

IEEE P802.3at D3.0 PoEplus comments

Cl 33 SC 33.7.6.5 P96 L27 # 90  
 Darshan, Yair Microsemi Corporation

Comment Type **TR** Comment Status **R**  
 Draft D3.0:  
 The state diagram as it is in figure 33-27 and 33-28 allows the case of a Type 1 PD that requires more power then 12.95 by using Data Link Layer Classification. This case is not allowed (due to iteroperability issues) and according to the state diagram it is.

*SuggestedRemedy*  
 Add to the state diagram a state that if the PD is classified as class 0,1,2 and 3 it can reclassify itself to lower class power then advertized by the hardware classification but not to higher class power.

Response Response Status **W**  
 REJECT.

By definition a Type 1 cannot exceed the power levels defined in 802.3-2005.

Cl 33 SC 33.3.7 P66 L23 # 119  
 Beia, Christian STMicroelectronics

Comment Type **ER** Comment Status **R** Table 33-17  
 Table 33-17  
 The tables should contain only numbers and not the formulae required to calculate them. The content of each cell will be the result of the respective formula, and will be automatically updated if something changes (e.g. Icable). Then the formulae can be added for reference in the text or in an annex.

*SuggestedRemedy*  
 Separate into 2 rows the PD types, and substitute 12.95W and 24.6W in place of the expression of Pport max.

Response Response Status **W**  
 REJECT.

Apparently the tool does not contain embedded formula. The consensus of commenters requested the formula in the table, even though it is harder on the reader.

See added note in comment 451

Cl 33 SC 33.3.7 P66 L37 # 120  
 Beia, Christian STMicroelectronics

Comment Type **ER** Comment Status **A** 86  
 Table 33-17  
 The parameter Vport\_static is not defined. Vport is the static input voltage. Transient input voltage is Vtran\_lo.

*SuggestedRemedy*  
 Change the expression of peak operating power:  
 $(400/350) \times (Pport\_max / Vport\_min) \times Vtran\_min$

Response Response Status **W**  
 ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.  
 OBE 86

Cl 33 SC 33.3.7 P66 L37 # 121  
 Beia, Christian STMicroelectronics

Comment Type **ER** Comment Status **R** Ppeak  
 Table 33-17  
 It is very difficult for a reader to find out the right number for Ppeak. As suggested for Pport the tables should contain only numbers and not the formulae required to calculate them. The formula can be moved into the text for reference.

*SuggestedRemedy*  
 Change the content of the cell Ppeak max with the result of the formula.

Response Response Status **W**  
 REJECT.

The majority of commenters favor the formula approach even though it is harder on the reader.

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Cl 33 SC 33.8 P100 L21 # 123  
 Frazier, Howard Broadcom  
 Comment Type ER Comment Status A Loss of Communication  
 missing words  
 SuggestedRemedy  
 The end of the sentence should read:  
 "...a PD shall [set the] aLLDPPoEPLocAcknowledge (30.12.1.1.10) attribute  
 in the DTE Power via MDI classification local object class to the  
 enumeration "loss of communications."  
 Response Response Status W  
 ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.  
 OBE 153

Cl 33 SC 33.1.4.1 P26 L1 # 124  
 Frazier, Howard Broadcom  
 Comment Type TR Comment Status A cable  
 The note that appears at the top of page 26 is redundant. The content of the note is already  
 captured in the normative text that appears in the second sentence of 33.1.4.1.  
 SuggestedRemedy  
 Delete the note. Notes are informative, and this note adds nothing to the normative text.  
 Response Response Status W  
 ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.  
 OBE 392, note was deleted  
 3, 140, 447,501, 507, 520

Cl 33 SC 33.2 P27 L10 # 125  
 Frazier, Howard Broadcom  
 Comment Type TR Comment Status A  
 This sentence:  
 Characteristics, such as the losses due to overvoltage protection circuits, or power supply  
 inefficiencies, after the PI connector are  
 not accounted for in this specification.  
 makes no sense. 33.1.3 makes it clear that the PI is the demarcation between the PSE (or  
 the PD) and the medium.  
 SuggestedRemedy  
 Delete the sentence.  
 Response Response Status W  
 ACCEPT.

Cl 33 SC 33.2.3 P32 L50 # 126  
 Frazier, Howard Broadcom  
 Comment Type TR Comment Status A  
 This sentence:  
 Implementors are free to implement either alternative or both.  
 is redundant. The freedom conveyed in this sentence is stated in  
 the preceding sentence, as well as in 33.2.1.  
 SuggestedRemedy  
 Delete the sentence.  
 Response Response Status W  
 ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.  
 OBE 331.

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Cl 33 SC 33.2.8 P44 L25 # 127  
 Frazier, Howard Broadcom  
 Comment Type **TR** Comment Status **A** class pse  
 Where is "mutual identification" defined? What constitutes mutual identification? Does it correspond to a state in a state machine?  
 SuggestedRemedy  
 Provide an unambiguous definition of mutual identification  
 Response Response Status **W**  
 ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.  
 Mutual Identification is partially defined on page 44, L 27.  
 "Mutual identification is the mechanism that allows a Type 2 PD to differentiate Type 1 PSEs from Type 2 PSEs."  
 Add this sentence afterward: "Additionally mutual identification allows Type 2 PSEs to differentiate between Type 1 and Type 2 PDs."

Cl 33 SC 33.2.10 P53 L42 # 128  
 Frazier, Howard Broadcom  
 Comment Type **TR** Comment Status **A**  
 The text of the second paragraph predates L2 classification, and seems to ignore it. At the very least, there should be a forward pointer to the subclause on L2 classification.  
 SuggestedRemedy  
 Add to the end of the second paragraph:  
 See 33.7 for a description of Data Link Layer classification.  
 Response Response Status **W**  
 ACCEPT.

Cl 33 SC 33.8 P100 L19 # 129  
 Frazier, Howard Broadcom  
 Comment Type **TR** Comment Status **A** Loss of Communication  
 A delay of "LLDP time to live (TTL) timeout value for the remote system (see IEEE Std 802.1AB-200X, subclause 9.5.4) plus an additional delay of 2 x TTL timeout value for the remote system" would appear to be equal to 3 x TTL timeout value for the remote system, so why not say so?  
 SuggestedRemedy  
 Change the sentence to read:  
 "If a loss of management frame communication persists past three times the LLDP time to live (TTL) timeout value for the remote system (see IEEE Std 802.1AB-200X, subclause 9.5.4) a PSE may remove power..."  
 Response Response Status **W**  
 ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.  
 OBE 153

Cl 33 SC 33.8 P100 L21 # 130  
 Frazier, Howard Broadcom  
 Comment Type **TR** Comment Status **A** Loss of Communication  
 The statement "a PSE may remove power" contradicts the requirement stated in the preceding paragraph, which says "Upon loss of management frame communication, PSEs and PDs shall remain operational using the last acknowledged classification state."  
 Removing power because a low-level management protocol isn't operating as quickly as expected is a drastic step.  
 SuggestedRemedy  
 Remove the statement "a PSE may remove power".  
 Response Response Status **W**  
 ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.  
 OBE 153  
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 A clarification can be added. The intent of both statements were that upon loss of communication the device stays in the last classified state. A window is provided underwhich the communication can be restored prior to switching power off.

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Cl 33 SC 33.1.4.1 P25 L50 # 138  
 Alan Flatman LAN Technologies  
 Comment Type TR Comment Status A cable  
 Type 2 operation requires Class D or better cabling as specified in ISO/IEC 11801:1995 but then Category 5e components are required. This does not make sense.  
 SuggestedRemedy  
 Delete 2nd sentence ("When Class D . . . . ISO/IEC 11801:2002").  
 Response Response Status W  
 ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.  
 OBE 519  
 also, 300, 474, 392

Cl 33 SC 33.1.4.1 P26 L1 # 140  
 Alan Flatman LAN Technologies  
 Comment Type TR Comment Status A cable  
 note should provide an alternative TIA reference for Cat 5, not Cat 5e.  
 SuggestedRemedy  
 Change TIA reference to Cat 5 cabling.  
 Response Response Status W  
 ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.  
 OBE 392, note was deleted

Cl 00 SC 00 P L # 141  
 Thomas Dineen Dineen Consulting  
 Comment Type TR Comment Status R  
 Delete or modify Objectives 5, 9 10, 11, and 12! Objective should be clear, crisp, and concise thus making it straight forward for the reviewer of your draft to determine if they have been met! Keep in mind here that I consider this comment to be well within the proper scope of a WG Ballot in that part of the ballot review involves a determination of whether the draft meets the objectives.

Keep in mind here that I am not opposed to you project, I am concerned however that you objective list is bloated with non specific items that should be deleted of replaced with something more specific.

By this point in the project your "research", "vigorous pursuit", and "revisiting" should be concluded with concise results that can be boiled down to proper objectives.

"Objective 5 The enhanced standard will provide the maximum power to the PD as allowed within practical limits"

Objective 5 should be deleted because it is redundant to objective 6 and yet less specific thus offering no value. Also Objective 5 is in appropriate and non specific.

"Objective 9 Research potential extension of power classification to support PoEPlus modes"

Objective 9 is an inappropriate and non specific objective and should therefor be deleted or replaced. We do not specify "research" in an objective. How is the reader of the draft to determine if the research has been completed properly and thus the objective met? You either support the extension of power classification or you do not. No research Please delete or replace with something more specific.

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"Objective 10 PoE Plus will vigorously pursue supporting the operation of midspan PSEs for 1000BASE-T."

Objective 9 is an inappropriate and non specific objective and should therefor be deleted or replaced. We do not specify "vigorously pursue" in an objective. How is the reader of the draft to determine if the if the appropriate degree of vigor has been achieved and thus the objective met? You either specify operation with 1000BASE-T or you do not. No research. Please delete or replace with something more specific.

"Objective 11 Research the operations of midspan and endpoint PSEs for 10GBASE-T including providing cable heating data for evaluation by IEEE P802.3an."

Objective 11 is an inappropriate and non specific objective and should therefor be deleted or replaced. We do not specify "research" in an objective. How is the reader of the draft to determine if the research has been completed properly and thus the objective met? You either specify operation with 10GBASE-T or you do not. No research. Please delete or replace with something more specific.

"Objective 12 That IEEE 802.3af power over the MDI isolation requirements be revisited as part of the PoE Plus work"

Objective 12 is an inappropriate and non specific objective and should therefor be deleted or replaced. We do not specify "revisited" in an objective. How is the reader of the draft to determine if the revisiting has been completed properly and thus the objective met? You either specify MDI isolation requirements or you do not. No revisits. Please delete or replace with something more specific.

### *SuggestedRemedy*

Delete or modify comments as discussed above.

*Response*

REJECT.

*Response Status* **W**

It is absolutely correct that it is in scope to comment on if the draft meets the objectives - it isn't in scope to comment on the objectives themselves - this is done during the adoption of the objectives by the Working Group.

The comment contents have been referred to the P802.3at TF and 802.3 WG chairs via e-mail for further disposition but as comment makes no specific recommendation for changes to the draft it is rejected.

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Cl 33 SC 33.7.2.5 P91 L39 # 146  
 Koper, Ezra Microsemi

Comment Type TR Comment Status R

In order to assure that PDU ACK/NACK reply sent back by PD to PSE or PSE to PD are related, two bit (bit2-3) sequence number should be added. Each time PD or PSE initiate Data Link Layer PDU to advertise its state, or send change request PDU it should increment sequence number by one. ACK/NACK reply PDU should contain same sequence number (0-3)

In addition bit 0-1 of Acknowledge field should be given a name. I suggest to call it AckType

SuggestedRemedy

Change from:

Bit	Function	Value/meaning
7:2	reserved	reserved

to:

7:4	reserved	reserved
3:2	SeqNum	Two bit sequence number
1:0	AckType	1 0

--  
 1 1 = loss of communications  
 1 0 = non-acknowledge  
 0 1 = acknowledge  
 0 0 = not part of acknowledge cycle

Before line #46 add the following:

"Each time PD or PSE initiate Data Link Layer PDU to advertise its state, or send change request PDU it should increment sequence number by one. ACK/NACK reply PDU should contain same sequence number (0-3)"

Response Response Status W

REJECT.

This is an advertise only protocol, hence a sequence number is not necessary.

Cl 33 SC 33.7.7 P97 L49 # 147  
 Koper, Ezra Microsemi

Comment Type TR Comment Status R

I would like to prevent PD from sending NACK whenever PSE send change request to inform PD that it would like to switch to backup power. The reason is that the PD is not in a position to decide if PSE is allowed to change its power source or not. The same is applicable for power priority field.

SuggestedRemedy

1. Add in line 48 before "If the local..."

"PD is allowed to enter to non-acknowledge state and send NACK only when PSE send change request PDU with 'Requested PD Power Value' is below PD power consumption.

2. Update figure 33-28 (PD power control state diagram) to reflect this change.

Response Response Status W

REJECT.

1. Changing to backup power is not something that needs to be arbitrated for.

2. OBE by Diab/Thompson Motion passed at 2:51 on 6/27/2008

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Cl 33 SC 33.7.2.1.3 P90 L43 # 150  
Koper, Ezra Microsemi

Comment Type TR Comment Status R

Per line #43 PSE can't set PoE port priority.

In 802.3af and RFC3621 (which is the SNMP MIB), only Type 1 PSE had the capability to set PoE port priority. In 802.3at PD should be in a position to suggest what should be its priority but not enforce it on the PSE due to the fact that the PSE should be the Master (from central power management point of view) and the PD is the slave and it is also good for backwards compatibility.

State diagram in section 33.7.6.5 (both for PSE & PD need to be changed in order to reflect the proposed change).

SuggestedRemedy

Replace lines 40-43 with the following text:

"When the power type is PSE, if PSE is interested to enforce its PoE port priority, it shall set this field to low/high/critical. PD shall always accept PSE enforced priority. If PSE would like to obtain PD priority rather than enforcing its own priority, it should set this field to 00"

Response Response Status W

REJECT.

OBE 516

The PD priority is a piece of information that the PD provides to the PSE. The PSE may or may not use this information. If it uses this information, the use is outside the scope of the standard.

Cl 33 SC 33.7.2.2 P90 L54 # 151  
Koper, Ezra Microsemi

Comment Type TR Comment Status A

Power value field should be changed so that there will be an option to mark this field as "Unknown" as it is possible in all the other fields of the TLVPDU (as power type, power source, priority). Value 0 should be used as "Unknown". This will allow for example, to change PD priority without changing previous PD power request.

SuggestedRemedy

In Table 33-23 column "Value/Meaning"

Replace :

"Power = 0.1 x (decimal value of bits) Watts.

Valid values for these bits are decimal 0 through 295."

with:

"Value 0 = Unknown.

Power=0.1 x (decimal value of bits) Watts.

Valid values for these bits are decimal 1-295"

Response Response Status W

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

The power value is the minimum requirement of DLL Classification. A PSE cannot allocate power based on a value of unknown.

Change P90 L54 to "Valid values for these bits are decimal 1 through 295."

Cl 33 SC 33.1.3 P25 L19 # 177  
Dove, Daniel ProCurve Networking

Comment Type TR Comment Status A

The paragraph starting with "Any device..." essentially excludes mid-span devices as they do not contain an MDI compliant with Clauses 14,25 or 40.

SuggestedRemedy

Just thought I would mention it. You might want to insert "with the exception of midspan PSEs"

Response Response Status W

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

For clarity, move the sentence to above figure 33-1 or 33-2, at the discretion of the editor.

Comment acceptance results in no change of text.

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Cl 33 SC 33.2.4.7 P41 L16 # 178  
 Dove, Daniel ProCurve Networking

Comment Type **TR** Comment Status **A**  
 The term "Iport > ILIM \* power\_applied" makes no sense. If Iport > ILIM, by definition, power is applied.

SuggestedRemedy  
 remove the term "power\_applied" or use it everywhere with an "\*" whenever power should be applied.

Response Response Status **W**  
 ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

OBE 76

Cl 33 SC 33.2.8.1 P45 L44 # 179  
 Dove, Daniel ProCurve Networking

Comment Type **ER** Comment Status **A** ez  
 The language "assume it is powering a Type 2 PD" is not appropriate. We have a shall statement with the word "ass-u-me" behind it. What does that mean and how do you measure it?

SuggestedRemedy  
 Change to "assign Class 4 classification to the PD"

Response Response Status **W**  
 ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

See 196

Cl 33 SC 33.7.1 P89 L17 # 181  
 Dove, Daniel ProCurve Networking

Comment Type **TR** Comment Status **R**  
 "A device implementing Data Link Layer classification shall send power management Protocol Data Units(PDUs) and process PDUs received from the remote device at least once every 30 seconds." contradicts 802.1 specification which allows up to 3600 sec.

I am confirming that this is a requirement and therefore a super-requirement over 802.1

SuggestedRemedy  
 Clarify language to address 802.1 compliance, and compatibility.

Response Response Status **W**  
 REJECT.

The comment is correct, we are explicitly requiring above and beyond what 802.1AB allows. The text intentionally narrows the requirements.

Cl 33 SC 33.7.2.2 P91 L10 # 183  
 Dove, Daniel ProCurve Networking

Comment Type **TR** Comment Status **A** L2 Power Convention  
 Erroneous Statement - Not measuring output of PSE

SuggestedRemedy  
 Change "output of the PSE's" to "input of the PD's"

Response Response Status **W**  
 ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

OBE 134.

We had a discussion on this in the Boston interim and the agreement was to always report the PD power not PSE power.



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Cl 33 SC 33.7.3 P92 L6 # 184  
 Dove, Daniel ProCurve Networking  
 Comment Type **TR** Comment Status **A** Naming Convention  
 Table 33-25, 26  
 Changes to tables required to address earlier comment regarding TLV fields  
 SuggestedRemedy  
 Please add the variables  
 Response Response Status **W**  
 ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.  
 OBE by Diab/Thompson Motion passed at 2:51 on 6/27/2008

Cl 33 SC 33.7.6.2 P93 L37 # 185  
 Dove, Daniel ProCurve Networking  
 Comment Type **TR** Comment Status **A**  
 "where X is the decimal value of locActualPowerValue." is not sufficiently detailed.  
 SuggestedRemedy  
 Change to "where X is the decimal value of locActualPowerValue in increments of 100mW."  
 Response Response Status **W**  
 ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.  
 OBE by Diab/Thompson Motion passed at 2:51 on 6/27/2008

Cl 33 SC 33.7.6.2 P93 L51 # 186  
 Dove, Daniel ProCurve Networking  
 Comment Type **TR** Comment Status **A**  
 "where X is the decimal value of locRequestedPowerValue." is insufficient.  
 SuggestedRemedy  
 Change to "where X is the decimal value of locRequestedPowerValue in increments of 100mW."  
 Response Response Status **W**  
 ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.  
 OBE by Diab/Thompson Motion passed at 2:51 on 6/27/2008

Cl 33 SC 33.7.6.2 P94 L24 # 187  
 Dove, Daniel ProCurve Networking  
 Comment Type **ER** Comment Status **R**  
 Wrong Figure cited  
 SuggestedRemedy  
 Figure 33-28 - Update Reference  
 Response Response Status **W**  
 REJECT.  
 Pd\_dll\_enable is an output of Figure 33-17

Cl 33 SC 33.7.6.2 P94 L28 # 188  
 Dove, Daniel ProCurve Networking  
 Comment Type **ER** Comment Status **R**  
 Incorrect figure cited  
 SuggestedRemedy  
 Figure 33-27 - Update Reference  
 Response Response Status **W**  
 REJECT.  
 Pse\_dll\_enable is an output of Figure 33-9

Cl 33 SC 33.7.6.3 P95 L44 # 189  
 Dove, Daniel ProCurve Networking  
 Comment Type **TR** Comment Status **A** L2 Collision  
 pd\_denial\_timer is set to the same value as pse\_denial\_timer, I believe they should be different  
 SuggestedRemedy  
 Change one or both so they are not the same value, and preferably non-integral of each other.  
 Response Response Status **W**  
 ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.  
 OBE by Diab/Thompson Motion passed at 2:51 on 6/27/2008

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CI 33 SC 33.2.8 P45 L14 # 203  
 Tziony, Noam Microsemi

Comment Type TR Comment Status A class pd

Table 33-5  
 For the following Permutation:  
 PD Type: Type-2  
 Physical Layer classification: None  
 Data Link Layer classification: No  
 The Table says that:PD allowed?: N/A which doesnt make sense due to the fact that this is a Type 2 PD and it must support L1 and L2.

SuggestedRemedy

Change to:  
 PD allowed?: No OR explain what does it mean N/A or explain how to read this Table?

Response Response Status W

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

N/A is confusing.

Change table as follows:

PD Allowed?  
 N  
 Y  
 N  
 N  
 N (Was N/A)  
 N (Was N/A)  
 Y  
 Y  
 Y  
 Y  
 N (Was N/A)  
 N (Was N/A)

CI 33 SC 33.2.8 P45 L16 # 204  
 Tziony, Noam Microsemi

Comment Type TR Comment Status A class pd

Table 33-5  
 For the following Permutation:  
 PD Type: Type-2  
 Physical Layer classification: None  
 Data Link Layer classification: Yes  
 The Table says that:PD allowed?: N/A which doesnt make sense due to the fact that this is a Type 2 PD and it must support L1 and L2.

SuggestedRemedy

Change to:  
 PD allowed?: No OR explain what does it mean N/A or explain how to read this Table?

Response Response Status W

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

OBE 203.

CI 33 SC 33.2.8 P45 L23 # 205  
 Tziony, Noam Microsemi

Comment Type TR Comment Status A class pd

Table 33-5  
 For the following Permutation:  
 PD Type: Type-1  
 Physical Layer classification: None  
 Data Link Layer classification: No  
 PD allowed?: N/A

Type-1 PD without Physical Layer classification is not allowed. Class 0 is a class and PD without special classification hardware, if it presents 0 to 4mA it is class zero. So in this case PD is not allowed.

SuggestedRemedy

Change to:  
 PD allowed?: No OR explain what does it mean N/A or explain how to read this Table?

Response Response Status W

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

OBE 203

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Cl 33 SC 33.2.8 P45 L 25 # 206  
 Tziony, Noam Microsemi

Comment Type TR Comment Status A class pd

Table 33-5  
 For the following Permutation:  
 PD Type: Type-1  
 Physical Layer classification: None  
 Data Link Layer classification: Yes  
 PD allowed?: N/A

Type-1 PD without Physical Layer classification is not allowed. Class 0 is a class and PD without special classification hardware, if it presents 0 to 4mA it is class zero. So in this case PD is not allowed.

*SuggestedRemedy*

Change to:  
 PD allowed?: No, OR explain what does it mean N/A or explain how to read this Table?

Response Response Status W

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

OBE 203

Cl 33 SC 33.3.5.2 P64 L 36 # 207  
 Tziony, Noam Microsemi

Comment Type TR Comment Status R class pd

Table 33-16  
 Item 3:  
 Mark event current (IMark) is 0.25mA min  
 This minimum value is not require. A zero value is OK too.  
 Rational:  
 Until PD gets to Vmark\_th, the current is 40mA which discharge the port.  
 When PD detects Vmark\_th, current can be zero.  
 The requirement of 0.25mA limits implementations.

*SuggestedRemedy*

Change to:  
 Mark event current (IMark) 0mA min

Response Response Status W

REJECT.

Limiting PD behavior often eases PSE design and vise versa.

The requirement for the PD to draw 0.25mA minimum reduces design requirements for the PSE. PSEs are typically designed with one-sided drivers that can assert voltage onto the port, but are unable to discharge the port. By mandating a minimum load current, the PSE can be designed without needing to implement a discharge circuit. Additionally, PSE stability requierments are eased when there is a limited range of load currents.

It can be aruged that the 0.25mA requirement limits PD implementations, however practically speaking, PDs will draw some current in order to maintain state memory. PDs are also required to present an invalid signature which can be implemented by shorting the port with a ~10Kohm resistor thereby meeting both minimum current draw and invalid signature requirments.

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CI 33 SC 33.3.5.2.1 P64 L47 # 208  
 Tziony, Noam Microsemi

Comment Type TR Comment Status A class pd

At Table 33-16, item 4 (VMark\_th), additional information "See 33.3.5.2.1".

I've looked at subsection 33.3.5.2.1 and I didn't find any explanations regarding VMark\_th

*SuggestedRemedy*

Add the following text to 33.3.5.2.1:

"Vmark\_th is the operating range of the Mark event to be detected by the PD.  
 The mark event voltage as specified in Table 33-16 item 2 is actually the PSE mark event range after worst case cable voltage loss as measured at the PD PI.  
 Once the PD detects Vmark\_th, it may reduce its current from Iclass to Imark.  
 When PD gets to Mark event voltage range, the PD shall consume Imark"

Response Response Status W

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Insert text at the end of 33.3.5.2.1:

"Vmark\_th is the PI voltage threshold at which the PD implementing 2-event classification transistions into and out of the DO\_CLASS\_EVENT1 or DO\_CLASS\_EVENT2 states as shown in Figure 33-17."

CI 33 SC 33.3.5.2.2 P65 L3 # 209  
 Tziony, Noam Microsemi

Comment Type TR Comment Status A sd

At Table 33-16, item 5 (VReset\_th), additional information "See 33.3.5.2.2".

I've looked at subsection 33.3.5.2.2 and I didn't find any explanations regarding VReset\_th

*SuggestedRemedy*

Add the following text 33.3.5.2.2

"Vreset\_th is the operating range of the Reset to be detected by the PD.  
 Once the PD detects Vreset\_th, it will behave as specified in pd-reset Variable definition."

Response Response Status W

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Insert the following into 33.3.5.2.1:

"VReset\_th is the PI voltage threshold at which the PD implementing 2-event classification transistions from the DO\_MARK\_EVENTx to the NOT\_MDI\_POWERED state as shown in Figure 33-17."

Change additional info in T33-16 item 5 to See 33.3.5.2.1

See 251

CI 33 SC 33.3.5.2 P64 L36 # 210  
 Tziony, Noam Microsemi

Comment Type TR Comment Status A class pd

Table 33-16  
 Item 3:  
 Mark event current (IMark) is 2mA max

We allow Imark\_lim to be 5mA minimum.  
 So Imark can be up to <5mA.  
 It is possible to get PSE voltage down too 7V with Imark up to 5mA.

*SuggestedRemedy*

Table 33-16 Item 3:  
 Mark event current (IMark) 4mA maximum

Response Response Status W

ACCEPT.

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Cl 33 SC 33.2.3 P32 L51 # 230  
 Sanita', Gianluca Nokia Siemens Network

Comment Type **TR** Comment Status **R** 4P

This comment tries to address all the PoE system that are not covered by the Power budget delivered over two pairs especially after that this budget has been reduced down to 30W at the PSE side.

*SuggestedRemedy*

Replace:  
 PSEs shall not operate both Alternative A and Alternative B on the same link segment simultaneously  
 With:  
 Simultaneous operation of Alternative A and Alternative B is out of scope of the standard

Response Response Status **W**

REJECT.

OBE 72

Cl 33 SC 33.3.2 P58 L6 # 231  
 Sanita', Gianluca Nokia Siemens Network

Comment Type **TR** Comment Status **R** PD Underpowered

This comment tries to address all the Type-2 PDs that are not allowed to power up with only max Type-1 PD power budget.

*SuggestedRemedy*

Change  
 A Type 2 PD that does not successfully observe a 2-Event Physical Layer classification or Data Link Layer classification must conform to Type 1 PD power restrictions.  
 With  
 A Type 2 PD that does not successfully observe a 2-Event Physical Layer classification or Data Link Layer classification must conform to Type 1 PD power restrictions if defining a "underpower operational mode" is applicable to the PD specific appliance; otherwise the PD will power off."

Response Response Status **W**

REJECT.

This is all ready encompassed with the existing text. A PD may intentionally present a bad MPS signature, effectively requesting that it be disconnected. This power level is consistent with Type 1 operation.  
 It should be pointed out that a type 2 PD is required to provide a user notification if underpowered within the same paragraph (P58, L7) . It may be possible to do this within the spirit of the comment, but it appears this comment is trying to remove the requirement for a PD to interoperate with Type 1 PSEs which is orthogonal to the effort of the TF.

Cl 01 SC 01.4 P13 L28 # 274  
 Barrass, Hugh Cisco

Comment Type **ER** Comment Status **A** power levels

"A PSE or PD that is designed for IEEE Std 802.3T-2005 power levels"

IEEE Std 802.3-2005 will shortly be replaced by a newer revision. That revision will, in turn be replaced by another revision (probably including this amendment).

Do not refer to a specific revision of 802.3. If you wish to specify a power level, then state the power level.

*SuggestedRemedy*

Replace

"A PSE or PD that is designed for IEEE Std 802.3T-2005 power levels"

with

"

A PSE or PD that is designed for power levels between 0.5 and 12.95W (at the PD)"

Response Response Status **W**

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Replace

"1.4.x Type 1: A PSE or PD that is designed for IEEE Std 802.3™-2005 power levels."

with

"1.4.x Type 1 PD: A PD that advertizes a power draw less then or equal to 12.95W (at the PD).

1.4.x Type 1 PSE: A PSE that is designed to support a Type 1 PD."

See 275, 404

IEEE P802.3at D3.0 PoEplus comments

Cl 01 SC 01.4 P13 L30 # 275  
 Barrass, Hugh Cisco

Comment Type ER Comment Status A power levels

"A PSE or PD that is designed for IEEE Std 802.3T-2005 power levels"

IEEE Std 802.3-2005 will shortly be replaced by a newer revision. That revision will, in turn be replaced by another revision (probably including this amendment).

Do not refer to a specific revision of 802.3. If you wish to specify a power level, then state the power level.

SuggestedRemedy

Replace

"A PSE or PD that is designed for IEEE Std 802.3T-2005 power levels"

with

"A PSE or PD that is designed for power levels greater than 12.95W (at the PD)"

Response Response Status W

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Replace

"1.4.x Type 2: A PSE or PD that is designed for greater than IEEE Std 802.3™-2005 power levels."

with

"1.4.x Type 2 PD: A PD that advertizes a power draw greater than 12.95W (at the PD).

1.4.x Type 2 PSE: A PSE that is designed to support either a Type 1 or a Type 2 PD."

see 274, 404

Cl 33 SC 33.7.6.5 P96 L33 # 291  
 Barrass, Hugh Cisco

Comment Type TR Comment Status A STATE MACHINE

Figure 33-27

State machine is missing "collision" condition.

If the local system sends a request just before it receives a remote request - treat it the same as getting a "NACK"

SuggestedRemedy

Change "locAcknowledge = NACK"

to "(locAcknowledge = NACK) + (remRequestedPowerValue != remActualPowerValue)"

Response Response Status W

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

OBE by Diab/Thompson Motion passed at 2:51 on 6/27/2008

Cl 33 SC 33.7.6.5 P97 L33 # 292  
 Barrass, Hugh Cisco

Comment Type TR Comment Status A STATE MACHINE

Figure 33-28

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SuggestedRemedy

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Response Response Status W

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

OBE by Diab/Thompson Motion passed at 2:51 on 6/27/2008

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<i>Cl</i> 33	<i>SC</i> 33.7.6.5	<i>P96</i>	<i>L12</i>	# 293
Barrass, Hugh		Cisco		
<i>Comment Type</i>	<b>TR</b>	<i>Comment Status</i>	<b>R</b>	<i>MGMT: GET-SET</i>

Figure 33-27

The state machine needs to support changes in other power objects - not just "PowerValue."

The use of locActualPowerValue, locRequestedPowerValue, remActualPowerValue, and remRequestedPowerValue within the state machine needs to be changed to accommodate other objects.

*SuggestedRemedy*

Comment reference \*\*HB-01\*\*

Within Figure 33-27:

Change locActualPowerValue to locActualPowerFields (4 instances)  
 Change locRequestedPowerValue to locRequestedPowerFields (4 instances)  
 Change remActualPowerValue to remActualPowerFields (2 instances)  
 Change remRequestedPowerValue to remRequestedPowerFields (3 instances)

See comment reference \*\*HB-03\*\* for changes to add definitins for these variables.

<i>Response</i>	<i>Response Status</i>	<b>W</b>
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REJECT.

See comment 276 (HB-01) which was rejected

<i>Cl</i> 33	<i>SC</i> 33.7.6.5	<i>P97</i>	<i>L12</i>	# 294
Barrass, Hugh		Cisco		
<i>Comment Type</i>	<b>TR</b>	<i>Comment Status</i>	<b>R</b>	<i>MGMT: GET-SET</i>

Figure 33-28

The state machine needs to support changes in other power objects - not just "PowerValue."

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*SuggestedRemedy*

Comment reference \*\*HB-02\*\*

Within Figure 33-28:

Change locActualPowerValue to locActualPowerFields (4 instances)  
 Change locRequestedPowerValue to locRequestedPowerFields (4 instances)  
 Change remActualPowerValue to remActualPowerFields (2 instances)  
 Change remRequestedPowerValue to remRequestedPowerFields (3 instances)

See comment reference \*\*HB-03\*\* for changes to add definitins for these variables.

<i>Response</i>	<i>Response Status</i>	<b>W</b>
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REJECT.

See comment 276 (HB-01) which was rejected

IEEE P802.3at D3.0 PoEplus comments

Cl 33 SC 33.7.6.2 P94 L13 # 295  
 Barrass, Hugh Cisco

Comment Type TR Comment Status R MGMT: GET-SET

Comments reference \*\*HB-01\*\* and \*\*HB-02\*\* added new variables for local and remote; actual and requested "PowerFields"

Definitions for these must be added into the variabl edefinitions section.

SuggestedRemedy

Comment reference \*\*HB-03\*\*

Add the following definitions before "removePower"

locActualPowerFields

A concatenation of the fields that indicate the actual PD power type, source, priority and value of the local system. This variable consists of a 24 bit field: bits 23:16 correspond to the Actual power type/source/priority value defined in 33.7.2.3 bit 7 mapping to bit 23, etc.; bits 15:0 correspond to the Actual power value defined in 33.7.2.4. These are mapped to the attributes aLLDPPoEPLocActualPowerType; aLLDPPoEPLocActualPowerSource; aLLDPPoEPLocActualPowerPriority; and aLLDPPoEPLocActualPDPowerValue (30.12.1.1.6,30.12.1.1.7,30.12.1.1.8,30.12.1.1.9).

locRequestedPowerFields

A concatenation of the fields that indicate the requested PD power type, source, priority and value of the local system. This variable consists of a 24 bit field: bits 23:16 correspond to the Requested power type/source/priority value defined in 33.7.2.1 bit 7 mapping to bit 23, etc.; bits 15:0 correspond to the Requested power value defined in 33.7.2.2. These are mapped to the attributes aLLDPPoEPLocRequestedPowerType; aLLDPPoEPLocRequestedPowerSource; aLLDPPoEPLocRequestedPowerPriority; and aLLDPPoEPLocRequestedPDPowerValue (30.12.1.1.2, 30.12.1.1.3, 30.12.1.1.4, 30.12.1.1.5).

remActualPowerFields

A concatenation of the fields that indicate the actual PD power type, source, priority and value of the remote system. This variable consists of a 24 bit field: bits 23:16 correspond to the Actual power type/source/priority value defined in 33.7.2.3 bit 7 mapping to bit 23, etc.; bits 15:0 correspond to the Actual power value defined in 33.7.2.4. These are mapped to the attributes aLLDPPoEPRemActualPowerType; aLLDPPoEPRemActualPowerSource; aLLDPPoEPRemActualPowerPriority; and aLLDPPoEPRemActualPDPowerValue (30.12.2.1.6, 30.12.2.1.7, 30.12.2.1.8, 30.12.2.1.9).

remRequestedPowerFields

A concatenation of the fields that indicate the requested PD power type, source, priority and value of the remote system. This variable consists of a 24 bit field: bits 23:16

correspond to the Requested power type/source/priority value defined in 33.7.2.1 bit 7 mapping to bit 23, etc.; bits 15:0 correspond to the Requested power value defined in 33.7.2.2. These are mapped to the attributes aLLDPPoEPRemRequestedPowerType; aLLDPPoEPRemRequestedPowerSource; aLLDPPoEPRemRequestedPowerPriority; and aLLDPPoEPRemRequestedPDPowerValue (30.12.2.1.2, 30.12.2.1.3, 30.12.2.1.4, 30.12.2.1.5).

Response Response Status W

REJECT.

See comment 276 (HB-01) which was rejected

Cl 33 SC 33.7.6.3 P95 L43 # 296  
 Barrass, Hugh Cisco

Comment Type TR Comment Status A L2 Collision

If there is no difference between the pd\_denial\_timer and the pse\_denial\_timer then collisions will not resolve.

The PSE should win in any conflict.

SuggestedRemedy

Change the sentence:

"The timer is done when it reaches 1 second"

to:

"The timer is done after a period from 1.0 to 1.25 seconds"

Response Response Status W

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

OBE by Diab/Thompson Motion passed at 2:51 on 6/27/2008



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Cl 33 SC 33.7.6.3 P95 L47 # 297  
 Barrass, Hugh Cisco

Comment Type TR Comment Status A L2 Collision

If there is no difference between the pd\_denial\_timer and the pse\_denial\_timer then collisions will not resolve.

The PSE should win in any conflict.

SuggestedRemedy

Change the sentence:

"The timer is done when it reaches 1 second"

to:

"The timer is done after a period from 0.75 to 1.0 seconds"

Response Response Status W

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

OBE by Diab/Thompson Motion passed at 2:51 on 6/27/2008

Cl 33 SC 33.7.6.4 P96 L1 # 298  
 Barrass, Hugh Cisco

Comment Type TR Comment Status R MGMT: GET-SET

With reference to comment \*\*HB-01\*\*

The request is evaluated on the basis of multiple power objects - not just the power value.

SuggestedRemedy

Change

TRUE: The requested change to the allocated power is accepted  
 FALSE: The requested change to the allocated power is not accepted

to

TRUE: The requested change to the allocated power objects is accepted  
 FALSE: The requested change to the allocated power objects is not accepted

Response Response Status W

REJECT.

Refer comment 276 (HB-01) which was rejected, hence its not an object

Cl 33 SC 33.8 P100 L12 # 299  
 Barrass, Hugh Cisco

Comment Type TR Comment Status A

"If Data Link Layer classification fails to come up within 5 minutes after the PSE has turned on power to the PD and the PSE identified the PD as a Type 2 PD via Physical Layer classification, the PSE may remove power."

In practical terms, 5 minutes might as well be infinity. This will significantly complicate the PSE validation process.

I'm trying to see the philosophy behind this behavior. It seems that the PSE is enforcing the PD requirement to support data link layer classification if it wants higher power. Bear in mind that the standard already states that the PSE will provide (and allocate) power according to the L1 classification until the DLL classification amends that. Therefore there's no issue with protecting the PSE (as there is in the general policing function). I think it is foolhardy to try and design the PSE behavior to get deterministic response to non-compliant PDs - if any system is non-compliant then you can expect indeterminate behavior. The set of non-compliant and faulty behavior is infinite.

SuggestedRemedy

Delete the entire sentence:

"If Data Link Layer classification fails to come up within 5 minutes after the PSE has turned on power to the PD and the PSE identified the PD as a Type 2 PD via Physical Layer classification, the PSE may remove power."

Response Response Status W

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

OBE By NH and Denver motions

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The objectives require mutual identification. To address the balloter's concern, change to the following in line with his other comments:

"If Data Link Layer classification fails to come up within 1.25 seconds after the PSE has turned on power to the PD and the PSE identified the PD as a Type 2 PD via Physical Layer classification, the PSE may remove power."

IEEE P802.3at D3.0 PoEplus comments

Cl 33 SC 33.1.3 P25 L10 # 332  
 Young, George AT&T

Comment Type ER Comment Status A

In Figure 33-3, the depiction of the PI interface is misleading. The arrow associated with the PI identification is pointing to the medium.

SuggestedRemedy

The PI labeled arrow should rather be pointing to the connection from the PSE to the medium, in the same manner as the MDI identification arrow appears in the left side of this figure.

Response Response Status W

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

The definition of PI is "The mechanical and electrical interface between the Power Sourcing Equipment (PSE) or Powered Device (PD) and the transmission medium."

The PI arrow is in the correct location as this is the interface for both data and power for the Midspan in the diagram.

Extend the dashed line box through medium to indicate that the medium passes through the Midspan for unpowered pairs.

Cl 33 SC 33.7.5 P92 L41 # 344  
 sastry, ramesh Cisco Systems

Comment Type TR Comment Status A L2 Timing

An LLDPDU containing a DTE Power via MDI classification TLV shall be sent within 5 minutes of Data Link Layer classification being enabled in a PD as indicated by the variable pd\_dll\_enabled, or in a PSE as indicated by the variable pse\_dll\_enabled. See 33.2.4.4, 33.3.3.3, 33.7.6.2.

SuggestedRemedy

An LLDPDU containing a DTE Power via MDI classification TLV shall be sent after Data Link Layer classification being enabled in a PD as indicated by the variable pd\_dll\_enabled, or in a PSE as indicated by the variable pse\_dll\_enabled. See 33.2.4.4, 33.3.3.3, 33.7.6.2.

Response Response Status W

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

OBE By NH and Denver motions

Cl 33 SC 33.7.6.3 P95 L41 # 345  
 sastry, ramesh Cisco Systems

Comment Type TR Comment Status A L2 Collision

pd\_denial\_timer  
 A timer used to limit when a PD can make a new request to change the allocated power after a request is denied. The timer is done when it reaches 1 second.

Change this text to the folloing in the Remedy Section

SuggestedRemedy

pd\_denial\_timer  
 A timer is used to limit when a PD can make a new request to change the allocated power after a request is denied or when a collision is detected. The variable timer in the range of 1 - 1.25 sec shall be used.

Response Response Status W

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

OBE by Diab/Thompson Motion passed at 2:51 on 6/27/2008

Cl 33 SC 33.7.6.3 P95 L44 # 346  
 sastry, ramesh Cisco Systems

Comment Type TR Comment Status A L2 Collision

pse\_denial\_timer  
 A timer used to limit when a PSE can make a new request to change the allocated power after a request is denied. The timer is done when it reaches 1 second.

Change this text to the folloing in the Remedy Section

SuggestedRemedy

pse\_denial\_timer  
 A timer is used to limit when a PSE can make a new request to change the allocated power after a request is denied or when a collision is detected. The variable timer in the range of 0.75 - 1.0 sec shall be used.

Response Response Status W

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

OBE by Diab/Thompson Motion passed at 2:51 on 6/27/2008

IEEE P802.3at D3.0 PoEplus comments

Cl 33 SC 33.8 P100 L1 # 347  
 sastry, ramesh Cisco Systems

Comment Type TR Comment Status A Loss of Communication

Replace the entire text in 33.8 (lines 1-25) Loss of management frame communication with the following text

SuggestedRemedy

33.8 Loss of management frame communication

The following scenarios may cause loss of communication and the expected system behavior under these circumstances are presented

1)After the PSE has identified the PD as a Type 2 PD via Physical Layer classification, PSE shall not change the applied power to the PD till it receives the 1st TLV requesting for different power value via Data Link Layer communication.

After Data Link Layer communication has been established there are three scenarios that may cause a loss of management frame communication.

2) Upon loss of management frame communication, after a successful Layer 2 classification operation , both PSE and PD shall remain operational using the last acknowledged Data Link Layer classification. If a loss of management frame communication, after successful Layer 2 classification operation, persists for more than the smaller value of the remote TTL value (see IEEE Std 802.1AB-200X, subclause 9.5.4) for the PSE/PD or 5 minutes, shall assert the aLLDPPoEPLocAcknowledge (30.12.1.1.10) attribute in the DTE Power via MDI classification local object class to the enumeration "loss of communications." This will allow systems for any potential fault recovery.

3) If a loss of management frame communication, after successful Layer 2 classification operation, persists for more than the smaller of (2 x remote TTL) or 5 minutes, a PSE may optionally power cycle the PD. If the loss of communication persists even after one power cycle, the PSE may optionally remove the the power to the PD. The PSE may remove power at any time per Figure 33-9.

4)PD may send a request to the PSE with the intention to enter the power conservation mode, in which, the LLDP state machine in the PD may be non operational. It does this by sending the TLV with power priority field changed to "conserve" value as mentioned in the Table 33-22 . The PSE will respond with ACK with the minimum power value to be drawn by the PD in the requested value filed in the TLV. The PD will respond with requested power and the actual power values equal and enter the conserve mode. From then on PSE shall not treat this as loss of communication event . The PD can subsequently send an another TLV with power priority reverted back to its original value and the PSE can implement the time out behavior as described in this section.

PSE will always remove power to the PD when the PD draws current below the IPort\_MPS

min value as specified in Table-33-18.

Response Response Status W

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

OBE 153

Cl 33 SC 33.7.6.5 P96 L33 # 350  
 sastry, ramesh Cisco Systems

Comment Type TR Comment Status A STATE MACHINE

Add the following to detect the collision in the Local Request state (line 30) in the NACK branch

SuggestedRemedy

locAcknowledge = NACK  
 (remRequestedPowerValue NOT= remActualPowerValue)

Response Response Status W

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

OBE by Diab/Thompson Motion passed at 2:51 on 6/27/2008

Cl 33 SC 33.8 P100 L26 # 354  
 sastry, ramesh Cisco Systems

Comment Type TR Comment Status R

Add the following text about the Power removal due to MPS violation to add context.

SuggestedRemedy

PSE will always remove power to the PD when the PD draws current below the IPort\_MPS min value as specified in Table-33-18.

Response Response Status W

REJECT.

This already covered in the disconnect section 33.2.11.1

IEEE P802.3at D3.0 PoEplus comments

Cl 01 SC 1.3 P13 L11 # 364  
Piers Dawe Avago Technology

Comment Type TR Comment Status A cable

As <http://iee802.org/3/at/public/mar08/3n864.pdf> says, there is an approved work item proposal (NWIP - like a PAR) for developing ISO/IEC TR 29125; the NWIP is at <http://isotc.iso.org/livelink/livelink/fetch/2000/2122/327993/755080/1054034/2541793/JTC001-N-8766.pdf?nodeid=6786149> but I could not see any sign that even a draft TR exists yet.

SuggestedRemedy

As this TR is essential for Type 2 ???CHECK\*\*\*\*, a draft of P802.3at cannot be considered technically complete until it exists

Response Response Status W

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

OBE 478

Cl 33 SC 33.1 P23 L33 # 374  
Piers Dawe Avago Technology

Comment Type TR Comment Status A cable

Text says 'The detection and powering algorithms are likely to be compromised by cabling that is multipoint as opposed to point-to-point, resulting in unpredictable performance and possibly damaged equipment.' while Fig 33-1 and 33-2 shows a medium running past the MDI, shared-medium style.

SuggestedRemedy

First, is 'multipoint' the right word? Isn't that how PONs are? Second, if DTE Power should not be used on shared-medium Ethernet, show the medium coming to but not past the MDI/PI in Fig 33-1 and 33-2

Response Response Status W

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

PONs are not an issue as we don't support power over optics.

Fig 33-1, 33-2 and 33-3 need updated with 'zig-zag' lines running off to the right and by moving the left hand end of the medium line closer to the MDI.

176, 375

Cl 33 SC 33.1.3 P25 L8 # 380  
Piers Dawe Avago Technology

Comment Type TR Comment Status R

Fig 33-3 shows a medium running through a "midspan" and attached to a midspan PSE. The implication is that both AC signals and DC voltages and currents flow through past the midspan PSE. Figure 33-6 shows the PSE powering one side only, and the other isolated by transformers.

SuggestedRemedy

Change one or the other diagram to be consistent, and review the text. If one-sided powering is the norm, then the midspan PSE has two interfaces, a MDI and a MDI/PI.

Response Response Status W

REJECT.

A midspan doesn't have a PHY, therefore it doesn't have an MDI. This is our best effort to illustrate a midspan. Commentor is welcome to submit his own drawing.

Cl 33 SC 33.1.4 P25 L32 # 381  
Piers Dawe Avago Technology

Comment Type TR Comment Status A

A system? What does that mean? A switch? Or just that portion powered/powering via a single MDI?

SuggestedRemedy

Be clearer

Response Response Status W

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Change

"A system defined as either Type 1 or Type 2..."

to

"A power system, consisting of a single PSE, link segment and a single PD, defined as either Type 1 or Type 2..."

IEEE P802.3at D3.0 PoEplus comments

Cl 33 SC 33.7 P89 L18 # 386  
Piers Dawe Avago Technology

Comment Type TR Comment Status R EEE

Text says 'A device implementing Data Link Layer classification shall send power management Protocol Data Units (PDUs) and process PDUs received from the remote device at least once every 30 seconds.' Per common sense and EEE principles, a PD should be allowed to go to sleep, in which case this isn't appropriate.

SuggestedRemedy

Explain how this can work; does the PD retract its claim to Data Link Layer classification, temporarily? Or should the sentence be qualified with 'If not in low power mode' or similar?

Response Response Status W

REJECT.

The 802.1AB standard requires periodic probing, the default of which is once every thirty seconds, this is not an 802.3 requirement.

Cl 33 SC 33.7 P89 L18 # 387  
Piers Dawe Avago Technology

Comment Type TR Comment Status A LIAISON

Text says 'The information supplied by the Power Via MDI TLV defined in IEEE Std 802.1ABT Annex G.3 is superseded by the DTE Power via MDI classification TLV.' So there is a 'Power Via MDI' messaging protocol and a 'DTE Power via MDI classification'? If so, their names and functions are too similar, and this draft looks like an attempt to change 802.1AB, outside of 802.1AB, and without deprecating or obsoleting whatever is currently in 802.1AB. Is 'Power Via MDI' used for anything else?

SuggestedRemedy

If this is 802.1AB work, get the things you want into their draft, not here.

Response Response Status W

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

OBE 504.

Cl 33 SC 33.7 P89 L11 # 388  
Piers Dawe Avago Technology

Comment Type TR Comment Status A LIAISON

TLVs? Are these Slow Protocol TLVs?

SuggestedRemedy

If so, would an annex to 57 be the right place to define them (if not 802.1AB)? Anyway, a PMD-and-below clause seems the wrong place.

Response Response Status W

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

OBE 504.

Cl 33 SC 33.1.4 P25 L40 # 391  
Piers Dawe Avago Technology

Comment Type TR Comment Status A cable

Maximum DC cable current, about half an ampere? is that per cable (bundled) as it says, or per conductor, or per MDI (two conductors each way)?

SuggestedRemedy

Be clearer

Response Response Status W

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Add footnote: I\_cable is the maximum output current per PI in normal powering mode.

Cl 33 SC 33.4.2 P73 L37 # 398  
Piers Dawe Avago Technology

Comment Type TR Comment Status R

802.3 isn't a test standard or a test-equipment standard; we are just defining what we mean by parameters by showing a recipe to measure them. It's up to the test equipment vendor and user to decide what tolerances are needed; 1%, 0.1% or whatever. Test equipment tolerancing evolves gradually over time. A spec with tolerances gets us into a silly game of double bluff: If the result is within 1% is it a pass or a fail? Do I have to cover myself by correcting for the possible uncertainty in my customers 1% equipment? And so on.

SuggestedRemedy

As numbers are precise unless otherwise stated, remove the '+/- 1%' in all the test circuits

Response Response Status W

REJECT.

The 1% is defining the amount of unbalance in the fixture and is necessary information.

IEEE P802.3at D3.0 PoEplus comments

Cl 33 SC 33.4.8 P79 L27 # 399  
 Piers Dawe Avago Technology  
 Comment Type TR Comment Status R  
 Does the Midspan PSE in Fig 33-25 power the cord to its left, its right, or both? Does the connection really extend from one end of it to the other?  
 SuggestedRemedy  
 Be clearer  
 Response Response Status W  
 REJECT.  
 This is the interconnect model and is correct if the left side equipment is a hub/switch/router or PD. It is only intended to show the allowed connections and shows that the Midspan is allowed to 'look' like only one connector. The direction of power feeding is irrelevant as this diagram only addresses the impact of the Midspan on the channel.

Cl 33 SC 33.6 P84 L1 # 402  
 Piers Dawe Avago Technology  
 Comment Type TR Comment Status R RENUMBER  
 I believe that management register specifications are always in Clause 22 or Clause 45 (see 73.8 for an example).  
 SuggestedRemedy  
 Move the bulk of this subclause to Clause 22 or Clause 45 as appropriate  
 Response Response Status W  
 REJECT.  
 This is inline with what 802.3af (802.3-2005 Clause 33) has and is done elsewhere.

Cl 01 SC 1.4 P13 L28 # 404  
 Booth, Brad AMCC  
 Comment Type TR Comment Status A power levels  
 Poor use of reference.  
 Considering 802.3at will become part of the 802.3 standard, having a reference to a past version of the standard as a means to determine between Type 1 and Type 2 is a poor choice.  
 SuggestedRemedy  
 Change reference to the standard to be a reference to the actual power level in IEEE Std. 802.3af.  
 Response Response Status W  
 ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.  
 OBE 274, 275

Cl 33 SC 33.1.4.1 P25 L50 # 405  
 Booth, Brad AMCC  
 Comment Type TR Comment Status A cable  
 Confusing conflict of references. ISO/IEC 11801:1995 Class D cabling is different than ISO/IEC 11801:2002 Class D cabling. The statement that Type 2 requires ISO/IEC 11801:1995 Class D, but that all the components of the cabling system shall comply with ISO/IEC 11801:2002 Class D cabling.  
 SuggestedRemedy  
 Change paragraph to read:  
 Type 2 operation shall require Class D or better cabling as specified in ISO/IEC 11801:2002.  
 Response Response Status W  
 ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.  
 OBE 519

IEEE P802.3at D3.0 PoEplus comments

Cl 33 SC 33.8 P100 L21 # 435  
Barrass, Hugh Cisco

Comment Type TR Comment Status A Loss of Communication

The latter half of this paragraph doesn't make sense:

"If ... for the remote system, a PSE may remove power, a PD shall aLLDPPoEPLocAcknowledge (30.12.1.1.10) attribute in the DTE Power via MDI classification local object class to the enumeration "loss of communications."

*SuggestedRemedy*

Change

a PSE may remove power, a PD shall aLLDPPoEPLocAcknowledge (30.12.1.1.10) attribute in the DTE Power via MDI classification local object class to the enumeration "loss of communications."

To

then the PSE shall set the aLLDPPoEPLocAcknowledge (30.12.1.1.10) attribute in the DTE Power via MDI classification local object class to the enumeration "loss of communications" and may remove power from the PD.

Response Response Status W

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

OBE 153

Cl 33 SC 33.8 P100 L17 # 436  
Barrass, Hugh Cisco

Comment Type TR Comment Status A Loss of Communication

The loss of communication object should be asserted when loss of communication occurs. This has been defined in comment reference \*\*HB-04\*\*

The optional power removal is then defined by a further time following this.

Also, the latter half of the paragraph doesn't make sense:

"If ... for the remote system, a PSE may remove power, a PD shall aLLDPPoEPLocAcknowledge (30.12.1.1.10) attribute in the DTE Power via MDI classification local object class to the enumeration "loss of communications."

*SuggestedRemedy*

Change:

Upon loss of management frame communication, PSEs and PDs shall remain operational using the last acknowledged classification state.

If a loss of management frame communication persists past the LLDP time to live (TTL) timeout value for the remote system (see IEEE Std 802.1AB-200X, subclause 9.5.4) plus an additional delay of 2 x TTL timeout value for the remote system, a PSE may remove power, a PD shall aLLDPPoEPLocAcknowledge (30.12.1.1.10) attribute in the DTE Power via MDI classification local object class to the enumeration "loss of communications."

To

Upon loss of management frame communication, PSEs and PDs shall remain operational using the last acknowledged classification state and the PSE shall set the aLLDPPoEPLocAcknowledge (30.12.1.1.10) attribute in the DTE Power via MDI classification local object class to the enumeration "loss of communications"

If a loss of management frame communication persists for an additional delay of 2 x TTL timeout value for the remote system after the LOSS OF COMMUNICATIONS state has been entered then the PSE may remove power from the PD.

Response Response Status W

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

OBE 153

IEEE P802.3at D3.0 PoEplus comments

Cl 33 SC 33.9.2.3 P102 L7 # 437  
 Barrass, Hugh Cisco

Comment Type **TR** Comment Status **A**  
 33.3.5 "Type 2 PDs shall implement both 2-Event class signature (see 33.3.5.2) and Data Link Layer classification (see 33.7)."

The PICS does not capture the mandatory requirements for a type 2 PD.

*SuggestedRemedy*

Change table to:

PDT2*	Type 2 PD	33.3.5	PD is type 2	O	Y/N
PDCL*	PD Classification	33.3.4	PD supports classification	O	Y/N
			PDT2/M		

Response Response Status **W**

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

OBE, we have accepted Gerry Nadeau's PICS submission.

Cl 33 SC 33.9.3.9 P112 L31 # 438  
 Barrass, Hugh Cisco

Comment Type **TR** Comment Status **A**  
 There are no PICS items for any of the data link layer functions.

*SuggestedRemedy*

Task the editor to add the PICS items.

Response Response Status **W**

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

OBE, we have accepted Gerry Nadeau's PICS submission.

Cl 33 SC 33.7.5 P92 L41 # 439  
 Barrass, Hugh Cisco

Comment Type **TR** Comment Status **A** L2 Timing

This whole section seems to be at odds with 33.7.1 - devices shall send and receive every 30 seconds.

Furhermore a much more rapid response is required if this feature is to be used for any form of dynamic power management (e.g. allocating power for a video call during ring).

*SuggestedRemedy*

Replace the 3 paragraphs with:

An LLDPDU containing a DTE Power via MDI classification TLV shall be sent within 35 seconds of Data Link Layer classification being enabled in a PD as indicated by the variable pd\_dll\_enabled, or in a PSE as indicated by the variable pse\_dll\_enabled. See 33.2.4.4, 33.3.3.3, 33.7.6.2.

An LLDPDU containing a DTE Power via MDI classification TLV with the Acknowledge field set to either "acknowledge" or "non-acknowledge" shall be sent within 30 seconds of receipt of a valid LLDPDU containing a DTE Power via MDI classification TLV with the Requested power value field not equal to the Actual power value field. It is recommended that a PSE that can support dynamic power allocation should respond within 300 milliseconds to such a PDU in normal operation.

An LLDPDU containing a DTE Power via MDI classification TLV with the Acknowledge field set to "not part of acknowledge cycle" shall be sent within 35 seconds of receipt of a valid LLDPDU containing a DTE Power via MDI classification TLV with the Acknowledge field set to either "acknowledge" or "non-acknowledge."

Response Response Status **W**

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

OBE By NH and Denver motions



IEEE P802.3at D3.0 PoEplus comments

Cl 33 SC 33.7.5 P92 L54 # 440  
 Barrass, Hugh Cisco

Comment Type TR Comment Status A L2 Timing

It is necessary that a PD can identify whether it has been connected to a type 2 PSE as rapidly as possible when it is first connected. For example, in some applications, a PD installer may plug the PD into a socket that is far distant from the PSE and will not know whether the port is able to support a high power device until a type 2 PSE is identified. Clearly this is not a problem for L1 classification but it requires a PSE supporting L2 classification to start sending management frames as soon as possible after it has powered the PD.

Clearly this may not be possible in all circumstances - such as during a PSE reboot or if hundreds of PDs are connected simultaneously. The requirement needs to be expressed for "normal operation."

SuggestedRemedy

Add a paragraph at the end of 33.7.5

To allow some PD devices to indicate that they have been connected to a type 2 PSE as rapidly as possible, the PSE shall start sending LLDP management frames including the appropriate power type within 5 seconds of applying power to the PD in normal operation.

Response Response Status W

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

OBE By NH and Denver motions

Cl 33 SC 33.1.4.2 P26 L10 # 475  
 Geoff, Thompson Nortel

Comment Type ER Comment Status A cable

It is an insult to us to call non-compliant systems "these alternate PoE system implementations."

SuggestedRemedy

Change text to read: "these alternate power system implementations."

Response Response Status W

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

OBE 509, note was deleted

Cl 30 SC 30.12.1.1.1 P17 L3 # 479  
 Geoff, Thompson Nortel

Comment Type TR Comment Status A adhocMGMT: Containment

The term or diagram being referred to by the text:

"...among the subordinate managed objects of the containing object." is not at all obvious to me.

I find no text or diagram that gives me any guidance whatsoever as to what would be an appropriate object containment structure for a device of this type. It seems to me that some commonality of object containment is appropriate for interoperable systems.

SuggestedRemedy

Provide a reference containment diagram (or text) and provide a pointer to it from this text.

Response Response Status W

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

OBE by Diab/Thompson Motion passed at 2:51 on 6/27/2008

Cl 33 SC 33.2 P27 L10 # 480  
 Geoff, Thompson Nortel

Comment Type TR Comment Status A

The text:

"A PSE is electrically specified at the point of the physical connection to the cabling. Characteristics, such as the losses due to overvoltage protection circuits, or power supply inefficiencies, after the PI connector are not accounted for in this specification." ...is nonsensical. None of the items mentioned are appropriately placed "after the PI connector" the only thing that is appropriate after the PI would be cabling and the PD. I believe that "overvoltage protection circuits, or power supply inefficiencies" are to be included within the PSE spec and belong on the PSE side of the PI

SuggestedRemedy

Delete the second sentence.

Response Response Status W

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

OBE 125

IEEE P802.3at D3.0 PoEplus comments

Cl 30 SC 30.9 P L # 483  
 Geoff, Thompson Nortel

Comment Type TR Comment Status A *adhoc*

It appears that the draft is not complete with respect to appropriate changes to the existing management clauses in 30.9, 30.10 and their respect annexes. It looks like there was no attempt whatsoever to consider the impact of PoE+ on the existing management. For example, there has been no attribute nor enumeration added within 30.9.1 to indicate whether the PSE is a Type 1 or Type 2 PSE. Also, (at an absolute minimum) P802.3at has moved a number of the references to clause 33 in the current clause 30, these should have been brought up to date. Further, the new attributes created for LLDP of PoE+ don't seem to have particularly aligned to the existing attributes in terms of behaviour or syntax.

*SuggestedRemedy*

Redo the proposed new management attributes for maximum alignment with the existing Layer Management and amend the existing Layer Management for PoE so that it can appropriately cover both PoE and PoE Plus.

Response Response Status W

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

OBE by Diab/Thompson Motion passed at 2:51 on 6/27/2008

Cl 30 SC 30.12.2.1.9 P21 L 6 # 488  
 Ganga, Ilango Intel

Comment Type ER Comment Status A

This attribute returns the PD power value of the remote system, hence change the following sentence as suggested

"where X is the decimal value of aLLDPPoEPLocActualPDPowerValue"

*SuggestedRemedy*

Change to:

where X is the decimal value of aLLDPPoEPRemActualPDPowerValue

Response Response Status W

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Correction done but naming changed per Diab/Thompson Motion passed at 2:51 on 6/27/2008

Cl 33 SC 33.1.4.1 P25 L52 # 489  
 Ganga, Ilango Intel

Comment Type ER Comment Status A

PICS missing for 33.1.4.1 Type 2 cabling requirement

*SuggestedRemedy*

Add PICS for 33.1.4.1

Response Response Status W

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

OBE by acceptance of "802.3at draft PICS 0.3.pdf" by Gerry Nadeau which are accepted by a vote of

Y: 15, N: 0, A: 2

Cl 33 SC 33.2.4.4 P35 L47 # 490  
 Ganga, Ilango Intel

Comment Type ER Comment Status A

PICS

PICS missing for PSE shall meet at least one allowable variable..

*SuggestedRemedy*

Add corresponding PICS

Response Response Status W

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

OBE submission from Gerry Nadeau.

IEEE P802.3at D3.0 PoEplus comments

Cl 33 SC 33.9.3.2 P104 L4 # 491  
 Ganga, Ilango Intel  
 Comment Type ER Comment Status A  
 Incorrect subclause reference for PSE17 through 57.  
 Also missing hyperlinks for subclause references for the following:  
 PD1-33  
 EL1-18  
 PSEEL1-14  
 And all the subsequence PICS till the end of Clause 33  
*SuggestedRemedy*  
 Fix the subclause references and/or hyperlinks for all the PICS in Clause 33 starting PSE17  
 Response Response Status W  
 ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.  
 OBE, we have accepted Gerry Nadeau's PICS submission.

Cl 33 SC 33.7 P89 L1 # 492  
 Ganga, Ilango Intel  
 Comment Type ER Comment Status A PICS  
 Missing PICS for 33.7 Data Link layer classification requirements  
 Also missing PICS for requirements in 33.8  
*SuggestedRemedy*  
 Add PICS corresponding to 33.7 and 33.8  
 Response Response Status W  
 ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.  
 OBE submission from Gerry Nadeau.  
 PICS being redone for entire draft

Cl 33 SC 33.7 P89 L8 # 493  
 Ganga, Ilango Intel  
 Comment Type TR Comment Status R PICS  
 Data link layer classification requirement:  
 "Type 2 PDs that require more than 12.95 W must support  
 Data Link Layer classification (see 33.3.5).Data Link Layer classification is optional for all  
 other devices."  
 Is this "must support" or "shall support"?  
*SuggestedRemedy*  
 Change this to, "shall", if it is a requirement for Type 2 PDs more than...  
 Response Response Status W  
 REJECT.  
 The would be a redundant shall. Section 33.3.5 (referenced in the text) contains the shall  
 statement. This is intended to be introductory text for the DLL section.

Cl 33 SC 33.1.4.1 P26 L1 # 501  
 Diab, Wael Broadcom  
 Comment Type TR Comment Status A cable  
 I am not sure what value the note is adding here. We are either saying that the cabling  
 meets (a) ISO Class D 1995 AND TIA 568-B.2, in which case the note is redundant OR (b)  
 ISO Class D 1995 and the note there is informative about the TIA 5e cabling  
*SuggestedRemedy*  
 If we are doing (b) then please delete the TIA reference in the body of the section and  
 retain the NOTE. If we are doing (a) then please delete the note.  
 Response Response Status W  
 ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.  
 OBE 392, note was deleted

IEEE P802.3at D3.0 PoEplus comments

Cl 33 SC 33.2.2 P27 L28 # 502  
Diab, Wael Broadcom

Comment Type TR Comment Status A

The BLW issue with 100BASE-TX was avoided in 802.3af by disallowing Alternative A solutions. I support work to allow 1000BASE-T and Alternative A 100BASE-TX to work on condition that it does not compromise the integrity of the channel or modify the characteristics of the signal that the PHY sees at its receive MDI from the link partner.

SuggestedRemedy

Either disallow Alternative A midspans or show that the constraints placed on an Alternative A midspan yield a channel and receive characteristics that is identical to that without a midspan for a 100BASE-TX link or a 1000BASE-T link.

Response Response Status W

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Add Note: See Section 33.4.8.2 for Alternative-A Midspans.

frs: Suggest referencing section 33.4.8.2, p81 for alternative-A midspans.

Cl 33 SC 33.1.4.2 P26 L9 # 503  
Diab, Wael Broadcom

Comment Type TR Comment Status A cable

This note has some inaccuracy and does not add any value. Moreover, it is restructuring in terms of what implementations out of the scope can and cannot do. For instance it talks about cables not cabling systems which would include connectors. Furthermore, I would expect the TR being referenced to discuss the parameters under which the derating points were given.

SuggestedRemedy

Please delete the NOTE.

Response Response Status W

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

OBE 509

Cl 30 SC 30 P15 L1 # 521  
Law, David 3Com

Comment Type TR Comment Status A adhocMGMT: Containment

Need to add the containment for the new LLDP objects.

SuggestedRemedy

Update Figure 30-3 and 30-4 and related text as required.

Response Response Status W

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

OBE by Diab/Thompson Motion passed at 2:51 on 6/27/2008

Cl 33 SC 33.2.9 P48 L45 # 523  
Schindler, Fred Cisco Systems

Comment Type TR Comment Status A

The value for TLIM depends on the PSE type.

SuggestedRemedy

Replace the 50 with a type specific value or reference section 33.2.9.8.

Response Response Status W

ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

OBE 324