## IEEE P802.11 Wireless LANs

## **Letter Ballot 15**

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This is an IEEE P802.11 letter ballot. Please return this page by fax or by e-mail after filling in your name and vote.:

Warning: Voting members have an obligation to vote.

Not returning two ballots in a sequence of 3 letter ballots will automatically terminate voting rights.

"No" votes require the submission of detailed comments as defined in the IEEE rules for Sponsor Ballots. See the next page for further details.

Comments are requested in the format given in the ballot instructions document in the zip file on the server at URL:

http://grouper.ieee.org/groups/802/11/private/Draft-Standards/P80211b-Draft1.0r.zip

Date of ballot: September 30, 1998

Closure of ballot: Monday, November 9, 1998, 01.00 UTC

**Ballot return** 

From (name of voter): \_\_\_\_\_\_1

Voting member:  $Yes/No^2$ 

Motion number	Subject	Yes <sup>3</sup>	No <sup>4</sup>	Abst ain <sup>5</sup>
1	To approve the contents of document IEEE 802.11b/D1 for submission to Sponsor Ballot			

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Fill in your name

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Strike the wrong one (refer to doc.: 98/346 for status)

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Mark to give your vote

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> No votes require comments to instruct the group how they can resolve your No vote. Refer to doc.: 98/346 for instructions of how to submit the comments.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> Only counted as a valid vote if marked "lack of expertise"

The following is a quote from the IEEE Standards Operations Guide.

The ballot shall provide three choices:

- a) Approve (Affirmative). This vote may be accompanied by comments suggesting corrections and improvements. Action on such comments is left to the discretion of the Sponsor.
- b) Do Not Approve (Negative). This vote shall be accompanied by specific reasons in sufficient detail so that the specific wording of the changes that will cause the negative voter to change his or her vote to "approve" can readily be determined. The Sponsor shall obtain written confirmation from each voter that indicates concurrence with any change of his or her vote. Written confirmation can be by letter, fax, or electronic mail. In the absence of reasons for a negative vote, the ballot shall, after a follow-up inquiry, be classified as "no response."
- c) Abstain. This category is provided to allow for ballot returns from members who do not wish to review the document because of conflict of interest, lack of expertise, or other reasons. A reason shall be given for this vote; otherwise, the ballot shall be classified as "no response."

Read for "Sponsor": "Working Group".

## Valid Ballot

To qualify as a valid Working Group Letter Ballot, 50 % of the Voting Members must have returned their vote.

If 50 % of the Voting Members have returned their ballots at the announced closing date, the ballot closes. Ballot forms received after closure do not count towards the result of the ballot and no credit is given towards voting right maintenance. However, comments may be addressed at Working Group's discretion or ballot resolution group's discretion., but.

If the 50 % returns is not achieved at the announced closing date, the ballot will close at the time 50 % of the Voting Members have returned their ballot.

## **Ballot result**

This is a technical motion: from the Voting Members voting "Yes" or "No", 75 % need to vote yes in order for this motion to pass.

All comments accompanying votes within the time the ballot is open, must be addressed, even if they are from others than Voting Members.

In case the ballot closes with less than 75 % approval, and the comment resolution group can not change sufficient No-votes to Yes-votes (confirmed in writing) to reach the 75 % boundary, the motion fails

The Executive Committee requires the highest level of consensus. So after passing the ballot with at least 75 %, but not yet 100 %, the Working Group will decide whether a Recirculation Ballot will be conducted or whether the draft is submitted to the Executive Committee. Comments accompanying NO votes will be submitted with the reason the Working Group could not accept the comment.

In a recirculation Ballot, No-votes can only be given on text changed in the last draft, on text related to such text or in support of not accepted No-vote comments. By making the recirculation ballot a default ballot, all Yes-votes are assumed to remain Yes-votes; the Voting Members having a record of voting yes do not need to submit a vote, the yes vote remains valid. Those hat voted No have a chance to vote yes now.