member attribute specifies the type of material. The keyword consists of a material
373 name ('abs', 'pla', 'pla-flexible', etc.) and form ('filament', 'liquid', 'powder', etc.) separated
374 by an underscore. Material names and forms cannot contain the underscore (_) character,
375 which is reserved as a separator in the keyword value. Values include:

376 'abs_filament': Acrylonitrile Butadiene Styrene (ABS) filament.

377 'abs-carbon-fiber_filament': ABS filament reinforced with carbon fibers.

378 'abs-carbon-nanotube_filament': ABS filament reinforced with carbon nanotubes.

379 'chocolate_powder': Chocolate powder.

- 380 'gold_powder': Gold (metal) powder.
- 381 'nylon_filament': Nylon filament.
- 382 'pet_filament': Polyethylene terephthalate (PET) filament.
- 383 'photopolymer-resin_liquid': Photopolymer (liquid) resin.
- 384 'pla_filament': Polylactic Acid (PLA) filament.
- 385 'pla-conductive_filament': Conductive PLA filament.
- 386 'pla-dissolvable_filament': Dissolvable PLA filament.
- 387 'pla-flexible_filament': Flexible PLA filament.
- 388 'pla-magnetic_filament': PLA with embedded iron particles.
- 389 'pla-steel-filament': PLA with embedded steel particles.
- 390 'pla-stone_filament': PLA filament with embedded stone chips.
- 391 'pla-wood_filament': PLA filament with embedded wood fibers.
- 392 'polycarbonate_filament': Polycarbonate filament.
- 393 'silver_powder': Silver (metal) powder.
- 394 'titanium_powder': Titanium (metal) powder.
- 395 'wax_solid': Solid wax.

396 **5.1.1.5 material-use (1setOf type2 keyword)**

397 This member attribute specifies what the material will be used for. Values include:

- 398 'all': The material will be used for all parts of the printed object.
- 399 'in-fill': The material will be used to fill the interior of the printed object.
- 400 'raft': The material will be used to print a raft under the printed object.
- 401 'shell': The material will be used for the surface of the printed object.
- 402 'support': The material will be used to support the printed object.

403 **5.1.2 print-fill-density (integer(0:100))**

404 This Job Template attribute specifies the in-fill density of interior regions in percent.

405 5.1.3 print-fill-thickness (integer(0:MAX))

406 This Job Template attribute specifies the thickness of any in-fill walls in nanometers, with 0
407 representing the thinnest possible walls.

408 [Editor's note: One comment requested speed/layer thickness attributes for in-fill, shells,
409 and supports.]

410 5.1.4 print-layer-thickness (integer(0:MAX))

411 This Job Template attribute specifies the thickness of each layer in nanometers, with 0
412 representing the thinnest possible layers.

413 5.1.5 print-rafts (type2 keyword)

414 This Job Template attribute specifies whether to print brims, rafts, or skirts under the
415 object. Values include:

416 'none': Do not print brims, rafts, or skirts.

417 'brim': Print brims using the 'raft' material specified for the Job.

418 'raft': Print rafts using the 'raft' material specified for the Job.

419 'skirt': Print skirts using the 'raft' material specified for the Job.

420 'standard': Print brims, rafts, and/or skirts using implementation-defined default
421 parameters.

422 5.1.6 print-shell-thickness (integer(0:MAX))

423 This Job Template attribute specifies the thickness of exterior walls in nanometers, with 0
424 representing the thinnest possible wall.

425 5.1.7 print-speed (integer(1:MAX))

426 This Job Template attribute specifies the printing speed in nanometers per second.

427 5.1.8 print-supports (type2 keyword)

428 This Job Template attribute specifies whether to print supports under the object. Values
429 include:

430 'none': Do not print supports.

431 'standard': Print supports using implementation-defined default parameters.

432 'material': Print supports using the 'support' material specified for the Job.

433 5.1.9 printer-bed-temperature (integer | no-value)

434 This Job Template attribute specifies the desired Build Platform temperature in degrees
435 Celsius. The 'no-value' value is used to disable temperature control on the Build Platform.

436 5.1.10 printer-chamber-temperature (integer | no-value)

437 This Job Template attribute specifies the desired print chamber temperature in degrees
438 Celsius. The 'no-value' value is used to disable temperature control in the print chamber.

439 5.1.11 printer-fan-speed (integer(0:100))

440 This Job Template attribute specifies the desired fan speed in percent of maximum. A
441 value of 0 turns the fans off during printing.

442 5.2 Printer Description Attributes**443 5.2.1 materials-col-database (1setOf collection)**

444 This Printer Description attribute lists the pre-configured materials for the Printer. Each
445 value contains the corresponding "materials-col" member attributes and will typically reflect
446 vendor and site ("third party") materials that are supported by the Printer.

447 5.2.2 materials-col-default (1setOf collection)

448 This Printer Description attribute lists the default materials that will be used if the
449 "materials-col" Job Template attribute is not specified.

450 5.2.3 materials-col-ready (1setOf collection)

451 This Printer Description attribute lists the materials that have been loaded into the Printer.
452 Each value contains the corresponding "materials-col" member attributes.

453 5.2.4 materials-col-supported (1setOf type2 keyword)

454 This Printer Description attribute lists the "materials-col" member attributes that are
455 supported by the Printer.

456 5.2.5 material-type-supported (1setOf type2 keyword)

457 This Printer Description attribute lists the supported "material-type" values for the Printer.

458 5.2.6 material-use-supported (1setOf type2 keyword)

459 This Printer Description attribute lists the supported "material-use" values for the Printer.

460 **5.2.7 print-fill-density-default (integer(0:100))**

461 This Printer Description attribute specifies the default "print-fill-density" value in percent.

462 **5.2.8 print-fill-thickness-default (integer(0:MAX))**

463 This Printer Description attribute specifies the default "print-fill-thickness" value in
464 nanometers.

465 **5.2.9 print-fill-thickness-supported (1setOf (integer(0:MAX) |
466 rangeOfInteger(0:MAX)))**

467 This Printer Description attribute lists the supported "print-fill-thickness" values (or ranges
468 of values) in nanometers.

469 **5.2.10 print-layer-order (type1 keyword)**

470 This Printer Description attribute specifies the order of layers when printing, either 'top-to-
471 bottom' or 'bottom-to-top'.

472 **5.2.11 print-layer-thickness-default (integer(0:MAX))**

473 This Printer Description attribute specifies the default "print-layer-thickness" value in
474 nanometers.

475 **5.2.12 print-layer-thickness-supported (1setOf (integer(0:MAX) |
476 rangeOfInteger(0:MAX)))**

477 This Printer Description attribute lists the supported values (or ranges of values) for the
478 "print-layer-thickness" Job Template attribute.

479 **5.2.13 print-rafts-default (type2 keyword)**

480 This Printer Description attribute specifies the default "print-rafts" value.

481 **5.2.14 print-rafts-supported (1setOf type2 keyword)**

482 This Printer Description attribute lists the supported "print-rafts" values.

483 **5.2.15 print-shell-thickness-default (integer(0:MAX))**

484 This Printer Description attribute specifies the default "print-shell-thickness" value in
485 nanometers.

486 **5.2.16 print-shell-thickness-supported (1setOf (integer(0:MAX) |**
487 **rangeOfInteger(0:MAX)))**

488 This Printer Description attribute lists the supported "print-shell-thickness" values (or
489 ranges of values) in nanometers.

490 **5.2.17 print-speed-default (integer(1:MAX))**

491 This Printer Description attribute lists the default "print-speed" value in nanometers per
492 second.

493 **5.2.18 print-speed-supported (1setOf (integer(1:MAX) | rangeOfInteger(1:MAX)))**

494 This Printer Description attribute lists the supported "print-speed" values (or ranges of
495 values) in nanometers per second.

496 **5.2.19 print-supports-default (type2 keyword)**

497 This Printer Description attribute specifies the default "print-supports" value.

498 **5.2.20 print-supports-supported (1setOf type2 keyword)**

499 This Printer Description attribute lists the supported "print-supports" values.

500 **5.2.21 printer-accuracy-supported (collection)**

501 This Printer Description attribute specifies the absolute accuracy of the Printer. The "x-
502 accuracy (integer(1:MAX))", "y-accuracy (integer(1:MAX))", and "z-accuracy
503 (integer(1:MAX))" member attributes specify the accuracy in nanometers along each axis.

504 **5.2.22 printer-bed-temperature-default (integer | no-value)**

505 This Printer Description attribute specifies the default "printer-bed-temperature" value in
506 degrees Celsius.

507 **5.2.23 printer-bed-temperature-supported (1setOf (integer | rangeOfInteger) | no-**
508 **value)**

509 This Printer Description attribute lists the supported "printer-bed-temperature" values (or
510 ranges of values) in degrees Celsius. The out-of-band 'no-value' value specifies that the
511 Printer does not offer temperature control of the build platform.

512 **5.2.24 printer-camera-image-uri (1setOf uri)**

513 This Printer Description attribute lists the URIs for one or more resident camera snapshots.
514 Each URI corresponds to a separate resident camera. The images referenced by each
515 URI can change at any time so it is up to the Client to periodically poll for changes and for
516 the Printer to atomically update the images so that Clients can safely do so.

517 5.2.25 printer-chamber-temperature-default (integer | no-value)

518 This Printer Description attribute specifies the default "printer-chamber-temperature" value
519 in degrees Celsius.

**520 5.2.26 printer-chamber-temperature-supported (1setOf (integer | rangeOfInteger) |
521 no-value)**

522 This Printer Description attribute lists the supported "printer-chamber-temperature" values
523 (or ranges of values) in degrees Celsius. The out-of-band 'no-value' value specifies that
524 the Printer does not offer temperature control of the print chamber.

525 5.2.27 printer-fan-speed-default (integer(0:MAX))

526 This Printer Description attribute specifies the default "printer-fan-speed" value in percent.

527 5.2.28 printer-fan-speed-supported (boolean)

528 This Printer Description attribute specifies whether the "printer-fan-speed" Job Template
529 attribute is supported.

530 5.2.29 printer-head-temperature-supported (1setOf (integer | rangeOfInteger))

531 This Printer Description attribute specifies the supported "printer-head-temperature" values
532 (or ranges of values) in degrees Celsius.

533 5.2.30 printer-volume-supported (collection)

534 This Printer Description attribute specifies the maximum build volume supported by the
535 Printer. The "x-dimension (integer(1:MAX))", "y-dimension (integer(1:MAX))", and "z-
536 dimension (integer(1:MAX))" member attributes specify the size in millimeters along each
537 axis.

538 5.3 Printer Status Attributes**539 5.3.1 printer-bed-temperature-current (integer | no-value)**

540 This Printer Status attribute provides the current Build Platform temperature in degrees
541 Celsius. If the Build Platform is not temperature controlled, the 'no-value' value is returned.

542 5.3.2 printer-chamber-temperature-current (integer | no-value)

543 This Printer Status attribute provides the current print chamber temperature in degrees
544 Celsius. If the print chamber is not temperature controlled, the 'no-value' value is returned.

545 5.3.3 printer-fan-speed-current (integer(0:100))

546 This Printer Status attribute provides the current fan speed in percent.

547 **5.3.4 printer-head-temperature-current (1setOf (integer | no-value))**

548 This Printer Status attribute provides the current extruder head temperatures in degrees
549 Celsius. The 'no-value' value is returned when the extruder head is not temperature
550 controlled. [Editor's note: Do we need this if we are not specifying material temperature?]

551 **5.4 Other Potential Attributes**

552 Based on existing 3D printer software, the following parameters could also be candidates
553 for standardization:

- 554 1. Initial layer thickness in nanometers
- 555 2. Initial layer line width in percent
- 556 3. Dual extrusion overlap in nanometers
- 557 4. Travel speed in nanometers per second
- 558 5. Bottom layer speed in nanometers per second
- 559 6. Infill speed in nanometers per second
- 560 7. Outer shell speed in nanometers per second
- 561 8. Inner shell speed in nanometers per second
- 562 9. Minimum layer time in seconds or milliseconds

563 **6. New Values for Existing Attributes**

564 **6.1 ipp-features-supported (1setOf type2 keyword)**

565 This document suggests (but does not register) the new value 'ipp-3d'.

566 **6.2 printer-state-reasons (1setOf type2 keyword)**

567 This document suggests (but does not register) the following new values:

568 'camera-failure': A camera is no longer working.

569 'cutter-at-eol': A cutter has reached its end-of-life and will need to be replaced soon.

570 'cutter-failure': A cutter has failed.

571 'cutter-near-eol': A cutter is near its end-of-life and may need to be replaced soon.

572 'extruder-failure': An extruder has failed and requires maintenance or replacement.

573 'extruder-jam': An extruder is jammed or clogged.

574 'fan-failure': A fan has failed.

575 'lamp-at-eol': A lamp has reached its end-of-life and will need to be replaced soon.

576 'lamp-failure': A lamp has failed.

577 'lamp-near-eol': A lamp is near its end-of-life and may need to be replaced soon.

578 'laser-at-eol': A laser has reached its end-of-life and will need to be replaced soon.

579 'laser-failure': A laser has failed.

580 'laser-near-eol': A laser is near its end-of-life and may need to be replaced soon.

581 'material-empty': One or more build materials have been exhausted.

582 'material-low': One or more build materials may need replenishment soon.

583 'material-needed': One or more build materials need to be loaded for a processing
584 Job.

585 'motor-failure': A motor has failed.

586 'reservoir-empty': One or more reservoirs are empty.

587 'reservoir-low': One or more reservoirs are almost empty.

588 'reservoir-needed': One or more reservoirs are empty but need to be filled for a
589 processing Job.

590 **7. Object Definition Languages (ODLs)**

591 This section provides information on several commonly used ODLs with either existing
592 (registered) or suggested MIME media types.

593 **7.1 Additive Manufacturing Format (AMF)**

594 AMF [ISO52915] is a relatively new format that was designed as a replacement for the
595 Standard Tessellation Language (STL). Its use has been hampered by the lack of a freely-
596 available specification, but has several advantages over STL including:

- 597 1. Shared vertices which eliminates holes and other breaks in the surface
598 geometry of objects,
- 599 2. Specification of multiple materials in a single file,
- 600 3. Curved surfaces can be specified, and
- 601 4. Coordinates use explicit units for proper output dimensions.

602 The suggested (but not registered) MIME media type is model/amf.

603 7.2 Standard Tessellation Language (STL)

604 STL [STLFORMAT] is widely supported by existing client software. The registered MIME
605 media type is 'application/sla'.

606 8. Internationalization Considerations

607 For interoperability and basic support for multiple languages, conforming implementations
608 MUST support:

- 609 5. The Universal Character Set (UCS) Transformation Format -- 8 bit (UTF-8)
610 [STD63] encoding of Unicode [UNICODE] [ISO10646]; and
- 611 6. The Unicode Format for Network Interchange [RFC5198] which requires
612 transmission of well-formed UTF-8 strings and recommends transmission of
613 normalized UTF-8 strings in Normalization Form C (NFC) [UAX15].

614 Unicode NFC is defined as the result of performing Canonical Decomposition (into base
615 characters and combining marks) followed by Canonical Composition (into canonical
616 composed characters wherever Unicode has assigned them).

617 WARNING – Performing normalization on UTF-8 strings received from IPP Clients and
618 subsequently storing the results (e.g., in IPP Job objects) could cause false negatives in
619 IPP Client searches and failed access (e.g., to IPP Printers with percent-encoded UTF-8
620 URIs now 'hidden').

621 Implementations of this document SHOULD conform to the following standards on
622 processing of human-readable Unicode text strings, see:

623 Unicode Bidirectional Algorithm [UAX9] – left-to-right, right-to-left, and vertical

624 Unicode Line Breaking Algorithm [UAX14] – character classes and wrapping

625 Unicode Normalization Forms [UAX15] – especially NFC for [RFC5198]

626 Unicode Text Segmentation [UAX29] – grapheme clusters, words, sentences

627 Unicode Identifier and Pattern Syntax [UAX31] – identifier use and normalization

628 Unicode Character Encoding Model [UTR17] – multi-layer character model

629 Unicode in XML and other Markup Languages [UTR20] – XML usage

630 Unicode Character Property Model [UTR23] – character properties

631 Unicode Conformance Model [UTR33] – Unicode conformance basis+

632 Unicode Collation Algorithm [UTS10] – sorting

633 Unicode Locale Data Markup Language [UTS35] – locale databases

634 **9. Security Considerations**

635 In addition to the security considerations described in the IPP/1.1: Model and Semantics
636 [RFC2911], the following sub-sections describe issues that are unique to 3D printing.

637 Implementations of this specification SHOULD conform to the following standards on
638 processing of human-readable Unicode text strings, see:

639 Unicode Security Mechanisms [UTS39] – detecting and avoiding security attacks

640 Unicode Security FAQ [UNISECFAQ] – common Unicode security issues

641 **9.1 Access Control**

642 Because of the potential for abuse and misuse, Printers SHOULD provide access control
643 mechanisms including lists of allowed Clients, authentication, and authorization to site
644 defined policies.

645 **9.2 Physical Safety**

646 Printers MUST NOT allow Clients to disable physical safety features of the hardware, such
647 as protective gates, covers, or interlocks.

648 **9.3 Material Safety**

649 Printers MUST restrict usage and combination of materials to those that can be safely
650 printed. Access controls (section 9.1) MAY be used to allow authorized users to
651 experiment with untested materials or combinations, but only when such materials or
652 combinations can reasonably be expected to not pose a safety risk.

653 **9.4 Temperature Control**

654 Printers MUST validate temperature and fan speed values provided by Clients and limit
655 material, extruder, build platform, and print chamber temperatures within designed limits to
656 prevent unsafe operating conditions, damage to the hardware, explosions, and/or fires.

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- 738 3. Section 2.2: Added ODL acronym
- 739 4. Table 1: Added reference column
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- 742 6. Section 4.x: Added sub-section on output intent.
- 743 7. Section 5.1: Added table listing Job Template and corresponding -default and -
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- 747 9. Section 5.1.1.5: Made material-use 1setOf, added 'all' value.
- 748 10. Updated printer-bed-temperature-supported and printer-chamber-temperature-
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- 750 11. Section 9.x: Added subsections on specific 3D printing security considerations.

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- 752 1. Dropped all references to X3G and G-code.
- 753 2. Reworked materials-col to specify materials but not temperatures and other
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- 755 3. Added “material-use” member attribute to assign materials to specific uses.
- 756 4. Supports and rafts pick materials based on “material-use” values and not
- 757 indices.
- 758 5. Added reference to IPP INFRA
- 759 6. Added printer-camera-image-uri Printer Description attribute.

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- 761 1. Updated front matter to incorporate new IEEE-ISTO boilerplate for a contributed
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- 764 1. Updated front matter to remove IEEE-ISTO boilerplate.
- 765 2. Fixed various typos
- 766 3. Clarified that SLC files are commonly known as STL files.
- 767 4. Clarified that S3G is a binary version of G-code with a standard packet format.
- 768 5. Added use case for printing with loaded materials
- 769 6. Added use case for multi-material printing on a single material printer.

- 770 7. Added use case for monitoring print progress visually with a web cam.
- 771 8. Added exception for "skipping" (insufficient material flow/feed)
- 772 9. Added exception for adhesion issues
- 773 10. Added exception for build plate being full.
- 774 11. Added exception for head movement issues.
- 775 12. Added figure showing the typical coordinate system.
- 776 13. Expanded Job Template and Printer Description details, added comments for
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- 778 14. Added new Unicode considerations and references.

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