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| 8802-3/802.3 REVISION REQUEST 1274 |
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REQUESTED REVISION:
STANDARD: 802.3-2012
CLAUSE NUMBER: 33
CLAUSE TITLE: Data Terminal Equipment (DTE) Power via Media
Dependent Interface (MDI)

PROPOSED REVISION TEXT:
Change: The PD shall withstand any voltage from 0 V to 57 V at the PI indefinitely without permanent damage.
To: The PD shall withstand any common-mode voltage from 0 V to 57 V applied to any two sets of two pins at the PI indefinitely without permanent damage. The two pins in each set shall correspond to the balanced twisted wire pairs of the connected link segment

RATIONALE FOR REVISION:
Text in the existing standard is ambiguous and is inconsistent with terminations and usage commonly found in Ethernet equipment. The intent is to require PDs to be able to withstand application of common-mode PoE voltage. Application of 57V DC voltages in across the pins corresponding to the two pairs twisted differentially to form a balanced pair of the link segment would run a DC current across the transformer windings commonly found in BASE-T Ethernet equipment and burn them out.

IMPACT ON EXISTING NETWORKS:
None.

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