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7 IEEE 802.22.2[™]-2012 STANDARD COMPLETED FOR INSTALLATION AND

8 DEPLOYMENT OF WIRELESS REGIONAL AREA NETWORKS IN TV BAND WHITE 9 SPACES

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PISCATAWAY, N.J., USA, XX January 2013 – IEEE, the world's largest professional
organization advancing technology for humanity, today announced that the IEEE
802.22[™] Working Group (WG), recipient of the IEEE Standards Association (IEEE-SA)
Emerging Technology Award, has completed and published the IEEE Std. 802.22[™] 2012 for installation and deployment of the IEEE Std. 802.22-2011 based Wireless

16 Regional Area Networks (WRAN) in TV Band white spaces.

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18 IEEE 802.22 systems will provide broadband access to wide regional areas globally and

19 bring reliable and secure high-speed communications to under-served and un-served

20 rural communities, which are estimated to include nearly half of the world's population.

The IEEE Std. 802.22-2011 is the first IEEE 802[®] standard for operation in the

22 Television (TV) white spaces, defined as the available or un-occupied TV channels. It is

also the first IEEE standard that focuses on broadband connectivity in rural areas where

24 most vacant TV channels can be found, thus helping to bridge the "digital divide." The

WhiteSpace Alliance[™] has adopted the IEEE 802.22-2011[™] into its Wi-FAR[™]
specification.

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28 This IEEE 802.22 standard for WRANs takes advantage of the favorable transmission

29 characteristics of the VHF and UHF TV bands to provide broadband wireless access

30 over a large area. Each WRAN delivers 22 Mbps to 29 Mbps typically over 10 km to 30

31 km radius, depending upon the country of deployment, without interfering with reception

- 32 of existing TV broadcast stations.
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34 IEEE Std. 802.22-2011 incorporates advanced cognitive radio capabilities including

35 dynamic spectrum access, incumbent database access and regulatory policies,

36 accurate geolocation techniques, spectrum sensing, spectrum etiquette, and -

37 coexistence for optimal use of the available spectrum.

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The IEEE Std. 802.22.2-2012 will help the deployment of 802.22 systems in a manner that complies with the local regulatory requirements while ensuring that no interference

40 is caused to TV Broadcast systems and licensed auxiliary services. "Publication of the

42 IEEE 802.22.2-2012 Standard will help installation and deployment of IEEE 802.22-

43 2011 Standards based WRANs to bring cost-effective broadband access to rural and

44 remote communities all over the world," said Dr. Apurva N. Mody, Chairman of the IEEE

- 45 802.22 Standards Working Group.
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- 1 Additional information on the standard can be found at the IEEE-SA standards page. To
- 2 purchase IEEE Std. 802.22.2-2012, visit the <u>IEEE Standards Store</u>.
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8 About the IEEE Standards Association

- 9 The IEEE Standards Association, a globally recognized standards-setting body within
- 10 IEEE, develops consensus standards through an open process that engages industry
- 11 and brings together a broad stakeholder community. IEEE standards set specifications
- 12 and best practices based on current scientific and technological knowledge. The IEEE-
- 13 SA has a portfolio of over 900 active standards and more than 500 standards
- 14 under development. For more information visit <u>http://standards.ieee.org/</u>.
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- 16 Deployment of technology defined by the IEEE 802 standard is already globally
- 17 pervasive, driven by the ever-growing needs of networks around the world. New
- application areas are constantly being considered that might leverage the IEEE 802
- 19 family of standards in their networks. To better address the needs of all of these areas,
- 20 the IEEE 802 standard is constantly evolving and expanding. The success of the IEEE
- 21 802 standard—from its inception through today—has been its fair, open, and
- 22 transparent development process.
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