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IEEE 802.16 Working Group on Broadband Wireless Access

802.16 Session #39 Opening Plenary

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• Motion: To approve the Opening Plenary Agenda on the 802.16 web site
Approval of Minutes

• Motion: To approve the minutes of Session #38 (IEEE 802.16-05/054)
Chair's Announcements
"At Each Meeting, the Working Group Chair shall:"

- Show slides #1 and #2 of this presentation (the following two slides)
- Advise the WG membership that:
  - The IEEE’s Patent Policy is consistent with the ANSI patent policy and is described in Clause 6 of the *IEEE SA Standards Board Bylaws*;
  - Early disclosure of patents which may be essential for the use of standards under development is encouraged;
  - Disclosures made of such patents may not be exhaustive of all patents that may be essential for the use of standards under development, and that neither the IEEE, the WG nor the WG Chairman ensure the accuracy or completeness of any disclosure or whether any disclosure is of a patent that in fact may be essential for the use of standards under development.
- Instruct the WG Secretary to record in the minutes of the relevant WG meeting:
  - that the foregoing advice was provided and the two slides were shown;
  - that an opportunity was provided for WG members to identify or disclose patents that the WG member believes may be essential for the use of that standard;
  - any responses that were given, specifically the patents and patent applications that were identified (if any) and by whom.
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IEEE standards may include the known use of patent(s), including patent applications, provided the IEEE receives assurance from the patent holder or applicant with respect to patents essential for compliance with both mandatory and optional portions of the standard. This assurance shall be provided without coercion and prior to approval of the standard (or reaffirmation when a patent becomes known after initial approval of the standard). This assurance shall be a letter that is in the form of either

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• Don’t discuss licensing terms or conditions

• Don’t discuss product pricing, territorial restrictions or market share

• Don’t discuss ongoing litigation or threatened litigation

• Don’t be silent if inappropriate topics are discussed… do formally object.

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Closing

• Be cooperative, flexible, and constructive.

• Solve problems.

• FINISH THE WORK!

• Keep records.

• Motion to adjourn.