# IEEE 802.3 Ethernet Working Group July Plenary Report 16 November 2007

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# P802.3ar Congestion Management

- Remains stalemated by 802.3 failing to approve modified project documents
- Short meeting scheduled to discuss status
  - No one came to the meeting except the Acting Chair

### P802.3at DTE Power Enhancements

- TF review of draft continues
  - Some significant technical issues continue to lack consensus and generate significant comment volume
- Objective to restrict maximum delivered power to only apply to 25Ω cabling passed in TF but was tabled during WG discussion
- Ad hoc teleconferences will continue to be held on Channel and Transformers, 350 µH and data link layer
- Clause 33 maintenance items are included in draft
- Next meeting in Portland, Oregon, USA week of 21 January 2008 (days TBD)
  - Continue to work toward technically complete draft

### **P802.3av 10Gb/s EPON**

- Broad range of technical presentations considered
  - Wavelengths for various PMDs
  - Channel model
  - Testing and measurement
- Adopted initial draft for TF review
  - Comments on editor's draft considered
  - Some details remain TBD
- Next meeting in Portland, Oregon, USA 22-24 January 2008
  - Continue to work toward technically complete draft

## **IEEE Std 802.3 Revision**

- The revision is composed of two projects
  - P802.1AX (802.3ax) extracts clause 43 Link Aggregation into an independent standard to be handed off to 802.1 upon approval
  - P802.3REV (802.3ay) merge of amendments, corrigenda and maintenance changes
  - Both projects were in initial Sponsor ballot throughout the meeting week
- Plan for handling MIBs developed (now that IETF will no longer be doing them)
  - Add requirement to address SNMP MIB development to 802.3 Five Criteria
  - Place SNMP and GDMO MIBs in a new 802.3.1 standard
- Next meeting in Portland, Oregon, USA, 21 January 2008
  - Resolve initial Sponsor ballot comments
  - Time allowing refine plans for 802.3.1 MIB standard

# P802.3az Energy-Efficient Ethernet

- Task Force was organized
  - Mike Bennett was confirmed as TF Chair
  - Target schedule proposed
- Proposed baseline technologies and background presentations considered
  - Subset PHYs alternatives for speed switching
  - Active/Idle toggling and network energy efficiency
  - Control policy and relationship to 802.1, feedback from 802.1 presented at closing 802.3 plenary
  - Process requirements and recommendations
- Next meeting in Portland, Oregon, USA 22-24 January 2008
  - Consider proposals as baseline for initial draft

# **Higher Speed Ethernet SG**

- P802.3ba five criteria and PAR approved by LMSC Executive Committee (approved in July by 802.3)
  - PAR will be considered by IEEE-SA Standards Board in December
- Lots of presentation to consider while awaiting PAR approval
  - Many proposals for baseline technology (selection not possible until PAR approval)
  - Volume of presentations required split into optical and copper tracks during part of TF time
- Next meeting in Portland, Oregon, USA 22-24 January 2008
  - Anticipate organization of P802.3ba task force
  - Continue evaluation of baseline technology proposals

# **Working Group information**

- Web site www.ieee802.org/3
- WG and TF documents on web site
  - Presentations
  - Minutes
  - Reflector subscription information
  - Rules, etc.
- Interim TF and SG meeting details will be posted on web site
  - All TFs (except P802.3ar) will meet in Portland, Oregon, USA the week of 21 January 2008 (check schedule on web site for each group's meeting days)
  - Next WG plenary session, 17-20 March, Orlando, Florida, USA
  - Future interims in Germany and China endorsed by WG