The Wireless Communications Association proposes to host the 2003 meeting of IEEE 802.16 in San Jose, CA, USA, at the Fairmont Hotel:

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Benefits:

-- Unique interactions with wireless broadband carriers at their main semi-annual meeting
-- Avoiding fragmented industry during financial community scrutiny of viability
-- Potential for major announcements, publicity on standards progress
-- Accessibility of leading media, financial analyst outlets and regulators
-- First-ever IEEE 802.16 meeting in Northern or Central California
-- First California 802.16 meeting since San Diego in December, 2000
-- Lowered costs for many who can drive to locale
-- Potential higher attendance
-- Site selection shows industry commitment, cohesion at critical juncture
-- Free access to exhibit floor of WCA’s Ninth Annual WCA Technical Symposium & Business Expo
-- Invitation for IEEE 802.16 leaders to participate in shared keynote or special meetings
-- Separate meeting rooms to maintain IEEE standards focus & attendance requirements
-- Potential spare-time site visits to leading Silicon Valley locales
-- Collocation encourages European, Latin, Asia-Pacific, etc. standards leaders to travel
-- Fosters WCA–IEEE collaborations begun at founding NWEST meeting in 1998
Past WCA *Technical Symposium* speakers include:

CTO or equivalent speakers from most leading North American broadband carriers in relevant BWA bands (i.e., 900 MHz, 1.9, 2.1, 2.3, 2.4, 2.5–2.7, 5.2, 5.8, 10–12, 18, 23, 24, 28, 31, 38–40, 40+)

Selected CTO or equivalent speakers from comparable international carriers, including 3.5 and 26 GHz

Leaders of emerging related wireless industries, such as Free–Space Optical Alliance leaders or gigabit millimeter wave 60 to 90+ GHz. FSO Alliance voted this summer to join WCA, and WCA Engineering Committee Task Force on 40+ GHz is among leaders in advocating new rules for gigabit millimeter wave rules.

Leading vendors & engineering consultants with abstracts selected for presentation by a carrier-led juries

Noted individual past speakers include:

---Dr. Roger B. Marks of NIST, Chairman of IEEE 802.16 Working Group on Broadband Wireless Access
---Dr. Jamshid Khun-Jush of Ericsson Eurolab & Chairman, ETSI BRAN
---Dale Hatfield, Chief, FCC Office of Engineering & Technology
---Dr. Enrique Melrose, Technical Commissioner, Comisión Federal de Telecomunicaciones (COFETEL) (Mexico)
---Dr. Brian Chen, CTO, Infocomm Development Authority of Singapore
---Dr. Veena Rawat, Deputy Director General, Industry Canada
---Dr. Per Emanuelson of Telia Research, ETSI BRAN Vice Chairman and HIPERACCESS Area Coordinator
---Dr. Thomas Stanley, Chief Engineer, FCC Wireless Telecommunications Bureau
---Vic Hayes of Agere Systems & Regulatory Ombudsman, IEEE 802.11
---Latif Ladid of Ericsson Telebit & President, IPV6 Forum
---Mary Ellen Burns, Assistant Attorney General & Chief, Telecommunications & Energy Bureau, NY State Attorney General’s Office
---Dr. Weston E. Vivian, President, Vivian & Associates and former United States Congressman
---Chris Hardy of ComSearch, President, National Spectrum Managers Association
Over the past decade, San Jose - the 'Capital' of Silicon Valley and home to the brightest minds in the computer, semiconductor and biotech industries - has exploded onto the world economic stage as the third largest city in California. The Fairmont San Jose plays an integral role in the community, hosting presidents, dignitaries, celebrities, CEOs and noted scholars.

The Fairmont San Jose combines technological innovation with timeless elegance. **Meeting and conference rooms** are equipped to handle functions from exquisite receptions to multimedia presentations. In the heart of northern California's largest city, The Fairmont San Jose blends historic grandeur with all the high-tech excitement of Silicon Valley.
How Much Will It Cost?
-- Discount rate for hotel rooms ($179 US, plus tax)
-- Other hotels available upon request
-- Estimated registration fee (to cover meeting rooms, continental breakfast, morning coffee break, afternoon coffee break, including cookies/snack, audiovisual equipment & Jan. 14 dinner: about $140 USD.
-- WCA would pay for any deficit and any excess would be given to IEEE 802.16
-- WCA (or sponsor company to be determined) would host a dinner on Tuesday night (Jan. 14) at no charge for attendees. Depending on interests of IEEE participants, this might include annual industry “Wemmie” awards for BWA Advanced Technology and Service to Underserved Communities, plus special IEEE program segments.
Collocated events planned at Fairmont Hotel in San Jose
Jan. 13-15 include:

**Ninth Annual WCA Technical Symposium & Business Expo**
-- One of world’s fast-growing telecom or IT events past 2 _ years:
  -- Registration rise: 219 to 1,107 to 1,396
  -- Actual attendance rise: 203 to 1,096 to 1,139
-- Speakers include leading carriers, standards officials, jury-selected vendors, technical regulators (See below)*
-- Major co-promotion possibilities to include IEEE logos, etc.
-- 22 media partners this year (**Microwave Journal, Frecuencia, America’s Network, RCR, Telephony**, etc.)
-- 7 Supporting Associations or standards groups this year (**OFDM Forum, NARTE, TDD Coalition, etc.**)
-- 4 television stations on-site this year

**Third Annual WCA Wireless Broadband Operators Requirements Forum**
-- Third Annual “Wemmies” awarded by BWA carrier-jury
-- Also, possible collocation with Institute of the Americas **Annual Telecommunications Summit** (under discussion)
The hotel's meeting rooms are equipped to handle any function -- from an exquisite reception for 200 to a state-of-the-art multimedia theatre presentation for 3,000. With the completion of our new tower in February 2002, The Fairmont San Jose now has a grand total of 805 guestrooms and 65,000 sq. ft. of meeting space.

In February 2002, The Fairmont San Jose opened the Fairmont Tower and welcomed the addition of 264 new rooms, bringing the total number of rooms to 805. This newest addition to the San Jose skyline boasts 28,000 square feet of additional meeting space and 33 beautifully appointed guest suites.
A distinctive presence in Silicon Valley, The Fairmont San Jose is a testament to extraordinary service and convenient facilities. Dining is exceptional at all three restaurants and lounges, from American fare at the Fountain Restaurant to Chinese cuisine at the Pagoda. The Fairmont San Jose's Executive Business Center is equipped to handle every business need. And when the day is through, guests can relax and recharge at the fourth floor rooftop pool and fully-equipped Health Club.
Common Amenities

All guest rooms at The Fairmont San Jose offer the following amenities:

• Air conditioning with individual climate control
• Alarm clock-radio
• Bathrobes
• Cable television with in-room pay movies and Sony® PlayStation
• Custom-designed comforter
• Mini-bar (automated)
• In-Room Business Amenities
  • Computer dataport
  • Telephone (Multi-line) with voice-mail
  • Work Desk
Many Silicon Valley visitors discovering San Jose through business, also enjoy the leisurely getaways. More than 30 wineries in the valley attest to the year-round Mediterranean climate. The Monterey Peninsula's legendary golf courses, beaches and sightseeing venues are a short drive from The Fairmont San Jose. Attractions within walking distance include the San Jose Convention Center, Museum of Art, The Tech Museum of Innovation, live theater, symphony, opera and ballet.