Dear Roger,

The WiMAX Forum Service Provider Working Group has discussed the topic of operator ID and has arrived at a solution that accommodates the needs of different types of operators planning to deploy networks based on 802.16/WiMAX. This solution is described in contribution IEEE C802.16-06/012 "Proposal for Allocation of IEEE 802.16 Operator ID" co-authored by key people involved in the discussion. The WiMAX Forum recommends the proposed format in the contribution.

We trust that the proposed format will be accepted and that a process for allocating the IDs will be set up in a timely manner, preferably by the end of 2006. We appreciate the efforts of IEEE 802.16 towards this objective.

With respect to the logistics of the ID allocation, the application fee should be kept as low as possible.

Best regards,

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