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Topic: lseek and the "gap" **Relevant Sections:** 6.5.3.2 P 162, Line 578 PASC

"in the gap" is not well defined; it needs a definition to assure that there is no future disagreement on the meaning. (The problem is that "gap" is the sort of word you'd expect to have a defined meaning, and it doesn't. In the absence of a defined meaning, the reader is left to guess.)

"In the region of the file not actually written." seems OK. This appears to be ordinary english.

Interpretation Response

The standard is clear, and the term is well understood as part of the English language. No change is required.

Rationale for Interpretation

None. Forwarded to Interpretations group: 19 June 2000 Proposed resolution: 25 July 2000 Finalised Interpretation: 29 August 2000