

WirelessHUMAN™ Study Group Chair Report to IEEE 802.11/802.15 Joint Interim Meeting, 8 May 2000

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Venue:

8 May 2000: IEEE 802.11/802.15 meeting (8-12 May 2000 in Seattle, WA, USA)

Purpose:

Introduce WirelessHUMAN™ Study Group to IEEE 802.11/802.15 and get feedback on potential synergies.

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Joint 802.11/802.15/WirelessHUMAN™ Meeting Agenda

- 6:30 - 6:45 Introductions
- 6:45 - 7:15 Report on WirelessHUMAN Study Group
- 7:15 - 7:45 Input from 802.11
 - PHY
 - MAC
- 7:45 - 8:15 Input from 802.15
 - PHY
 - MAC
- 8:15 onwards Joint Discussion

WirelessHUMAN™
(High-speed Unlicensed Metropolitan Area Network)
IEEE 802.16 Study Group

Durga P. Satapathy - Chair
Sanjay Moghe - Secretary

Report at Joint 802.11/802.15 Interim Plenary Meeting
8th May, 2000 Seattle

WirelessHUMAN™ Background

- The IEEE 802.16 WirelessHUMAN Study Group was approved at the March IEEE 802 Plenary meeting
- Significant interest from both academia and industry (manufacturers and service providers)
- First meeting held at IEEE 802.16 Session 7 with over 30 participants

What's Different About WirelessHUMAN™?

- IEEE 802.11 – optimized for LANs primarily using ISM bands requiring spread-spectrum
- IEEE 802.15 - optimized for PANs (relatively small range) and focused on ISM bands
- IEEE 802.16.3 – optimized for MANs in licensed bands from 2 to 11 GHz
- WirelessHUMAN Study Group will address MANs in license exempt bands.

WirelessHUMAN™ Objectives

- Identify license exempt bands that can best serve the wireless industry need for fixed broadband MAN access with a focus on 5-6 GHz bands
- Investigate issues in developing an Air Interface Standard for the identified bands
- Investigate feasibility of using elements from existing standardization efforts e.g. IEEE 802.15, 802.11 PHY & Enhanced MAC, IEEE 802.16.3 PHY & MAC etc. or modifications thereof
- Joint meetings with 802.16.3, 802.11, 802.15 and other standards groups

Proposed Activities

- Perform study
- Develop draft PAR
- Open ballot process to facilitate participation from other groups (e.g. IEEE 802.11)
- Joint interim meetings with IEEE 802.11/802.15 to investigate synergies.
- Obtain recommendations on interactions with 802.11, 802.15 and 802.16 on issues relevant to license exempt bands.
- Investigate potential to reuse standardization efforts from 802.11/802.15/802.16

Key Elements of the WirelessHUMAN™ Specification Efforts

- This intended standard will specify the physical layer and media access control layer of the air interface of interoperable fixed point-to-multipoint broadband wireless access systems.
- The specification will enable public metropolitan area network access to connection-oriented and/or connectionless data, video, and voice services.
- The specification will apply to systems primarily operating in license exempt bands for outdoor use between 5 and 6 GHz

Existing Support for Active Participation

- Durga P. Satapathy Sprint (**Chair**)
- Sanjay Moghe RF Solutions (**Secretary**)
- Amarpal Khanna Agilent Technologies
- Demos Kostas Adaptive Broadband
- Valentine Rhodes Intel
- Mika Kasslin Nokia
- David Trinkwon Transcomm Inc.
- Marianna Goldhammer Breezecom
- Naftali Chayat Breezecom
- Roger Durand Cabletron
- Avi Freedman Innowave ECI
- Dean Chang BNA Systems
- Amos Dotam WaveIP
- Hadad Zion Runcom
- Michael Stewart Escape
- Stanley A. Reible Micrilor, Inc.

Existing Support for Active Participation

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- Vijaya Gallagher Wireless Home
- Jon M. Peha Carnegie Mellon University
- Panos I. Dallas Intracom
- Gordon Stuber Georgia Institute of Technology
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- Anader Benyamin-Seeyar Harris Corporation
- Chao-Chun Wang Malibu Networks
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- Stan Rieble Proxim
- Jehuda Hakcai Ultracom
- Leif Jansson Ericsson
- Chaim Shenhan N Band Com
- Hossein Izadpanh HRL Labs
- Roger Durand Cabletron systems
- David Sumi Wireless Inc.
- E. Doherty Coreon Inc

Key Issues

- What are the existing regulations in the various unlicensed bands, and what unlicensed bands may be appropriate for WirelessHUMAN systems?
- What mechanisms for interference avoidance/suppression, resource sharing, and ensuring adequate performance exist in unlicensed bands?
- What are the unique system design issues/requirements of WirelessHUMAN systems from a MAC/PHY layer perspective? What elements can we utilize from existing work?
- Should the Study Group write a PAR to proceed with a standard? If so, should we try for July or wait until November?

WIRELESSHUMAN AGENDA

Date	Time		
2-May	8:00	Joint meeting 802.16.3 & WHUMAN SG Introductions and member sign up Review of Goals and Objectives Discussion and Acceptance of Agendas	
	10:00	Discussion of Key Issues (Chair)	
	10:15	Study Group Operating Procedures (Secretary)	
	11:00	The Path Towards Efficient Coexistence in Unlicensed Spectrum - 802.16hc-00/03 Contribution from Jon Peha	
	12:30	Lunch Break	
	1:30	Joint Session with 802.16.3	
	3-May	8:00	Joint Session with 802.16.3
		12:30	Lunch
1:30		Requirements for WirelessHUMAN Systems - 802.16hc-00/01 Contribution from Mika Kasslin at	
2:30		Requirements for Broadband Wireless Access systems in the UNII bands - 802.16hc-00/02 Contribution from Vijaya Gallager	
3:30		Break	
3:45		Discuss CEPT Proposal	
4:15		Discuss Report to 802.11/802.15	
5:30		Dinner Break	
4-May	8:00	802.16hc-00/04 Overview of UNII Regulations Contribution from Jamie Cornelius	
	9:00	Discussion of WirelessHUMAN Milestones & PAR	
	12:00	Lunch Break	

WirelessHUMAN™ System Characteristics

- Metropolitan Area Network
 - Need for Point-To-Multipoint Systems
 - Typically cellular; sectorized with frequency reuse
 - Typically needs backhaul architectures capable of reliable broadband transport
 - Connectivity to wired infrastructure/ core networks
- Services: voice, video & data
- Fixed/Nomadic Wireless Service Provider Application
- Operate in Unlicensed Frequency Bands (initial focus on outdoor UNII bands)
- Operation in presence of other unlicensed devices
- MAC/PHY efficiency to support MAN environment
- Cost and performance for residential/SOHO/SME/ customers
- QoS support (in-system & external interference)

Impact of 802.11/802.15

- Existing Common Elements
 - Operation in Unlicensed Spectrum
 - Growing interest from service providers/carriers
- Key Elements Needed
 - Mechanisms to avoid/suppress interference
 - Design input on multipath, equalization, modulation (e.g. OFDM; adaptive techniques), FEC/ARQ etc.
 - Co-existence criteria
 - QoS support

Key Input

- 802.11 and 802.15 Tutorials/Conference Calls
- Contributions on elements of 802.11/802.15 MAC/PHY standardization efforts that would be applicable to WirelessHUMAN
- Present above findings at July meeting