As a technology business owner and general consumer I find Lexmark's assertion and position to be threatening and incorrect. The DMCA was created to address stealing copyrighted works and other intellectual material. When I purchase a CD the physical disk is mine, the content is not. That is because in effect purchasing a CD is purchasing a license to listen to the copyrighted works. When I purchase a printer, which of course does have patented and copyrighted technology in it, I should be able to disassmle, reassemble or do what I wish to that product. That includes replacing parts with any replacement part I deem necessary. When a person purchases a Ford automobile, which uses many patented technologies, does that person have to purchase Ford brand sparkplugs? Of course not. The DMCA does not apply to physical objects that people buy, rather content people license.

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