IEEE 802 LAN/MAN STANDARDS COMMITTEE (LMSC)

CRITERIA FOR STANDARDS DEVELOPMENT (CSD)

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P802.1ACea Standard for Local and Metropolitan Area Networks -- Media Access Control (MAC) Service Definition Amendment Support for IEEE Std 802.15.6

1. IEEE 802 criteria for standards development (CSD)

The CSD documents an agreement between the WG and the Sponsor that provides a description of the project and the Sponsor's requirements more detailed than required in the PAR. The CSD consists of the project process requirements, 1, and the 5C requirements, 2.

1.1 Project process requirements

1.1.1 Managed objects

Describe the plan for developing a definition of managed objects. The plan shall specify one of the following:

a) The definitions will be part of this project.
b) The definitions will be part of a different project and provide the plan for that project or anticipated future project.
c) The definitions will not be developed and explain why such definitions are not needed. This project will use option c). IEEE 802.1AC is a service interface specification and has no managed objects.

1.1.2 Coexistence

A WG proposing a wireless project shall prepare a Coexistence Assessment (CA) document unless it is not applicable.

a) Will the WG create a CA document as part of the WG balloting process as described in Clause 13? (yes/no) No
b) If not, explain why the CA document is not applicable.

The project will add IEEE Std 802.15.6 to the set of IEEE 802 networks supported by the service interface. The project will not involve coexistence issues related to the use of wireless spectrum.
1.2 **5C requirements**

1.2.1 **Broad market potential**

Each proposed IEEE 802 LMSC standard shall have broad market potential. At a minimum, address the following areas:

a) **Broad sets of applicability.**
   
   There is a need for interconnecting wireless personal networks to infrastructure in multiple applications where MAC bridges can simplify access for IEEE 802.15.6 network connection to a data center. One target application for example is for hospitals and healthcare providers, to support a wide range of personal wireless devices. Both healthcare providers and patients will benefit from simplified networks that aggregate data streams while providing guaranteed delivery to remote data centers supporting both healthcare monitoring and emergency events. Other applications will similarly benefit from the use of IEEE 802.1 bridged network topologies.

b) **Multiple vendors and numerous users.**
   
   Multiple participants of IEEE 802.15 have shown interest in communications capabilities of this type. These include international wireless carriers/service providers, academic researchers, semiconductor manufacturers, communication equipment manufacturers, system integrators and end users.

1.2.2 **Compatibility**

Each proposed IEEE 802 LMSC standard should be in conformance with IEEE Std 802, IEEE 802.1AC, and IEEE 802.1Q. If any variances in conformance emerge, they shall be thoroughly disclosed and reviewed with IEEE 802.1 WG prior to submitting a PAR to the Sponsor.

a) **Will the proposed standard comply with IEEE Std 802, IEEE Std 802.1AC and IEEE Std 802.1Q?**
   
   Yes. As an amendment to 802.1AC, the proposed standard will comply with IEEE Std 802, IEEE Std 802.1AC and IEEE 802.1Q.

b) **If the answer to a) is no, supply the response from the IEEE 802.1 WG.**

The review and response is not required if the proposed standard is an amendment or revision to an existing standard for which it has been previously determined that compliance with the above IEEE 802 standards is not possible. In this case, the CSD statement shall state that this is the case.

1.2.3 **Distinct Identity**

Each proposed IEEE 802 LMSC standard shall provide evidence of a distinct identity. Identify standards and standards projects with similar scopes and for each one describe why the proposed project is substantially different.

No other standard provides compatibility between IEEE 802.15.6 and IEEE 802.1 MAC bridges.
1.2.4 Technical Feasibility
Each proposed IEEE 802 LMSC standard shall provide evidence that the project is technically feasible within the time frame of the project. At a minimum, address the following items to demonstrate technical feasibility:

a) Demonstrated system feasibility.
   This project is closely analogous to the clauses in IEEE 802.1AC-2016 as amended supporting IEEE Std 802.11 and IEEE Std 802.15.3.

b) Proven similar technology via testing, modeling, simulation, etc.
   See a)

1.2.5 Economic Feasibility
Each proposed IEEE 802 LMSC standard shall provide evidence of economic feasibility. Demonstrate, as far as can reasonably be estimated, the economic feasibility of the proposed project for its intended applications. Among the areas that may be addressed in the cost for performance analysis are the following:

a) Known cost factors.
   The specification is for bridges, and they are typically considered part of the infrastructure of networks. It adds functionality to bridging but does not change the balance.

b) Balanced costs.
   Similar to other wireless specifications currently included in IEEE Std 802.1AC.

c) Consideration of installation costs.
   See b)

d) Consideration of operational costs (e.g., energy consumption).
   See b)

e) Other areas, as appropriate.