

Agenda and General Information

Contingent Interim Task Force Meeting – May 4, 2017
Teleconference Call

IEEE 802.3cb Task Force

2.5 Gb/s and 5 Gb/s Backplane

Dan Smith, Chairman
Seagate Technology

Agenda

- Appointment of Recording Secretary
- Attendance and Voter Participation Verification
 - Check participant names and code numbers against registration information
- Approve Agenda:
- Approve Minutes:
 - 802.3cb Task Force Minutes for Mar-2017
Task Force minutes during Plenary, Vancouver, BC
- Ballot Report
- Preliminary Meeting Details
 - Patent policy, Guidelines, Ground rules, Decorum
- Draft 2.4 WGB Recirculation comment resolution
- Motions and Closing Business
- Future Meetings
- Adjournment

Participants, Patents, and Duty to Inform

All participants in this meeting have certain obligations under the IEEE-SA Patent Policy.

- Participants [Note: Quoted text excerpted from IEEE-SA Standards Board Bylaws subclause 6.2]:
 - “Shall inform the IEEE (or cause the IEEE to be informed)” of the identity of each “holder of any potential Essential Patent Claims of which they are personally aware” if the claims are owned or controlled by the participant or the entity the participant is from, employed by, or otherwise represents
 - “Should inform the IEEE (or cause the IEEE to be informed)” of the identity of “any other holders of potential Essential Patent Claims” (that is, third parties that are not affiliated with the participant, with the participant’s employer, or with anyone else that the participant is from or otherwise represents)
- The above does not apply if the patent claim is already the subject of an Accepted Letter of Assurance that applies to the proposed standard(s) under consideration by this group
- Early identification of holders of potential Essential Patent Claims is strongly encouraged
- No duty to perform a patent search

Patent Related Links

All participants should be familiar with their obligations under the IEEE-SA Policies & Procedures for standards development.

Patent Policy is stated in these sources:

IEEE-SA Standards Boards Bylaws

<http://standards.ieee.org/develop/policies/bylaws/sect6-7.html#6>

IEEE-SA Standards Board Operations Manual

<http://standards.ieee.org/develop/policies/opman/sect6.html#6.3>

Material about the patent policy is available at

<http://standards.ieee.org/about/sasb/patcom/materials.html>

If you have questions, contact the IEEE-SA Standards Board Patent Committee
Administrator at patcom@ieee.org or visit
<http://standards.ieee.org/about/sasb/patcom/index.html>

This slide set is available at
<https://development.standards.ieee.org/myproject/Public/mytools/mob/slideset.ppt>

Call for Potentially Essential Patents

- If anyone in this meeting is personally aware of the holder of any patent claims that are potentially essential to implementation of the proposed standard(s) under consideration by this group and that are not already the subject of an Accepted Letter of Assurance:
 - Either speak up now or
 - Provide the chair of this group with the identity of the holder(s) of any and all such claims as soon as possible or
 - Cause an LOA to be submitted

Other Guidelines for IEEE WG Meetings

- **All IEEE-SA standards meetings shall be conducted in compliance with all applicable laws, including antitrust and competition laws.**
 - **Don't discuss the interpretation, validity, or essentiality of patents/patent claims.**
 - **Don't discuss specific license rates, terms, or conditions.**
 - Relative costs, including licensing costs of essential patent claims, of different technical approaches may be discussed in standards development meetings.
 - Technical considerations remain primary focus
 - **Don't discuss or engage in the fixing of product prices, allocation of customers, or division of sales markets.**
 - **Don't discuss the status or substance of ongoing or threatened litigation.**
 - **Don't be silent if inappropriate topics are discussed ... do formally object.**

See *IEEE-SA Standards Board Operations Manual*, clause 5.3.10 and “Promoting Competition and Innovation: What You Need to Know about the IEEE Standards Association's Antitrust and Competition Policy” for more details.

Ground Rules

- Only persons registered in advance, and verified with a voting rights code by the chairman, are allowed to vote on the teleconference call.
- Based upon IEEE 802.3 Rules
 - Meeting decorum will be based upon Robert's Rules of Order
 - Anyone on the call may speak – please try not to interrupt the person speaking. If the situation requires, the floor may need to be assigned to each speaker, by the chairman, before being allowed to speak.
- **RESPECT**... give it, get it
- NO product pitches
- NO corporate pitches
- NO prices!!!
 - This includes costs, ASPs, etc. no matter what the currency
- NO restrictive notices

Goals for the meeting

- Resolve all comments for Draft 2.4 recirculation
- Vote to approve all comment resolution accomplished

Important Items

- Cover EZ-bucket items quickly and create a motion to allow editor license to implement all changes
 - Comments: 1 to 18, 31 to 39
- Discussion of all Technical comments
 - Comments 19 to 30
- Motions:
 - #1: allow editor the right to make all EZ-bucket changes, per the list approved
 - #2: action with regard to any comment requiring further action from the commentor
 - Approve all comments that were resolved

Motion 1

- **Move to adopt all resolution for comments, authorizing the Chief Editor to prepare D2.5 based on the accepted comment resolutions adopted at this meeting and to start a recirculation ballot.**

Moved by: David Law

Seconded by: Mike Dudek

Passed by Unanimous Consent

Motion Passes/Fails

(Technical 75% Required)

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- Task Force web page URL:

<http://www.ieee802.org/3/cb/>

Task Force Private Area

- URL: <http://www.ieee802.org/3/cb/private>
Username: 802.3cb, Password: (same as 802.3)
- Draft 2.4 is posted on the Private page.
 - Draft 2.5 will be added after this meeting.
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