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IEEE 802.16 Working Group Recirculation Ballot #12a
Announcement

1. Introduction
This announcement opens IEEE 802.16’s Recirculation Ballot #12a.

On the question: To accept the resolutions of comments from Working Group Recirculation Ballot #12a, as recorded in IEEE 802.16-03/41r2:
<http://ieee802.org/16/docs/03/80216-03_41r2.zip>

and to forward, for IEEE 802 LMSC Sponsor Ballot, IEEE P802.16/Conformance03/D2-2003:
<http://ieee802.org/16/private/drafts/tgc/P80216_Conf03_D2.zip>


Ballot opening date: 24 October 2003

Ballot closing date: 8 November 2003 AOE ("Anywhere on Earth")

2. Procedure
2.1 Results of Prior Ballot Rounds
The Results of Letter Ballot #12 are available at


The ballot was approved (44 Approve, 1 Disapprove, 9 Abstain), pending recirculation of changes to resolve the comments.

2.2 Previous Votes Carried Forward
If you do not participate in this recirculation ballot but cast a previous ballot in Working Group Letter Ballot #12 or a recirculation of it, your previous vote will be carried forward.
2.3 No Obligation of Working Group Members to Participate in Ballot

Working Group Members are not obliged to participate in this ballot, nor in any recirculation ballot. Participation or lack of participation will not affect Working Group Membership.

2.4 Scope of Ballot

The scope of the recirculation ballot includes only the comment resolutions under review and their implementation in the draft. The only comment resolutions under review are those in IEEE 802.16-03/41r2.

2.5 To submit a ballot

To submit a ballot, use the form at:


2.6 Disapprove Votes

Disapprove votes must include specific “Technical, Binding” comments on what must be done to the comment resolutions to change the vote to “Approve”.

2.7 To submit a ballot with comments or to submit comments only

If you wish to submit a ballot with comments (with or without a vote), you must download the standalone program Commentary (version 1.5 or higher) and use it to prepare your vote and comments. Submission instructions are included. Commentary is available at:

http://ieee802.org/16/docs/Commentary

2.8 To confirm receipt of your ballot and check the ballot status report

To confirm receipt of your ballot, see the ballot status report at:


3. Working Group Letter Ballot Process

IEEE 802 rules specify that “the decision to submit a draft standard or a revised standard to the Sponsor Ballot Group must be ratified by a letter ballot.”
3.1 Criteria for Approval

3.1.1 50% Return Rate

The required 50% return rate was met in Letter Ballot #12. There is no return rate requirement for a recirculation ballot.

3.1.2 75% Approval Rate

The ballot will not be considered successful unless approved by at least 75% of the ballot group members voting “Approve” or “Disapprove”.

3.1.3 Comment Resolution

The Working Group shall attempt to resolve all in-scope comments collected in the ballot process. All substantive technical changes, and all unresolved negative votes, together with the reasons of the negative voter and the rebuttal by the members conducting the resolution of the ballots, shall be subject to a recirculation ballot of at least fifteen days.

3.1.4 Failed Ballots

Should the approval rate be less than 75%, the Working Group shall nevertheless proceed with comment resolution and then offer “Disapprove” voters the opportunity to change their vote to “Approve”. Should this process result in a 75% or higher approval rate, the approval criterion in 3.1.2 shall be considered met.

Should this process fail to achieve the 75% approval rate, a new draft shall be prepared in accordance with the comment resolutions. A new Working Group Letter Ballot of the resulting draft shall be initiated by vote of the Working Group or at the discretion of the Working Group Chair.

3.2 Draft Availability

Following IEEE guidelines, the document under review is considered a Draft Standard. IEEE requires that Draft Standards carry the IEEE copyright notice and be restricted in distribution. As a result, the document has been posted on the 802.16 password-protected web site. Members and Observers shall not share the password. Other interested parties should see the URL:

http://ieee802.org/16/published.html

and contact the Chair <mailto:r.b.marks@ieee.org> with any questions.

3.3 Ballot Group

The Ballot Group for Recirculation Ballot #12a is provided in Annex A. It includes the individuals who were Members of IEEE 802.16 as of the start of Letter Ballot #12. Except to remedy errors in this membership list, the Ballot Group will not change through the course of Letter
Ballot #12, including its resulting recirculation ballots, even as the Working Group membership changes.

3.4 Participation by Individuals outside the Ballot Group

Individuals who are not Ballot Group members are welcome to submit ballot comments.

3.5 Public Release of Individual Ballots

Detailed ballot results will be posted to the IEEE 802.16 Web Site.

4. Patent Policy and Procedures

Please take note of the IEEE 802.16 Patent Policy

<http://ieee802.org/16/ipr/patents/policy.html>.

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Annex A: Ballot Group for IEEE 802.16 Working Group Letter Ballot #12

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