4PID Ad hoc Report

IEEE 802.3: 4PPOE Task Force

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Ad Hoc Report

- Meeting held 24 Feb 2015, 17 attendees
- 2 Presentations (one in reserve)
  - <u>4PID Ad Hoc – Review</u> (G. Zimmerman)
    - Link is to version updated with meeting notes
  - 4PID and Detection (D. Dwelley)
- Vigorous and useful discussion on where we are, what we agree on, and what we don't (see posted <u>minutes</u>)

Discussion Summary - Agreements

- Agreement: Connection Check (CC) is part of or prestep for 4PID, and DA has the ball on that for a next turn of text.
  - Output of CC is ['are the two pair sets connected'] - 'Possible Option 1' or 'Possible Option 2'
  - Determining invalidity is a separate step.
  - CC is a test in our toolbox, useful for multiple things: used for 4PID, to interpret results of class, and possibly DC disconnect or other functions.
- Agreement – 4PID can be expressed logically as: (valid_detect_A)*(valid_detect_B)*(CC=Option 1) + (valid_detect_A)*(valid_detect_B)*(CC=Option 2)* [x?]

Discussion Summary - Disagreements

- Disagreement is on what condition "x" is:
  - View 1: x = TRUE (unconditional) [with secondary test optional]
  - View 2: x = (when one pair set is powered)*(unpowered pair set = valid_sig)
    - Always FALSE if unpowered pair set is required to have invalid signature
    - Agreed – fully at compliant option 2 PDs will give x=FALSE.
    - Asserted: Test has value because it enables 4P powering of pre-standard (not full at) 4P capable PDs are enabled by unpowered pair set = valid_sig.
    - Alternative: use enforcement of classification power levels to exclude fully at compliant option 2 PDs that View 2 would give x=FALSE.
- Next Step: Proponents to work offline to resolve/narrow disagreement.