



IEEE 802.17 Resilient Packet Ring WG

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- Process
 - Rules and Procedures
- Consensus
 - Near unanimity
- Openness
 - Everyone has Access to Process
 - Individuals, World-wide
- Balance
 - Balloting group must include developers and users
- Right to Appeal
 - Both procedural and technical anytime during the process



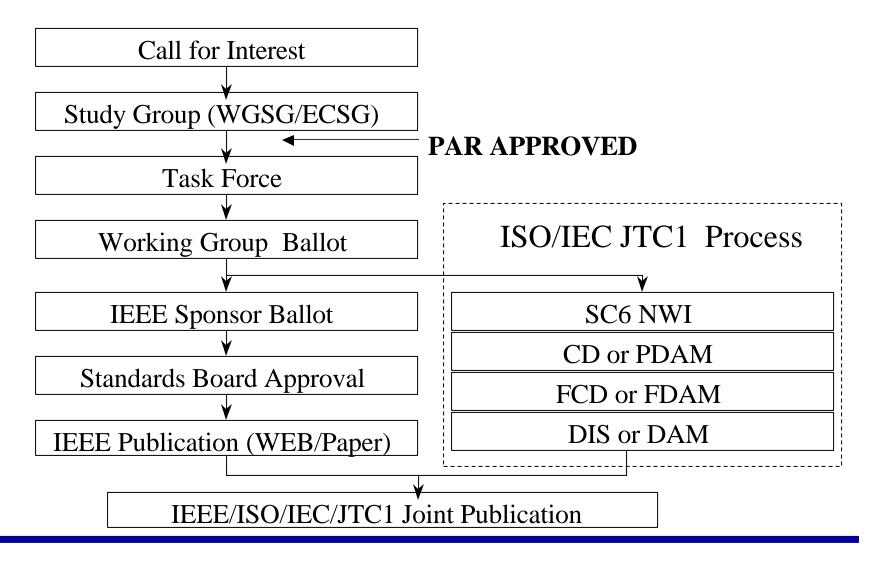






IEEE 802 Standards Process







IEEE 802.17 (RPR) WG



- New 802 Project approved by IEEE Standards
 Board on Dec. 7, 2000 as IEEE 802.17 Resilient
 Packet Ring Working Group
- The Resilient Packet Ring Working Group will define a Resilient Packet Ring Access Protocol for use in Local, Metropolitan and Wide Area Networks for transfer of data packets at rates scalable to many gigabits per second.
- The project will use existing Physical Layer specifications and may develop new PHYs where appropriate.



RPRWG Membership



- Anyone can participate in the working group
 - Individuals who feel they have the technical competence to create a standard
 - IEEE membership is not required but any meeting fee must be paid
 - Voting rights acquired by attending 2 meetings (one must be a plenary) of the last 4 sessions
 - Voting rights maintained by attending 2 meetings (one must be a plenary) of the last 4 sessions



What is RPR



- A layered technology designed for metro transport
- Shared ring technology with spatial reuse
- Offers carrier class ring protection and resiliency for packet switched networks
- Dual Counter Rotating Rings
 - No reserved protection BW
 - Both rings carry traffic all of the time
- Destination Stripping of variable length uni-cast packets
 - Spatial re-use increases BW efficiency of ring



What is RPR ...

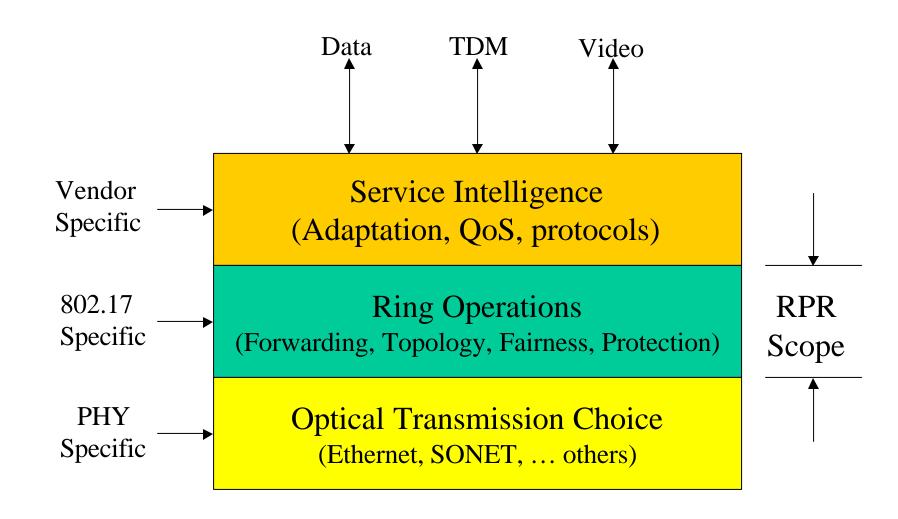


- Media Independence
 - Scalable in bit-rate, # nodes, span distance
 - OC-48c & OC-192c SONET/SDH
 - 1Gb/s & 10 Gb/s Ethernet
- Source Stripping of variable length broadcast and multi-cast packets
- Controlled dynamic BW sharing on the ring:
 - No wasted BW due to pre-allocation
- Ring protection and fast restoration (<50ms)
- Support for multiple classes of service
- Support of large MTU (9216 Bytes) is being debated



RPR Scope







RPR != Ethernet



- RPR is a new MAC and will not talk to an Ethernet MAC
- RPR will be capable of using Ethernet PHY
 - Minimize development time
 - Ride the volume / cost curve



Bridging vs. Routing



- IEEE 802 requires that any 802 standard implement 802.1D bridging and & 802.1Q VLANs
- Members of RPRWG expect to see both bridging and routing used in networks deploying the 802.17 standard
- A working relationship with IPoRPR will provide input to the WG to insure that requirements for routed systems will be taken into account



Framework



The working group agreed on a framework for developing candidate drafts of the standard by the fall of 2001, and have committed to creating substantial text in the next two months covering the twelve areas of:

- 1) Resiliency and Protection
- 2) RPR Frame Format
- 3) Topology Discovery Mechanisms
- 4) Physical Layer Reconciliation



Framework ...

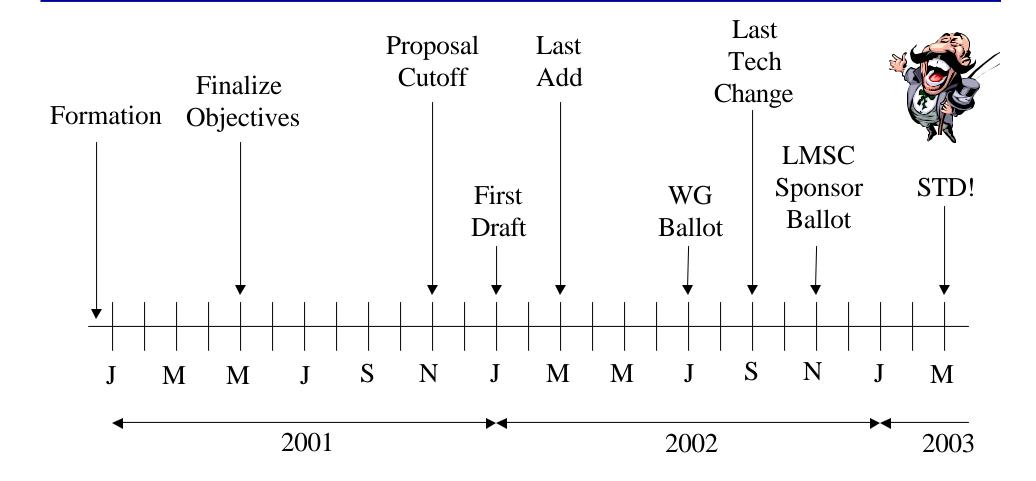


- 5) Bandwidth Management
- 6) Operations, Administration, Maintenance, and Provisioning
- 7) MAC Service Reference Models
- 8) Aggregation
- 9) Service Classes
- 10) Bridging
- 11) Layer Management
- 12) System Topology



IEEE 802.17 WG Timeline







Upcoming RPRWG Meetings



- Interim Meeting: Sept 10 13, 2001
 - Doubletree Hotel San Jose, CA
- Plenary Meeting: Nov 12 16, 2001
 - Hyatt Regency Austin, TX
- Focus on contributions and no longer objectives
- Looking for people to start writing their contributions in the form of the standard so that people understand what exactly is being proposed.



Participation in IEEE 802.17



- Anyone is welcome to participate
- Web site: http://www.ieee802.org/17
- To join email reflector send mail to majordomo@ieee.org with body subscribe stds-802-17 < email_address>



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