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1 Introduction

Signalling exchange between Femtocell and Macrocell ABSs over-the-air has many advantages. It is supported in the current SDD [1] and has been also adopted in the IEEE P802.16m/D3.

The features that need to use the signalling exchange between femtocell and macrocell ABSs over-the-air are listed as follows:

- Synchronization: A Femtocell ABS can synchronize with the network by scanning the A-Preamble transmitted by a macrocell ABS. (Section 16.4.6)
- Initial Ranging: A femtocell ABS can perform ranging over-the-air in addition to its other initialization procedure over the backhal. The messages transmitted over-the-air are AAI_RNG-REQ, AAI_RNG-RSP and AAI_RNG-ACK. (Section 16.4.5.1)
- Interference Mitigation: The D3 states that “The serving ABS and/or the network may request the interfering Femto ABS to mitigate the interference by reducing transmission power, and/or blocking some resource region.” (Section 16.4.11) Transmitting signaling over-the-air leads to quick response to interference conditions, compared to that of its backhaul counterpart.
- Neighbor Advertisement: Both macrocell and femtocell ABSs can broadcast AA_NBR-ADV to perform neighbor advertisement. (Section 16.4.8.1.1)
- AMS scanning of neighbor Femto ABSs: It states that “an overlapped Macro ABS may recommend CSG Femto ABS to monitor UL signaling of accessible AMS which is served by the Macro ABS. A CSG Femto ABS can monitor the ranging preamble at the dedicated ranging slot of Macro ABS. When the received signaling quality (e.g RSSI) of an AMS is stronger than a threshold, CSG Femto ABS can request overlapped Macro ABS to send unsolicited AAI_SCN-RSP for the AMS to scan the CSG Femto ABS.” (Section 16.4.8.1.2)

In this contribution, we propose the text to support signalling exchange between Femtocell and Macrocell BSs over-the-air in AWD to clarify the general description of Section 16.4 “Support for Femto ABS”.

2 Proposed Text

[Insert text in subclause 16.4.1 as follows]

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16.4 Support for Femto ABS

16.4.1 General Description

A Femto ABS is an ABS with low transmit power, typically installed by a subscriber in the home or SOHO to provide the access to closed or open group of users as configured by the subscriber and/or the access provider. A Femto ABS is typically connected to the service provider's network via one or multiple wired and/or wireless broadband connection, e.g., Cable, DSL, Wireless-OFDMA reference systems, Advanced WirelessMAN-OFDMA systems, etc. [The femtocell BSs may communicate with the overlapped macrocell BS for exchanging signalling/control messages over the air-interface.](#)

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References

[1] IEEE 802.16m-09/0034r2, "IEEE 802.16m System Description Document (SDD)"