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The following are a non-exhaustive list of configuration management (CM) issues for the JTC1 electronic document interchange format:

- The version of DOS or Mac operating system.
- The version of MS-Windows.
- The version of RTF.
- The version of Wordperfect.
- The version of the Wordperfect file format.
- The version of the memory manager.
- How much memory (RAM) is available.
- The version of the CPU (e.g., 80386, 80486, etc.).
- The video driver.
- The resolution of the monitor.
- The graphics format for embedded graphics.
- The version of the graphics file format.
- The version of the printer driver.
- The choice of fonts.
- Which font manager is in use (e.g., Adobe Type Manager).
- Which macros are being used.
- What language keyboard is in use.
- The locale.
- Which filesystem is in use (FAT, HPFS, NTFS, UNIX, BSD, etc.).
- The binary conversion tool (for transmitting documents via E-mail).
- The compression utility.

Much more discussion, testing, public review, and balloting are required before JTC1's scheme becomes practical.