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Abstract

*This document contains a proposal for consideration by IEEE 802.11 Coexistence SC, for a Liaison Statement from IEEE 802.11 WG to 3GPP RAN4 on certain channel combinations defined for LAA in 5 GHz*

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## Proposed liaison letter

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SUBJECT: IEEE 802.11 Working Group LS to 3GPP RAN4 on certain channel combinations for LAA in 5GHz

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Dear Xutao Zhou,

Thank you for supporting the ongoing cooperation between IEEE 802/IEEE 802.11 Working Group and 3GPP RAN4 in relation to coexistence between LAA and 802.11 systems.

The LAA specification ([1]) includes a clause specifying that for LAA multi-carrier transmissions with four or less carriers, the maximum frequency separation between the centre frequencies of these carriers will be less than or equal to 62MHz, unless the absence of 802.11 systems can be guaranteed in these carriers. This clause is important to promote fair coexistence between multi-carrier transmissions of LAA and 802.11 systems.

However, we notice that 3GPP RAN4 has defined carrier aggregation schemes for LAA where the maximum separation between the centre frequencies of carriers is greater than 62MHz. Some example aggregation schemes are CA\_2A-46A-46D, CA\_4A-46A-46D, CA\_46A-46D-66A ([2]).

IEEE 802.11 Working Group requests that 3GPP RAN4 clarify the following:

1. Will the cited carrier aggregation schemes for LAA only be used in the guaranteed absence of 802.11 systems?
2. If the absence of 802.11 systems on these carriers cannot be guaranteed, how does 3GPP RAN4 intend to adhere to the cited clause in the LAA specification, in order to ensure fair coexistence between LAA and 802.11 systems?

IEEE 802.11 Working Group looks forward to a continued, productive exchange with 3GPP RAN4 on this and other matters of interest to both 3GPP RAN4 and the IEEE 802.11 Working Group.

For your information, the next two IEEE 802.11 Working Group meetings are 9‑14 September 2018 in Hawaii, USA and 11-16 November 2018 in Bangkok, Thailand.

Regards,

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