# Responses to Questions for the 802.16 WG from James Gilb

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During our closing meeting during the plenary session we will be voting to confirm WG Chairs and WG Vice Chairs.

Prior to the confirmation vote for the 802.16 WG Chair and Vice Chair, I am going to ask that the 802.16 WG provide questions to the following questions:

1) Provide attendance numbers for the WG over last 2 years.

2) For each of the active PARs

 a) What is the participation and contribution level (individuals and companies)?

 b) Briefly describe the progress that the project made in the last year.

 c) briefly state the future plan to complete the project.

3) What are the plans for future meetings? Will the WG meet only during plenaries?

I am not bringing this up as a negative regarding past or future leadership of 802.16, but rather to give the EC some insight into the group's future.

James Gilb

***[Proposed] Responses:***

1) Provide attendance numbers for the WG over last 2 years.

Please see <http://wirelessman.org/meetings/reports.html> for the attendance at previous 802.16 WG sessions.

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 b) Briefly describe the progress that the project made in the last year.

 c) briefly state the future plan to complete the project.

(1) The P802.16q PAR was approved in August 2012 and has been discussed at the subsequent eight WG sessions. A System Requirements Document was developed, followed by preparation of a draft standard. The WG has agreed to complete the draft and forward it for WG Letter Ballot, to conclude in time for comment resolution in July 2014. The project is targeted for completion by March 2015. The document archive includes 143 documents indicated for P802.16q, from participants with affiliations including ETRI and KAIST IT Convergence.

(2) The P802.16r PAR was approved in December 2012 and has been discussed at the subsequent six WG sessions. An Architecture and Requirements document is in development. The schedule predicted in the PAR has not been met. The document archive includes 79 documents indicated for P802.16r, from participants with affiliations including Airspan, BLiNQ Networks. EthAirNet Associates, ITRI, and NEC. Due to the topic of the PAR, the project has a linkage with the upcoming P802.1CF OmniRAN Project and is likely to develop over time in parallel with future development of the P802.1CF Network Reference Model.

(3) The P802.16.3 PAR was approved in December 2012 and has been discussed at the subsequent six WG sessions. On 29 July 2013, the WG (through IEEE-SA) issued a Call for Participation announcing an electronic-based process allowing participation without travel. An Architecture and Requirements document is in development. The schedule predicted in the PAR has not been met. The document archive includes 47 documents indicated for P802.16.3, from participants with affiliations including Bims Laboratories, Consensii LLC, Mobile Pulse, Inc., and TEKCOMMS.

3) What are the plans for future meetings? Will the WG meet only during plenaries?

For the next year, the WG plans to meet face-to-face only at 802 Plenaries and to hold teleconferences in lieu of interim sessions.