

# IEEE 802.16 Working Group on Broadband Wireless Access



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6 June 2004

Dear IEEE-SA RevCom:

This submittal is an application for approval of P802.16-REVd/D5 (“Draft IEEE Standard for Local and metropolitan area networks - Part 16: Air Interface for Fixed Broadband Wireless Access Systems”).

Attached to this letter, please find the following:

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The draft itself will be included separately in PDF format and supplied to the IEEE Staff Project Editor in FrameMaker format.

This package updates my initial submittal ([IEEE 802.16-04/26](#)) of 12 May. At that time, the second 15-day recirculation was not yet complete. However, in accordance with RevCom requirements, it opened by 14 May. During that recirculation ballot, 9 of the 10 recirculation Disapprove voters changed their vote to Approve. The final tally is 59 Approve, 1 Disapprove, and 2 Abstain. There were no new Disapprove voters. There were also no new Disapprove comments. The one Disapprove voter, Nico van Waes, indicated that he was satisfied the resolutions of all but one of his comments in the first recirculation. He submitted one comment in the second recirculation; this was not a new comment but a request that the Ballot Resolution Committee (BRC) reconsider the previous comment. The BRC did reconsider the comment but again rejected it.

Please feel free to contact me with any questions or concerns.

Sincerely,

Roger B. Marks  
Chair, IEEE 802.16 Working Group on Broadband Wireless Access

**IEEE-SA STANDARDS BOARD  
FORM FOR SUBMITTAL OF PROPOSED STANDARDS**

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**1. PROJECT NUMBER:** P802.16-REVd/D5

**2. DATE:** 6 June 2004

**3. TITLE:** Draft IEEE Standard for Local and metropolitan area networks - Part 16: Air Interface for Fixed Broadband Wireless Access Systems

**4. SPONSOR** (Full name of society/committee): Computer Society/LMSC + Microwave Theory & Techniques Society

**5. BALLOTING COMMITTEE:** IEEE 802.16 Working Group + Microwave Theory and Techniques Society

**6. NAME OF WORKING GROUP:** IEEE 802.16 Working Group on Broadband Wireless Access

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**7. NAME AND ADDRESS OF SUBMITTER**

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**8. DESCRIPTION OF DOCUMENT** (Check one from each column.)

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|--|---|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> New                 | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Standard  | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Full Use (5-year life cycle) |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Revision | <input type="checkbox"/> Recommended Practice   | <input type="checkbox"/> Trial Use (2-year life cycle)           |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Reaffirmation       | <input type="checkbox"/> Guide  |  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Withdrawal          | <input type="checkbox"/> Amendment/Corrigenda to an existing<br>standard (Indicate number and year) _____ |  |

**8A. REAFFIRMATION ONLY:**

The Sponsor confirms that the balloting group agrees that this standard continues to be useful in its current form and contains no significant obsolete or erroneous information.

- Yes       No
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**9. BALLOT INFORMATION**

List the interest categories of **eligible** balloters only. Refer to the IEEE-SA Standards Board Operations Manual and the Working Guide for Submittal of Proposed Standards for the rules of balloting committee classification.

User	18	Producer	25	General Interest	30	Government	5
Interest Category	No.	Interest Category	No.	Interest Category	No.	Interest Category	No.

**SUMMARY OF ELIGIBLE BALLOTS**

	INITIAL BALLOT		RECIRCULATION BALLOT (if applicable)	
	Draft D3 Number	Date Closed: 2004-03-13 Percentage	Draft D5 Number	Date Closed: 2004-05-29 Percentage
Ballots Mailed	80	100%	80	100%
Ballots Returned	62	77	62	77
Affirmatives	50	81	59	98.3
Negatives	11	N/A	01	N/A
Abstentions	01	01	02	03
Reasons for abstentions:	Lack of time = 2		Lack of expertise = 0	
			Other = 0	

**10. RESOLUTION OF COMMENTS AND NEGATIVE VOTES**

All balloting group members, observers, and coordinating groups have been advised of substantive changes made with respect to the balloted draft standard (in response to comments, in resolving negative votes, or for other reasons) and have received copies of all unresolved negative votes with reasons from the negative voter and the rebuttal, and have been advised that they have an opportunity to change their votes.

- A. Have unresolved comments accompanying negative votes been circulated? *Include unresolved negative comments and rebuttal.*       Yes     No     No unresolved comments
- B. Have substantive document changes been circulated?       Yes     No     No substantive changes

**11. COORDINATION ACTIVITY (Not required for reaffirmation)**

Using the abbreviations listed below, indicate the response received from each committee/organization required for coordination and include a copy of the response. Include documentation authorizing coordination by common membership, if applicable.

R = Received		R/C = Received with comment		NR = Not received	
Committee/Organization	Response	Committee/Organization	Response	Committee/Organization	Response
SCC10 (IEEE Dictionary)	NR				
SCC14 (Quantities, Units, & Letter Symbols)	R/C				
IEEE Standards Editorial Staff	R/C				

Indicate below any unresolved problems from coordination activities.

Comments from SCC14 were reviewed and substantially implemented; resulting changes were recirculated without comment.

**12. PATENT/COPYRIGHT and REGISTRATION ISSUES**

- A. Is there any patented material in the proposed standard?  Yes  No  Originally indicated on the PAR, but not included in the final document  
If yes, include letters(s) of assurance from the patent holder.
- B. Is there any copyrighted material in the proposed standard?  Yes  No  
If yes, include copyright release(s).
- C. Is the registration of objects and/or numbers a provision of the proposed standard? If yes, include a proposal for review by the IEEE-SA Registration Authority Committee (RAC).  Yes  No  Already approved by RAC

**13. INTERNATIONAL STANDARDS ACTIVITIES (Not required for reaffirmation)**

- Is this document intended to be the basis of or included in an international standard?  Yes (Explain)  No  
Under review in ITU-R Study Group 9B and ITU-T Study Group 9.

**14. UNIT OF MEASUREMENT (check one)**

- International System of Units (SI) - Metric  Inch/Pound  Both  Not measurement sensitive
- Other \_\_\_\_\_

**15. Source Materials Submitted to IEEE Standards Department**

- A. Have electronic versions of the source documents (text and figures) been provided?  Yes  No Format: FrameMaker
- B. Will a diskette or other online material be required to accompany the published standard?  Yes  No

**16. Submission checklist** (X = included in submittal package N/A = Not applicable)

	<b>Submission Package Item</b>	<b>List URL if online</b>
X	This submittal form	<a href="http://ieee802.org/16/docs/04/80216-04_26r1.pdf">http://ieee802.org/16/docs/04/80216-04_26r1.pdf</a>
X	Ballot summary form(s) (1 per ballot cycle)	<a href="http://ieee802.org/16/docs/04/80216-04_26r1.pdf">http://ieee802.org/16/docs/04/80216-04_26r1.pdf</a>
X	Copies of unresolved negatives & rebuttals	<a href="http://ieee802.org/16/docs/04/80216-04_26r1.pdf">http://ieee802.org/16/docs/04/80216-04_26r1.pdf</a>
X	PAR and PAR approval letter	<a href="http://ieee802.org/16/docs/04/80216-04_26r1.pdf">http://ieee802.org/16/docs/04/80216-04_26r1.pdf</a>
X	Coordination comments and responses	<a href="http://ieee802.org/16/docs/04/80216-04_26r1.pdf">http://ieee802.org/16/docs/04/80216-04_26r1.pdf</a>
X	.pdf of final balloted draft #D5	<a href="http://ieee802.org/16/private/drafts/tgd/P80216-REVd_D5.zip">http://ieee802.org/16/private/drafts/tgd/P80216-REVd_D5.zip</a>
X	Permissions & copyright releases	<a href="http://ieee802.org/16/docs/04/80216-04_26r1.pdf">http://ieee802.org/16/docs/04/80216-04_26r1.pdf</a>
N/A	Delegation of balloting authority	

PROJECT NUMBER:           P802.16-REVd          

DATE:           12 May 2004          

*This draft standard has been developed in accordance with the policies and procedures of the Sponsor and I am authorized by those policies and procedures to make this submittal.*

Chair, IEEE 802.16 WG on Broadband Wireless Access

Signature of Submitter

Title (role in Sponsor)

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**FOR STANDARDS DEPARTMENT USE ONLY**

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Signature of IEEE-SA Officer

IEEE-SA Standards Board Chair

\_\_\_\_\_  
Title

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Date

**Return to:**

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RevCom Secretary  
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12 September 2003

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Re: P802.16-REVd - Standard for Local and metropolitan area networks - Part 16: Air Interface for Fixed Broadband Wireless Access Systems

Dear Paul:

I am pleased to inform you that on 11 September 2003 the IEEE-SA Standards Board approved the above referenced project until 31 December 2006. A copy of the file can be found on our website at <http://standards.ieee.org/board/nes/projects/802-16-REVd.pdf>.

Now that your project has been approved, please forward a roster of participants involved in the development of this project. This request is in accordance with the IEEE-SA Operations Manual, Clause 5.1.2f under Duties of the Sponsor which states:

"Submit annually to the IEEE Standards Department an electronic roster of individuals participating on standards projects"

For your convenience, an Excel spreadsheet for your use has been posted on our website at <http://standards.ieee.org/guides/par/roster.xls>. Please forward this list to me via e-mail at [j.haasz@ieee.org](mailto:j.haasz@ieee.org) no later than 9 December 2003.

Please visit our website, IEEE Standards Development Online (<http://standards.ieee.org/resources/development/index.html>), for tools, forms and training to assist you in the standards development process. Also, we strongly recommend that a copy of your draft be sent to this office for review prior to the final vote by the working group to allow for a quick review by editorial staff before sponsor balloting begins.

If you should have any further questions, please contact me at 732-562-6367 or by email at [j.haasz@ieee.org](mailto:j.haasz@ieee.org).

Sincerely,

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# PAR FORM

**PAR Status:** Revision of Revision PAR  
**PAR Approval Date:** 2003-09-11  
**PAR Signature Page on File:** Yes  
**Review of Standards Development Process:** No

**1. Assigned Project Number:** 802.16-REVd

**2. Sponsor Date of Request:** 2003-06-20

**3. Type of Document:** Standard for

**4. Title of Document:**

**Draft:** Standard for Local and metropolitan area networks - Part 16: Air Interface for Fixed Broadband Wireless Access Systems

**5. Life Cycle:** Full Use

**6. Type of Project:**

**6a. Is this an update to an existing PAR?** Yes

**If Yes: Indicated PAR number/approval date:** P802.16d-12/11/2002

**If Yes: Is this Project in Ballot now?** No

**6b. The Project is a:** Revision of Std 802.16-2001

**7. Contact Information of Working Group:**

**Name of Working Group:** IEEE 802.16 Working Group on Broadband Wireless Access

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**8. Contact Information of Official Reporter (If different than Working Group Chair)**

**Name of Official Reporter:** (if different than WG contact)

**Telephone:** **FAX:**

**Email:**

**9. Contact Information of Sponsoring Society or Standards Coordinating Committee:**

**Name of Sponsoring Society and Committee:** Computer Society Local and Metropolitan Area Networks

**Name of Sponsoring Committee Chair:** Paul Nikolich

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**Name of Liaison Rep. (If different than Sponsor Chair):**

**Telephone:** **FAX:**

**Email:**

**10. The Type of ballot is:** Individual Sponsor Ballot

**Expected Date of Submission for Initial Sponsor Ballot:** 2003-11-21

**11. Fill in Projected Completion Date for Submittal to RevCom:** 2004-03-19

**Explanation for Revised PAR that Completion date is being extended past the original four-year life of the PAR:**

**12. Scope of Proposed Project:**

This revised standard specifies the air interface, including the medium access control layer and multiple physical layer specifications, of fixed broadband wireless access systems supporting multiple services. It consolidates IEEE Standards 802.16, 802.16a, and 802.16c, retaining all modes and major features without adding modes. Content is added or revised to improve performance, ease deployment, or replace incorrect, ambiguous, or incomplete material, including system profiles.

**13. Purpose of Proposed Project:**

This standard enables rapid worldwide deployment of innovative, cost-effective, and interoperable multivendor broadband wireless access products, facilitates competition in broadband access by providing alternatives to wireline broadband access, encourages consistent worldwide spectrum allocations, and accelerates the commercialization of broadband wireless access systems.

**14. Intellectual Property:**

**Sponsor has reviewed the IEEE patent policy with the working group?** Yes

**Sponsor is aware of copyrights relevant to this project?** Yes

**Sponsor is aware of trademarks relevant to this project?** No

**Sponsor is aware of possible registration of objects or numbers due to this project?** No

**15. Are there other documents or projects with a similar scope?** No

**Similar Scope Project Information:**

**16. Is there potential for this document (in part or in whole) to be submitted to an international organization for review/adoption?** Do not Know

**If yes, please answer the following questions:**

**Which International Organization/Committee?**

**International Contact**

**Information?**

**17. If the project will result in any health, safety, or environmental guidance that affects or applies to human health or safety, please explain, in five sentences or less.** No

**18. Additional Explanatory Notes: (Item Number and Explanation)**



February 25, 2000

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Dear Dr. Marks:

I hereby grant permission to the Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers, Inc., to modify the below listed source material and to include the modified or unmodified material in the specified standards project:

802.16.1 Air Interface for Fixed Broadband Wireless Access Systems

**Source material:**

1. Radio Frequency Interface Specification (version 1.1), part of Data-Over-Cable Service Interface Specifications, © Copyright 1999, Cable Television Laboratories  
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2. Baseline Privacy Plus Interface Specification, © Copyright 1999, Cable Television Laboratories.  
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Dorothy Gill Raymond  
Cable Television Laboratories, Inc.  
Senior Vice President and General Counsel

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Date

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**Ballot Summary**

P802.16-REVd

Closing date: 2004-03-13

**1. This ballot has met the 75% returned ballot requirement.**

80 eligible people in this ballot group.

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50 affirmative votes
11 negative votes with comments
 0 negative votes without comments
 1 abstention votes
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62 votes received = 77% returned
                    1% abstention
    
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**2. The 75% affirmation requirement is being met.**

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50 affirmative votes
11 negative votes with comments
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61 votes = 81% affirmative
    
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**Ballot Details**

**Coordination Responses Only**

IEEE/Coord Number	Name	Role	Phone / E-mail	Coordination Ballot Received	Coordination Comment(s) Received
	<a href="#">Bruce Barrow</a>		SCC14	yes	yes
	<a href="#">Editorial Coordinator</a>	Editorial		yes	yes
	<a href="#">SCC10 Coordinator</a>		SCC10	-	-

## IEEE 802.16 Working Group on Broadband Wireless Access

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29 March 2004

Dear P802.16-REVd Balloting Group:

Thank you for your participation in the Sponsor Ballot of P802.16-REVd, which ran from 12 February to 13 March 2004.

A number of comments were submitted. Resolutions were developed by the IEEE 802.16 Working Group on Broadband Wireless Access, acting as the Ballot Resolution Committee, during the Working Group's regularly scheduled session of 15-18 March 2004. 220 people, including 82 of the Working Group's 90 members, attended the session.

As a result of comment resolution, 10 of the 11 original Disapprove voters (Naftali Chayat, Marianna Goldhammer, David Johnston, Tal Kaitz, Jonathan Labs, Yossi Segal, Neil Shipp, Shawn Taylor, Vladimir Yanover, and Cor van de Water) indicated satisfaction with the resolutions and indicated a change in their vote to Approve. At this point, the tally is 60 Approve, 1 Disapprove, 1 Abstain, and 18 not voting. By virtue of these numbers, the ballot is considered to have passed, pending recirculation.

We are requesting that the IEEE Balloting Center initiate a fifteen-day recirculation of the new draft P802.16-REVd/D4 (file **P80216-REVd\_D4delta.pdf**), with all changes indicated, along with the sole outstanding Disapprove comment and its resolution. That comment is detailed on the following page of this letter.

Please take this opportunity to review the material. You are not obligated to reply; if you do not, your current vote will stand. Based on the changes to the draft or on the Disapprove comment and responses, you may change your vote and/or submit additional comments. If you wish to re-vote or comment, please keep the deadline in mind. Instructions have been provided by the IEEE Balloting Center.

If you were one of the voters agreeing to switch from Disapprove to Approve based on comment resolution, I request that you confirm your decision by submitting a ballot.

Sincerely,

Roger Marks  
Chair, IEEE 802.16 Working Group on Broadband Wireless Access

Ballot Group Member: *Nico van Waes*  
Comment Type: *Technical, Binding*  
Starting Page #: *437*

**Comment:**

*It seems that the reader is left to guess what the PHY mod IE is meant for, especially since it's applied so sweepingly even though it's only useful for AAS in certain cases. There is absolutely no use for it in non-AAS cases, except to needlessly increase complexity.*

**Suggested remedy:**

*Make the PHYsical modifier IE mandatory with the implementation of AAS only.  
Allow usage only during the AAS portion of the frame.  
State clearly what its purpose is. State for example that the BS should set each shift to substantially exceed the duration of the major multipath components to allow separate detection of simultaneously received (synchronous) transmissions.*

**Reason for group's decision/resolution:**

*Vote to accept the proposed resolution*

*In favor: 16*

*Against: 13*

*Fails (By Sponsor rules, 75% approval required for change)*

**Reason for rejection:**

*The functionality provided by the physical modifier IE is instrumental in reducing co-channel interference effects in aggressive frequency reuse situations and allows simultaneous reception from more than one subscriber station at a time. These advantages are gained with relatively minor complexity increase in the subscriber station. It is therefore justified to retain this capability as mandatory.*

### Ballot Summary

P802.16-REVd Recirculation/D4

Closing date: 2004-04-15

This is a recirculation ballot. The report collates the results from the following groups: 0000640 0000755.

#### 1. This ballot has met the 75% returned ballot requirement.

80 eligible people in this ballot group.

50 affirmative votes  
 10 negative votes with comments  
 0 negative votes without comments  
 2 abstention votes

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62 votes received = 77% returned  
 3% abstention

#### 2. The 75% affirmation requirement is being met.

50 affirmative votes  
 10 negative votes with comments

=====

60 votes = 83% affirmative

### Ballot Details

#### Coordination Responses Only

IEEE/Coord Number	Name	Role	Phone / E-mail	Coordination Ballot Received	Coordination Comment(s) Received
	<a href="#">Bruce Barrow</a>	SCC14		yes	yes
	<a href="#">Editorial Coordinator</a>	Editorial		yes*	yes
	<a href="#">SCC10 Coordinator</a>				

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12 May 2004

Dear P802.16-REVd Balloting Group:

Thank you for your participation in the Sponsor Ballot of P802.16-REVd. The first recirculation of this ballot ran from 1-15 April 2004. A number of comments were submitted. Resolutions were developed by a Ballot Resolution Committee comprised of the 90 members of the IEEE 802.16 Working Group on Broadband Wireless Access.

As a result of comment resolution, 8 of the 10 recirculation Disapprove voters (Naftali Chayat, Marianna Goldhammer, David Johnston, Tal Kaitz, Vladimir Yanover, Yossi Segal, Shawn Taylor, and Cor van de Water) indicated satisfaction with the resolutions and indicated a change in their vote to Approve. At this point, the tally is 58 Approve, 2 Disapprove, and 2 Abstain. Of the two remaining Disapprove voters, Neil Shipp is satisfied with the resolutions of his comments but has not yet indicated an intent to vote Approve. Nico van Waes has not responded to the comment resolutions yet. By virtue of the voting numbers, the ballot is considered to have passed, pending recirculation.

We are requesting that the IEEE Balloting Center initiate a fifteen-day recirculation of the new draft P802.16-REVd/D5, along with the four outstanding Disapprove comments (all from Nico van Waes) and their resolution. Those comment are detailed on the following pages.

Please take this opportunity to review the material. You are not obligated to reply; if you do not, your current vote will stand. Based on the *changes* to the draft or on the Disapprove comments and responses, you may change your vote and/or submit additional comments. If you wish to re-vote or comment, please keep the deadline in mind. Instructions have been provided by the IEEE Balloting Center.

If you were one of the voters agreeing to switch from Disapprove to Approve based on comment resolution, I request that you confirm your decision by submitting a ballot.

Sincerely,

Roger Marks  
Chair, IEEE 802.16 Working Group on Broadband Wireless Access

## Ballot Summary

P802.16-REVd 2nd Recirculation/D5

Closing date: 2004-05-29

This is a recirculation ballot. The report collates the results from the following groups: 0000640 0000755 0000788.

### 1. This ballot has met the 75% returned ballot requirement.

80 eligible people in this ballot group.

59 affirmative votes  
1 negative votes with comments  
0 negative votes without comments  
2 abstention votes

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62 votes received = 77% returned  
3% abstention

### 2. The 75% affirmation requirement is being met.

59 affirmative votes  
1 negative votes with comments

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60 votes = 98% affirmative

## Ballot Details

### Coordination Responses Only

IEEE/Coord Number	Name	Role	Phone / E-mail	Coordination Ballot Received	Coordination Comment(s) Received
	<a href="#">Bruce Barrow</a>	SCC14		yes	yes
	<a href="#">Editorial Coordinator</a>	Editorial		yes	yes
	<a href="#">SCC10 Coordinator</a>	SCC10		-	-

Document under Review: **P802.16-REVd/D4**Ballot Number: **0000755**

Comment Date

Comment # **004**

Comment submitted by: Nico

van Waes

Member

2004/04/15

Comment	Type	Technical, Binding	Starting Page #	1	Starting Line #	Fig/Table#	Section
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The removal of the lower limit on applicable frequencies violates the 16-REVd PAR.

The scope of the 16-REVd PAR reads:

*This revised standard specifies the air interface, including the medium access control layer and multiple physical layer specifications, of fixed broadband wireless access systems supporting multiple services. It consolidates IEEE Standards 802.16, 802.16a, and 802.16c, retaining all modes and major features without adding modes. Content is added or revised to improve performance, ease deployment, or replace incorrect, ambiguous, or incomplete material, including system profiles.*

The scope of the 16a PAR reads:

*This standard specifies the physical layer and medium access control layer of the air interface of interoperable fixed point-to-multipoint (and, in license-exempt bands, optional mesh topology) broadband wireless access systems (e.g., those supporting data rates of DS1/E1 or greater). The specification enables access to data, video, and voice services with a specified quality of service in licensed bands designated for public network access and license-exempt bands. It applies to systems operating between 2 and 11 GHz, where such services are permitted. This Amendment expands the scope of the IEEE Standard 802.16 by extending it to bands between 2-11 GHz, whereas the scope of the original project was limited to 10-66 GHz.*

From the 16a PAR, it is clear that the scope is limited to 2-11 GHz whereas the scope of the original project was 10-66 GHz. The total scope of the revision is hence 2-66 GHz, with permitted modifications as per the 16-REVd PAR. The 16-REVd PAR allows modifications which are not deletions of modes or features or additions of modes, but which fall into the category of performance improvements, deployment easements, or replacement of ambiguous, incorrect or incomplete material.

The removal of the lower frequency limit is not a performance improvement. It also is not related to easing deployment. The language in the standard limiting the frequency band was neither ambiguous, incorrect (as it adhered to the 16a PAR) or incomplete. The removal of this language therefore violates the 16-REVd PAR.

The notion that this limit could be deleted because it is not explicitly called out is nonsense. The requirement that a scope statement be limited to 5 lines of text makes it per definition impossible to crunch all components of the scopes of multiple PARs (the original standard and the various amendments) into a single scope. The notion is also not relevant, because the 16-REVd PAR states explicitly what is open for revision. The frequency limit removal falls in none of those categories.

As a matter of principle, it is important for scopes of Revisions (or any project for that matter) to be interpreted narrowly, as the precedent of an open-ended interpretation makes the undertaking of a Revision too risky for the members of most WGs to consider. The result will be a standards-process in which WGs produce increasingly unreadable amendments with occasional affirmation ballots and refuse to produce regular revisions for fear of leaving legal loopholes to be exploited (something already somewhat evident in certain 802 WGs).



**2004/05/12**

**IEEE 802.16-04/20r11**

Suggested Remedy

Undo changes implemented per comments:

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Proposed Resolution

Recommendation: **Accepted**

Recommendation by [Nico van Waes](#)

Undo changes implemented per comments:

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#### Reason for Recommendation

The notion that the majority view is in favor of this is irrelevant, because the majority also was in favor of the PARs when those were established. A PAR is a document that binds and limits the WG, and can only be adjusted for the changing view of the WG (which is evident) by changing the language of the PAR itself.

The notion that it is an informative item is nonsense. One could in the same fashion claim that this standard is applicable to WLANs, PANs, satellite communications etc, since applicability is supposedly informative anyway. With varying effectiveness, a communication system can after all be used for just about any application.

As noted before, the 2 GHz limit does not need to be in the REVd PAR, because the REVd PAR limits the changes that can be made to the standard as based on previous PARs. The notion that it eases deployment is a transparent excuse. There is not a single country that does have frequency bands for broadband fixed access available below 2 GHz but not between 2 and 11 GHz (though the contrary is true in various nations). That premise hence already falls apart on first inspection. Naturally, one cannot logically claim ease of deployment for instances that were strictly outside the scope of the standard as originally written.

Decision of Group **Rejected**

#### Resolution of Group

BRC Vote - Accept: 0 / Reject: 51 / Abstain: 1  
Approval Ratio: 0

Rationale (by the Working Group Chair; not reviewed by Ballot Resolution Committee):

*This comment was rejected by unanimous vote of the Ballot Resolution Committee (0 Accept, 51 Reject).*

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*The P802.16-REVd PAR Scope does not limit the standard to frequencies above 2 GHz, so lower frequencies are within the Scope. Also, the Scope says that content may be added to "ease deployment." Operation below 2 GHz could certainly ease deployment in some cases, such as when only such frequencies are available."*

Document under Review: **P802.16-REVd/D5**Ballot Number: **0000788**

Comment Date

Comment # **380**

Comment submitted by: Nico

van Waes

Member

2004-05-29

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	Technical, Binding	1			

The contrived group rationale for rejection of comment 004 as listed 802.16-04/20r11 was already entirely refuted in the Reason for Recommendation as provided with the comment. There seems hence little need to provide further argumentation beyond pointing to the original comment and Reason for Recommendation.

**Suggested Remedy**

Reconsider comment 004.

**Proposed Resolution****Recommendation:****Recommendation by****Reason for Recommendation****Resolution of Group****Decision of Group: Rejected****Reason for Group's Decision/Resolution**

Comment was considered by the Ballot Resolution Committee and put to a vote of that group. Results was 2 to Accept, 38 to Reject, 0 Abstain. The acceptance ration of 5.0% was less than the 75% minimum consensus required to make a change, according to Sponsor rules Policies and Procedures.

Additional explanation added by the Working Group Chair: The explanation for rejection of Comment 004 from the first recirculation was included in the second recirculation. It read "*The P802.16-REVd PAR Scope does not limit the standard to frequencies above 2 GHz, so lower frequencies are within the Scope. Also, the Scope says that content may be added to "ease deployment." Operation below 2 GHz could certainly ease deployment in some cases, such as when only such frequencies are available.*" The first of these two points regards the assertion that the scope of this revision project is limited by restrictions in the scope of the standards upon which this revision project is based, even though those restrictions are not present in the PAR for this revision project. This is an incorrect analysis. The electronic PAR form <<http://standards.ieee.org/guides/par/ePARform.html>> includes instructions for completion. Under "Scope," the instructions read "FOR REVISED DOCUMENTS ONLY - Please detail the projected output including the scope of the original document, amendments, and additions." This makes clear that the scope statement of the revision is complete in and of itself. In other words, the scope of the revision project is wholly defined in the PAR for the revision project. Therefore, the scope of the revision project is not restricted by limits imposed in PARs of the standards which the project is revising.

**Group's Notes****Group's Action Items****Editor's Notes****Editor's Actions**

Document under Review: **P802.16-REVd**Ballot Number: **0000640**

Comment Date

Comment # **007**

Comment submitted by: Michelle

Turner

Other

2204-03-02

Comment	Type	Editorial	Starting Page #	iv	Starting Line #	Fig/Table#	Section
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Upon editorial review of IEEE P802.16-REVd/D3.1, I have the following comments.

1) In the introduction the sentence should appear as follows

(This introduction is not part of IEEE P802.16-REVd, title.)

2) If figures and tables were derived or obtained from sources other than the Working Group, please obtain and supply permission from the appropriate sources. Please see Clause 7 of the IEEE Style Manual for text required when trademarks or patents exists.

3) At the time of RevCom submittal please remember to supply a separate electronic file for each graphic in TIFF, GIF, EPS, or WMF formats.

#### Suggested Remedy

Proposed Resolution	Recommendation:	Recommendation by
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#### Reason for Recommendation

Resolution of Group	Decision of Group: Accepted
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The implementation of this comment will be done following the implementation of comment #3

#### Reason for Group's Decision/Resolution

#### Group's Notes

#### Group's Action Items

Editor's Notes	Editor's Actions
	1) none needed

#### Editor's Questions and Concerns

#### Editor's Action Items

Document under Review: **P802.16-REVd**Ballot Number: **0000640**

Comment Date

Comment # **002**

Comment submitted by: James

Frysinger

Other

2004-03-13

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Throughout: Signal levels are to be specified in dB, according to various clauses. I could not readily find in this 811 page document the base level to which those log ratios would be calculated. I suggest that due to the massive nature of the document, the basis for such levels be given with the requirements.

**Suggested Remedy**

Proposed Resolution

Recommendation:

Recommendation by

**Reason for Recommendation**

Resolution of Group

Decision of Group: **Accepted-Modified**

Make the following changes:

Page 45, line 26:

change :

"Transmit power (dB~~m~~)"

Page 756, line 1:

change:

"In Table B.23, the thermal noise level has been assumed  $-204$  dB~~W~~/Hz whereas the Rx noise factor is assumed to be 5 dB."

**Reason for Group's Decision/Resolution****Group's Notes****Group's Action Items****Editor's Notes****Editor's Actions** k) done**Editor's Questions and Concerns****Editor's Action Items**

Document under Review: **P802.16-REVd**Ballot Number: **0000640**

Comment Date

Comment # **070**

Comment submitted by: James

Frysiner

Other

2004-03-13

Comment	Type	Starting Page #	Starting Line #	Fig/Table#	Section
SCC14 comments on P802.16-REVd/D3-2004	Editorial/Coordination	43			6.3.2.1.1.2

6.3.2.1.1.2, et al., p. 43 et seq: The symbol Mbps is used for megabits per second. The correct symbol is Mb/s if the intent is to symbolize 1 000 000 bits per second. If, however, 10242 bits per second are intended, the symbol would be Mib/s, for mebibits per second. The context suggests that the latter may be the case; error rates are calculated on a basis of 256 bits. Note that in table 143 (in clause 8.1.6) the symbol Mbit/s is used. [ref: SI 10-2002 clause 3.5.3.2, IEEE Std 1541]

**Suggested Remedy**

Proposed Resolution	Recommendation:	Recommendation by
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**Reason for Recommendation**

Resolution of Group	Decision of Group: <b>Accepted-Modified</b>
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Use the term Mbps for mega bits per second throughout the document

**Reason for Group's Decision/Resolution****Group's Notes****Group's Action Items**

Editor's Notes	Editor's Actions
	k) done

also added definitions  
Mbps megabit per second  
MBdps megabaud per second

Changed MSymbol/s to MBdps

**Editor's Questions and Concerns****Editor's Action Items**

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Comment Date

Comment # **230**

Comment submitted by: James

Frysinger

Other

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Comment Type **Editorial/Coordination**

Starting Page # **331**

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Fig/Table# **147**

Section **8.1.8.1.1**

SCC14 comments on P802.16-REVd/D3-2004

In table 147 and in this clause, B is used for the symbol for channel symbol rate in MBd. Note that this is the symbol for byte. So, the entries 400/B and 800/B in the table seem at first glance to be awry. Could a different symbol be used for channel symbol rate? It would help, of course, if the practice of putting quantity symbols in slanted type to distinguish them from unit symbols (in upright type) were followed. In 8.2.3.2, the quantity symbol SR is apparently used to mean the same thing. Or is this somehow a different quantity?

**Suggested Remedy**

SCC14 comments on P802.16-REVd/D3-2004

In table 147 and in this clause, B is used for the symbol for channel symbol rate in MBd. Note that this is the symbol for byte. So, the entries 400/B and 800/B in the table seem at first glance to be awry. Could a different symbol be used for channel symbol rate? It would help, of course, if the practice of putting quantity symbols in slanted type to distinguish them from unit symbols (in upright type) were followed. In 8.2.3.2, the quantity symbol SR is apparently used to mean the same thing. Or is this somehow a different quantity?

**Proposed Resolution**

**Recommendation:**

**Recommendation by**

**Reason for Recommendation**

**Resolution of Group**

**Decision of Group: Accepted-Modified**

Section 8.1.8.1.1

Change every instace of "B" with "R"

**Reason for Group's Decision/Resolution**

**Group's Notes**

**Group's Action Items**

**Editor's Notes**

**Editor's Actions** k) done

**Editor's Questions and Concerns**

**Editor's Action Items**



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Comment # **250**

Comment submitted by: James

Frysinger

Other

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**8.2.3.2**

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The unit symbol Msymb/s is used. How does this differ from Mbd?

Suggested Remedy

Proposed Resolution

Recommendation:

Recommendation by

Reason for Recommendation

Resolution of Group

Decision of Group: **Accepted-Modified**

Throughout the document replace "Msymb" with "MBd" where appropriate

Reason for Group's Decision/Resolution

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Group's Action Items

Editor's Notes

Editor's Actions [k\) done](#)

Editor's Questions and Concerns

Editor's Action Items

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Comment # **373**

Comment submitted by: James

Frysinger

Other

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Comment	Type	Starting Page #	Starting Line #	Fig/Table#	Section
SCC14 comments on P802.16-REVd/D3-2004	Editorial/Coordination	581			8.4.13.3

The symbol dBm is used. The proper unit symbol is dB. If there is a need to distinguish the quantity, it should be done with the quantity name and symbol, not the unit name and symbol. [ref: SI 10-2002 clause 3.5.5]

**Suggested Remedy**

Proposed Resolution	Recommendation:	Recommendation by
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Reason for Recommendation

Resolution of Group	Decision of Group:
	<b>Accepted</b>

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Group's Notes

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Editor's Notes      Editor's Actions    e) editor disagrees

This comment was entered by mistake under the editorial block.  
I don't agree with the comment and think that dBm is more appropriate in the specific context since it referred an absolute value and not a relative value.

Editor's Questions and Concerns

Editor's Action Items

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Comment # **374**

Comment submitted by: James

Frysinger

Other

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Comment Type **Editorial/Coordination** Starting Page # **581** Starting Line #

Fig/Table# Section **8.4.14.1**

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The symbol ppm is used. This should be avoided. [ref: SI 10-2002 clause 3.4.8]

**Suggested Remedy**

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The symbol ppm is used. This should be avoided. [ref: SI 10-2002 clause 3.4.8]

Proposed Resolution Recommendation: Recommendation by

Reason for Recommendation

Resolution of Group Decision of Group: **Accepted**

Reason for Group's Decision/Resolution

Group's Notes

Group's Action Items

Editor's Notes Editor's Actions e) editor disagrees

This comment was entered by mistake under the editorial block.  
This is not the only place which ppm is used. No appropriate substitute symbol is suggested.

Editor's Questions and Concerns

Editor's Action Items

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Comment Date

Comment # **431**

Comment submitted by: James

Frysinger

Other

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Comment	Type	Starting Page #	Starting Line #	Fig/Table#	Section
SCC14 comments on P802.16-REVd/D3-2004	Editorial/Coordination	650			11.13.9

In the display table, the value shown is "B (bytes)". Is that B meant to be the accepted symbol for byte? If so, there should be no need to indicate its meaning. On the other hand, if this is the "B" referred to in 8.1.8.1.1, then the units for the channel symbol rate, *B*, should be in bauds. (No slanted type was used in the standard; that was done here for clarity.)

**Suggested Remedy**

Proposed Resolution	Recommendation:	Recommendation by
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**Reason for Recommendation**

Resolution of Group	Decision of Group: <b>Accepted-Modified</b>
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Page 650, line 39, change :  
"Burst size (bytes)"

**Reason for Group's Decision/Resolution**

**Group's Notes**

**Group's Action Items**

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**Editor's Questions and Concerns**

**Editor's Action Items**

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Comment Date

Comment # **432**

Comment submitted by: James

Frysjer

Other

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Comment	Type	Editorial/Coordination	Starting Page #	651	Starting Line #	Fig/Table#	Section	11.13.10
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Various unit symbol usages here are not in accordance with standards. The symbol for second is s, not sec; the latter is an abbreviation and not a symbol. This clause mixes a name and a abbreviation with a solidus (bits/sec). The proper form would be b/s or bits per second. [ref: SI 10-2002 clause 3.5.3.2, table A.1; IEEE Std 1541]

**Suggested Remedy**

SCC14 comments on P802.16-REVd/D3-2004

Various unit symbol usages here are not in accordance with standards. The symbol for second is s, not sec; the latter is an abbreviation and not a symbol. This clause mixes a name and a abbreviation with a solidus (bits/sec). The proper form would be b/s or bits per second. [ref: SI 10-2002 clause 3.5.3.2, table A.1; IEEE Std 1541]

**Proposed Resolution****Recommendation:****Recommendation by****Reason for Recommendation****Resolution of Group****Decision of Group: Accepted****Reason for Group's Decision/Resolution****Group's Notes****Group's Action Items****Editor's Notes****Editor's Actions** |) none needed**Editor's Questions and Concerns****Editor's Action Items**

Document under Review: **P802.16-REVd/D4**Ballot Number: **0000755**

Comment Date

Comment # **370**

Comment submitted by: James R.

Frysinger

Other

2004-04-07

Comment	Type	Coordination	Starting Page #	999	Starting Line #	Fig/Table#	Section
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Two forms of expression for bits per second are used, both of which are not in accordance with the standards for forming the quotient of two units. One is Mbps (as in clause 1.3.1 and elsewhere) and one is bits/s (as in equation 7 of clause 6.4.2.4.38 and elsewhere). The solidus should be used in lieu of "p" to indicate division of units in symbolic form and "per" should be used when unit names are spelled out, and then all unit names should be spelled out. Thus, we would have Mb/s and b/s (or bits per second).

Throughout the document, dBm is used. Units are not modified to indicate the nature of the quantity. Nor are logarithmic units modified to indicate reference level. In each case, the quantity name or symbol is modified. (See IEEE Std 260.1-2003, in press, for examples of the latter matter.)

Throughout the document ppm is used. This has an ambiguous meaning since "million" has ambiguous meaning. It would be better to use a quotient. For example, in Table 155, one could use ms/s (microsecond per second) for the units of the time value.

In equation 124 of clause 8.4.11.2, the unit mWatt appears. The proper form would be either mW or milliwatt.

Possibly due to an artifact of the PDF making process, there appears to be an extraneous space in the expression 200 ms in table 347. It seems to be written as 200 m s.

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#### Suggested Remedy

**Proposed Resolution**      **Recommendation: Accepted-Modified**      **Recommendation by** Roger Marks

\* Throughout the draft, replace all instances of "Mbps" with "Mb/s" and "bps" with "b/s".

\* Throughout the draft, replace all instances of "mWatt" with "mW"

\* Change "5GHz" to "5 GHz" at Page 319 Line 26 and Page 557 Line 21

\* Address "ppm" comment by making the following changes:

- Page 318 Line 61 - change:

"shall have an absolute accuracy better than  $\pm 10$  ppm" to:

"shall have an accuracy better than  $\pm 10 \times 10^{-6}$ "

- Page 318 Line 64 - change:

"absolute carrier frequency accuracy for the BS shall be better than  $\pm 8$  ppm" to:  
"carrier frequency accuracy for the BS shall be better than  $\pm 8 \cdot 10^{-6}$ "

- Page 319 Line 1 - change:

"carrier frequency accuracy for the BS shall be  $\pm 8$  ppm." to:  
"carrier frequency accuracy for the BS shall be better than  $\pm 8 \cdot 10^{-6}$ ."

- Page 319 Line 4 - change:

"The relative accuracy of the SS shall be better than  $\pm 1$  ppm with respect to the BS." to:  
"The carrier frequency of the SS shall be within  $\pm 1 \cdot 10^{-6}$  of that of the BS."

- Page 319 Line 53 - change:

"The Tx symbol timing accuracy shall be within  $\pm 8$  ppm of its nominal value" to:  
"The Tx symbol timing shall be accurate to within  $\pm 8 \cdot 10^{-6}$ "

- Page 319 Line 56 - change:

" $\pm 8$  ppm" to:  
" $\pm 8 \cdot 10^{-6}$ "

- Page 396 Line 40 - change:

"RF channel frequency accuracy for an SS shall be within  $\pm 15$  ppm of the selected RF carrier" to:  
"RF channel frequency accuracy for an SS shall be within  $\pm 15 \cdot 10^{-6}$  of the selected RF carrier"

- Page 396 Line 42 - change:

"The frequency accuracy for a BS shall be within  $\pm 8$  ppm of the selected RF carrier" to:  
"The frequency accuracy for a BS shall be within  $\pm 8 \cdot 10^{-6}$  of the selected RF carrier"

- Page 462 Line 55 - change:

"all devices shall have a  $\pm 20$  ppm maximum frequency tolerance" to:  
"all device frequencies shall be accurate to within  $\pm 20 \cdot 10^{-6}$ "

- Page 555 Line 55 - change:

"At the BS the reference frequency tolerance shall be  $\pm 2$  ppm. " to:  
"At the BS, the reference frequency accuracy shall be better than  $\pm 2 \cdot 10^{-6}$ ."

- Page 555 Line 52 - change:

"all devices shall have a  $\pm 20$  ppm maximum frequency tolerance" to:  
"all device frequencies shall be accurate to within  $\pm 20 \cdot 10^{-6}$ "

- Page 661 Line 48 - change:

"Tx RF frequency accuracy  $\pm 10$  ppm" to:  
"Tx RF frequency accuracy  $\pm 10 \cdot 10^{-6}$ "

- Page 667 Line 5 - change:

"Tx RF frequency accuracy  $\pm 10$  ppm" to:

"Tx RF frequency accuracy  $\pm 10 \times 10^{-6}$ "

- Page 672 Line 20 - change:

"RF frequency accuracy  $\pm 15$  ppm of RF frequency" to:

"RF frequency accuracy  $\pm 15 \times 10^{-6}$ "

- Page 673 Line 54 - change:

"Reference frequency tolerance, BS  $\pm 8$  ppm" to:

"Reference frequency accuracy, BS  $\pm 8 \times 10^{-6}$ "

- Page 686 Line 22 - change:

"Reference frequency tolerance, BS  $\pm 8$  ppm" to:

"Reference frequency accuracy, BS  $\pm 8 \times 10^{-6}$ "

- Page 686 Line 23 - change:

"Reference frequency tolerance, Mesh system  $\pm 20$  ppm" to:

"Reference frequency accuracy, Mesh system  $\pm 20 \times 10^{-6}$ "

- Page 698 Line 29 - change:

"Reference frequency tolerance, BS  $\pm 1$  ppm" to:

"Reference frequency accuracy, BS  $\pm 1 \times 10^{-6}$ "

- Page 701 Line 35 - change:

"Reference frequency tolerance, BS  $\pm 4$  ppm" to:

"Reference frequency accuracy, BS  $\pm 4 \times 10^{-6}$ "

- Page 699 Line 61 - change:

"Reference frequency tolerance, BS  $\pm 4$  ppm" to:

"Reference frequency accuracy, BS  $\pm 4 \times 10^{-6}$ "

- Page 702 Line 35 - change:

"Reference frequency tolerance, BS  $\pm 4$  ppm" to:

"Reference frequency accuracy, BS  $\pm 4 \times 10^{-6}$ "

- Page 700 Line 34 - change:

"Reference frequency tolerance, BS  $\pm 4$  ppm" to:

"Reference frequency accuracy, BS  $\pm 4 \times 10^{-6}$ "

- Page 703 Line 35 - change:

"Reference frequency tolerance, BS  $\pm 4$  ppm" to:

"Reference frequency accuracy, BS  $\pm 4 \times 10^{-6}$ "

- Page 701 Line 35 - change:

"Reference frequency tolerance, BS  $\pm 4$  ppm" to:

- Page 704 Line 35 - change:

"Reference frequency tolerance, BS  $\pm 4$  ppm" to:

"Reference frequency accuracy, BS  $\pm 4 \times 10^{-6}$  to:

#### Reason for Recommendation

We accept the important advisory role of SCC14 in reviewing IEEE-SA drafts and appreciate the careful scrutiny. We recognize the importance of following guidance on proper usage of units and symbols.

We agree with the remarks regarding "b/s", "ppm", and "mW" and will implement them.

Regarding the comment about "200 m s" in table 347, there is nothing like this in that table. Perhaps Table 247 was intended? There, no space exists between the "m" and "s". In fact, a search of "200 m s" turns up nothing in the draft.

Regarding dBm, we have considered the comment and the reference to IEEE Std 260.1. However, we are declining to implement this suggestion. The use of "dBm" is consistent with common industry practice when expressing power levels in dB referenced to 1 mW. This usage is readily understood by anyone of ordinary skill in the art. "dBm" is accurately and consistently used in countless pages of standards, datasheets, articles, and textbooks in the industry. It is also extensively used in instruments, components, and software tools for these industries. "dBm" is also defined (as



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"Decibels relative to 1 milliwatt") in The IEEE Standard Dictionary of Electrical and Electronics Terms Sixth Edition (IEEE Std 100-1996).

See also Comment 002.

**Resolution of Group**

**Decision of Group: Accepted**

**Reason for Group's Decision/Resolution**

BRC Vote - Accept: 21 / Reject: 0 / Abstain: 7  
Approval Ratio: 1

**Group's Notes**

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**Editor's Notes**

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