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Abstract

This document proposes resolutions to TGac Letter Ballot 187 CIDs 4196, 4961, 5378.

##### CIDs 4196, 4961, 5378 (self reference)

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| 4196 | Allert Van Zelst | 9.28.3 | 123.42 | "When computing the MFB estimate for an MFB requester, the MCS, N\_STS(#3475) and, for unsolicitedMFB, BW field values in the MFB subfield from the MFB responder shall indicate a combination which isin the responder's VHT Rx Supported MCS Set (see 9.7.11.1 (VHT Rx Supported MCS Set)) and the request-er's VHT Tx Supported MCS Set (see 9.7.11.2 (VHT Tx Supported MCS Set)), where the BW for solicitedMFB is that defined in 9.28.3 (Link adaptation using the VHT variant HT Control field).(11/1518r5)"So the last line refers to the section itself? Wouldn't it be clearer to combine this text with the referred text, which I assume is:"In a solicited MFB response to an MRQ that was not carried in an NDPA frame, the MFB is computed basedon RXVECTOR parameters CH\_BANDWIDTH, GROUP\_ID, NUM\_STS, N\_TX, FEC\_CODING, BEAM-FORM and STBC of the received PPDU from which the MRQ was triggered and may additionally be basedon other factors which are not part of the RXVECTOR. The VHT N\_STS(#3475) subfield of the MFB sub-field of VHT format variant(Ed) HT Control field shall be set to an equal or smaller value than the RXVEC-TOR parameter NUM\_STS of the received PPDU from which the MRQ was triggered; If the VHTN\_STS(#3475) subfield is set to a smaller value than the RXVECTOR parameter NUM\_STS, the MFB re-sponder shall be computed assuming estimate the recommended MCS under the assumption that the MFBrequester will transmit the space first N\_STS space-time streams in the corresponding to the lowest VHTN\_STS indices are used for transmissionPPDU carrying MRQ(#3775)." | Merge the two paragraphs listed in the comment, or find a better way of referencing. | **Revise** - Most of the cited paragraph is covered in 9.28, hence it can be deleted. Instead the following is added: “For unsolicited MFB that is not in the same PPDU as a VHT Compressed Beamforming frame, the N\_STS subfield of the MFB subfield of VHTvariant HT Control field shall be set to an equal or smaller value than the RXVECTOR parameter NUM\_STS of the received PPDU from which the MFB parameters are estimated.” (see 12/0480r0) |
| 4961 | Nir Shapira | 9.28.3 | 123.47 | Circular reference. Refference to 9.28.3 is circular and is not specific enough since 9.28.3 is a long section | Suggest explicitly defining BW in this context | **Revise** - Most of the cited paragraph is covered in 9.28, hence it can be deleted. Instead the following is added: “For unsolicited MFB that is not in the same PPDU as a VHT Compressed Beamforming frame, the N\_STS subfield of the MFB subfield of VHTvariant HT Control field shall be set to an equal or smaller value than the RXVECTOR parameter NUM\_STS of the received PPDU from which the MFB parameters are estimated.” (see 12/0480r0) |
| 5378 | Youhan Kim | 9.28.3 | 123.42 | The reference "9.28.3" is a reference to itself. | The reference refers to P124L38-48. Hence, combine P123L42-47 with P124L38-48. | **Revise** - Most of the cited paragraph is covered in 9.28, hence it can be deleted. Instead the following is added: “For unsolicited MFB that is not in the same PPDU as a VHT Compressed Beamforming frame, the N\_STS subfield of the MFB subfield of VHTvariant HT Control field shall be set to an equal or smaller value than the RXVECTOR parameter NUM\_STS of the received PPDU from which the MFB parameters are estimated.” (see 12/0480r0) |

**Discussion**

The following paragraph, that is cited in the comments, can be removed because it is redundant or implicit (except for its requirement to limit the MCS feedback (MFB) by the supported TX MCS set of the recipient of the MFB, but we believe that this limitation by MCS got mistakenly introduced from draft 1.0 to draft 2.0; note that 11n doesn’t require to limit the MCS in the MFB either; it only requires to limit the number of spatial streams to those supported in transmit mode by the recipient of the MFB):”

The paragraph can be removed, because solicited MFB that is a response to an MRQ that was not carried in an NDPA is covered by:

And solicited and unsolicited MFB for an NDPA NDP sequence are covered by:

Most other unsolicited MFB parameters are covered by:

So we only need to cover the N\_STS for the unsolicited MFB when it is not in the same PPDU as a VHT Compressed Beamforming frame. If this is set to a value less than or equal to the N\_STS of the packet where the MFB is computed on, it automatically falls within the capabilities of the recipient of the MFB. Therefore the suggestion is to add the new paragraph to 9.28 as proposed in below resolution.

**Resolution**

*Editor, please remove the following paragraph that starts at line 42 of page 123 of Draft 2.0:*

*Editor, please add the following paragraph at line 62 of page 124 of Draft 2.0:*

For unsolicited MFB that is not in the same PPDU as a VHT Compressed Beamforming frame, the N\_STS subfield of the MFB subfield of VHT variant HT Control field shall be set to an equal or smaller value than the RXVECTOR parameter NUM\_STS of the received PPDU from which the MFB parameters are estimated.