**IEEE 802.16 Working Group on Broadband Wireless Access**

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Subject: Liaison statement to WATO members regarding *WirelessMAN-Advanced* in Revision 1 of Rec. ITU-R M.2012

Dear WATO Participants,

As you know, ITU-R Working Party 5D has initiated the development of Revision 1 of Rec. ITU-R M.2012 and has requested initial input for “Meeting Y,” specified as Working Party 5D Meeting #13 of 16-20 July 2012. In response, IEEE has prepared a contribution that will be based on the attached draft and delivered to Meeting #13.

As noted in the contribution, IEEE does not expect to be represented at Meeting #13 since the IEEE 802 Plenary is scheduled that same week in San Diego, CA, USA.

The contribution also mentions that IEEE expects to base the Revision 1 update on the new IEEE Std 802.16.1, which currently being finalized and will include the

WirelessMAN-Advanced air interface specification but not the earlier IEEE 802.16 radio interfaces (which will be maintained in the revised IEEE Std 802.16). We are currently hoping to complete both of these documents in time to be approved by IEEE in June 2012.

In addition to the base standard, we are currently developing two amendments (P802.16.1a and P802.16.1b) to IEEE 802.16.1. We are anticipating that these will be completed in 2012 as well.

With respect to the schedule in Table 1 of IMT-ADV/26, we expect to follow the “Y+2B” Alternative, submitting the GCS to WP 5A in June 2013 time frame. Of course, we will provide the approved standards to the WATO members much earlier than June 2013, to facilitate transposition.

We expect to prepare our Meeting Y+1 contribution during our July session and will provide further information to you at that time. Please feel free to contact us with your views on any issues.

Sincerely,

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