

802.16 WG

Hibernation Plans

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Hibernation Rules

- P&P 5.2: If a WG has no active PARs, and is not actively developing a new PAR, then it should be considered to either be placed in hibernation (if it has developed standards or recommended practices in the past that are still current), or disbanded (if it has no current standards or recommended practices)
 - ➔ IEEE 802.16 WG's last active PAR (P802.16Rev4), concluded with IEEE-SA SB approval on 2017-12-06
 - ➔ IEEE 802.16 WG has active standards
- P&P 5.2.1: A WG may be hibernated at the request of the WG Chair and the approval of the Sponsor... Hibernating WG Chairs become Non-Voting Members of the Sponsor after their WG enters hibernation. The Sponsor Chair may appoint new hibernating WG Chairs to replace vacancies as soon as practical, subject to confirmation by the Sponsor at the next plenary meeting.

Hibernation Decision

- 802 EC decided on 2017-11-10 “To hibernate the IEEE 802.16 WG, as of the end of the March 2018 IEEE 802 Plenary” (ec-17-0203-00)

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- Last WG meeting is scheduled for 2018-03-04
- IEEE 802.16-2017 revision publication in process; publication expected this month
- 802.16/Conformance 04-2006 withdrawal Sponsor Ballot concluded 2018-01-31
 - request to forward to RevCom on today's EC agenda
 - expect it on RevCom agenda of 2018-05-14
- Remaining standards will remain active but are eventually subject to administrative withdrawal without further action

Active 802.16 Standards

- IEEE 802.16-2017 (expires 2027)
- IEEE 802.16.1-2012 (expires 2022), as amended by:
 - ▶ IEEE 802.16.1a-2013 (expires 2023)
 - ▶ IEEE 802.16.1b-2012 (expires 2022)
- IEEE 802.16.2-2004, reaffirmed 2010 (expires 2020)
 - Recommended Practice on Coexistence

In the opinion of the WG Chair, 802.16.1 and 802.16.2 could be allowed to expire without significant industry impact. Support for revisions is unlikely. WG could unhibernate if it materialized. Interest in amending IEEE 802.16 could develop, but not imminently.

802.16 Treasury

- As reported in ec-17-0203-00, WG's Treasury Executive Committee (Tim Godfrey, Roger Marks, Harry Bims) decided to disburse the remaining treasury of the Working Group equally to the IEEE 802 LMSC and the Joint IEEE 802.11/802.15 Wireless Treasury, following approval by EC of the decision to hibernate the Working Group (i.e., in 2017)
- 802.16 WG Treasurer, Tim Godfrey, has made timely and diligent efforts to progress this decision, with the support of Jon Rosdahl. However, internal IEEE processes have not be able to accommodate the schedule request.