

# P802.3bm

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**Type of Project:** Amendment to IEEE Standard 802.3-2008

**PAR Request Date:** 17-May-2012

**PAR Approval Date:**

**PAR Expiration Date:**

**Status:** Unapproved PAR, PAR for an Amendment to an existing IEEE Standard

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**1.1 Project Number:** P802.3bm

**1.2 Type of Document:** Standard

**1.3 Life Cycle:** Full Use

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**2.1 Title:** Standard for Information technology--Telecommunications and information exchange between systems--Local and metropolitan area networks--Specific requirements Part 3: Carrier Sense Multiple Access with Collision Detection (CSMA/CD) Access Method and Physical Layer Specifications Amendment: Physical Layer Specifications and Management Parameters for 40 Gb/s and 100 Gb/s Operation Over Fiber Optic Cables

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**3.1 Working Group:** Ethernet Working Group (C/LM/WG802.3)

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**3.2 Sponsoring Society and Committee:** IEEE Computer Society/LAN/MAN Standards Committee (C/LM)

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None

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**4.1 Type of Ballot:** Individual

**4.2 Expected Date of submission of draft to the IEEE-SA for Initial Sponsor Ballot:** 07/2014

**4.3 Projected Completion Date for Submittal to RevCom:** 02/2015

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**5.1 Approximate number of people expected to be actively involved in the development of this project:** 108

**5.2.a. Scope of the complete standard:** This standard defines Ethernet local area, access and metropolitan area networks. Ethernet is specified at

selected speeds of operation; and uses a common media access control (MAC) specification and management information base (MIB). The Carrier Sense Multiple Access with Collision Detection (CSMA/CD)

MAC protocol specifies shared medium (half duplex) operation, as well as full duplex operation. Speed specific

Media Independent Interfaces (MIIs) provide an architectural and optional implementation interface to

selected Physical Layer entities (PHY). The Physical Layer encodes frames for transmission and decodes

received frames with the modulation specified for the speed of operation, transmission medium and supported

link length. Other specified capabilities include: control and management protocols, and the provision

of power over selected twisted pair PHY types.

**5.2.b. Scope of the project:** This project is to specify additions to and appropriate modifications of IEEE Std 802.3 to add 100 Gb/s Physical Layer (PHY) specifications and management parameters, using a four-lane electrical interface for operation on multimode and single-mode fiber optic cables. In addition, to add 40 Gb/s Physical Layer (PHY) specifications and management parameters for operation on extended reach (> 10 km) single-mode fiber optic cables.

**5.3 Is the completion of this standard dependent upon the completion of another standard:** No

**5.4 Purpose:** This document will not include a purpose clause.

**Changes in purpose:**

**5.5 Need for the Project:** Rapid growth of server, network, and internet traffic is driving the need for higher data rates, higher density, lower cost fiber optic solutions, especially in the data center space. Advances in technology now allow the specification of new 100 Gb/s Physical Layer types with reduced lane count, addressing these needs. IEEE Std 802.3 does not currently define a 100 Gb/s four-lane electrical interface between host ICs and optical modules, nor does it define an extended

reach solution for 40 Gb/s on single-mode fiber beyond 10 km.

**5.6 Stakeholders for the Standard:** Stakeholders that have been identified to date include, but are not limited to: users and producers of systems and components for servers, network storage, networking systems, data centers, high performance computing, and telecommunications carriers.

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**Intellectual Property**

**6.1.a. Is the Sponsor aware of any copyright permissions needed for this project?:** No

**6.1.b. Is the Sponsor aware of possible registration activity related to this project?:** No

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**7.1 Are there other standards or projects with a similar scope?:** No

**7.2 Joint Development**

**Is it the intent to develop this document jointly with another organization?:** No

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**8.1 Additional Explanatory Notes (Item Number and Explanation):**