

Title: Liaison announcing second approved draft of MEF 22.1 Mobile Backhaul

Implementation Agreement Phase 2

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From: Metro Ethernet Forum

Dear Liaison Partner,

The MEF, with the input of Service Providers, is actively working on the evolution of MEF 22 and, at its October quarterly meeting, has approved a second draft for MEF 22.1 Mobile Backhaul Implementation Agreement, Phase 2. This draft will be balloted internally over the next several months as we work towards approval of this as a MEF technical specification in early 2011. We are circulating this approved draft to our liaison partners to socialize the content of this work in progress and to seek your input and comment on our work. We look forward to your comment on this new version of the draft (**D00088_002**).

As background, all MEF approved technical specifications are publicly available at no cost on the web:

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The Mobile Backhaul Implementation Agreement identifies the requirements for MEF Ethernet Services and MEF External Interfaces for use in mobile backhaul networks based on MEF specifications. As the MEF worked to define the MBH IA, we identified a number of goals that a second phase would focus on. These goals include new mobile technologies (like LTE & WiMAX), performance recommendations, resiliency and synchronization. This version of the draft contains significant revised text on these key topics as well as a general reorganization.

We thank our liaison partners for their valued input during the development of the MBH IA, and respectfully request that you provide feedback on the content of this MEF approved draft.