P802.3ar Congestion Management Task Force Closing Plenary Meeting Report

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P802.3ar TF Objectives

- 1) Specify a mechanism to limit the rate of transmitted data on an Ethernet link
- 2) Specify a mechanism to support the communication of congestion information
- 3) Minimize throughput reduction in noncongested flows
- 4) Preserve the MAC/PLS service interfaces

Approved by IEEE 802.3 WG on 18-Nov-2004

Activity this week

- Reviewed Kevin Daines' proposed D0.9
 - Collected feedback and edits
- Heard Shreyas Shah presentation:
 - Enhanced Flow Control for Ethernet networks
 - Some concerns about cost and scalability
 - Suggested topic is more appropriate for 802.1
- Appointed Hugh Barrass Editor of P802.3ar

P802.3ar: Motion #2

- Create 802.3ar/D1.0 based on Kevin Daines' D0.9 proposal with comments and edits from the November 2005 meeting and conduct 30day TF ballot prior to the January 2006 interim.
- M: M. Wadekar
- S: S. Barrick
- Y: 17 N: 4 A: 5 (~29 room count)
- **>= 75%**
- Passes

P802.3ar: Motion #3

- "Propose to remove frame rate control mechanism and associated attributes"
- M: P. Agarwal
- S: T. Dineen
- Y: 4 N: 10 A: 11 (~29 room count)
- **>= 75%**
- Fails

Future meetings

- IEEE 802.3 Interim
 - January 2006, TBD
- IEEE 802 Plenary meeting
 - March 5-10, 2006, Denver, Colorado
- IEEE 802.3 Interim
 - May 2006, TBD
- IEEE 802 Plenary meeting
 - July 16-21, 2006, San Diego, California

Thank you!