WG Chair issues call for essential patent claims

A participant responds to the call for essential patent claims

- Call shall be made at every meeting
- Call shall go out to all participants
- Call shall only be for essential patent claims

WG Chair send LoA, cover letter, and makes draft standard available to potential EP holder.

Potential EP holder responds to LoA request

- Any reason to assume potential EP?
  - Yes
    - Potential EP holder has specific EPs and does not agree to RAND
    - Potential EP holder asserts EPs with no specifics and refuses RAND
    - Submitter makes special PatCom request (possibly without WG knowledge)
  - No
    - Potential EP holder has or claims to have EPs and agrees to RAND
    - Potential EP holder does not know but agrees to RAND if they discover it later
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Authorized person returns LoA to IEEE staff with copy to WG Chair

Materially complete and on approved LOA form.

PatCom recommendation to the SASB for appropriate action

Potential EP holder is reminded of requirement to use the approved form.

Patent LoA Database

Written request to staff

Materially complete and on approved LOA form.

List of EP holders, LoA category, and patent number if appropriate. LoA is scanned into DB and accessible from the Web.

Copy of LoA sent to requestor

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No Further Action Needed