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Re:	Report to 802.16.from 802.16.3
Abstract	The Task Group met to consider a press release from the IEEE-ISTO regarding the formation of an industry consortium to standardize broadband wireless access.
Purpose	For 802.16 to consider motions to submit to the IEEE LMSC executive committee to take specific actions.
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802.16.3 Task Group reactions to a press release from the IEEE-ISTO 802.16.3

1. Overlapping and/or conflicting statements between the aforementioned press release and the 802.16.3 charter (PAR and 5 criteria):

1.1 Note this quotel from the IEEE-ISTO web site: http://www.ieee-isto.org/overview.html: "Groups organized within the IEEE ISTO are able to publish ISTO industry group standards. The resulting standards will have the instant global recognition associated with the IEEE name and brand identity, and can then be submitted, as appropriate, to other standards bodies for approval or adoption (e.g., IETF, ISO, IEC, IEEE, ISO/IEC JTC1, W3C)..."

1.2 The press release mentions the following concepts that conflict/overlap with 802.16.3:

1.2.1 "...cost effective broadband wireless access"

Note the 802.16.3 PAR title: Telecommunications and Information Exchange Between Systems - LAN/MAN Specific Requirements - Air Interface for Fixed Broadband Wireless Access Systems in Licensed Bands from 2 to 11 GHz

Note the 802.16.3 purpose statement: To enable rapid worldwide deployment of innovative, cost-effective and interoperable multi-vendor broadband wireless access products.

1.2.2 "...streaming audio and video...voice"

Note this statement in the 802.16.3 PAR: "The specification enables access to data, video, and voice services with a specified quality of service in licensed bands designated for public network access."

1.2.3 "...Vector OFDM"

The 802.16.3 Task Group has received a contribution from ETSI BRAN explaining the OFDM technology used in HiperLAN2 that the contributors think may be applicable to an 802.16.3 interoperability standard.

1.2.4 "...MMDS..."

Note these statements in the802.16.3 PAR: "It [802.16.3] applies to systems operating between 2 and 11 GHz," "...in licensed bands designated for public network access..."

The term "MMDS" refers to the U.S. FCC spectrum allocations within the "MDS" bands designated for public network access.

2. The Task Group makes the following statement:

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IEEE 802.16 is the only authorized IEEE organization to develop broadband wireless access (BWA) standards according to IEEE rules and due process as accredited by ANSI. The IEEE 802.16 working group is open to full public participation. To date, over one hundred individuals from more than fifty companies have been actively contributing to this process.

3. Motions that the 802.16.3 task group submits to the 802.16 working group.

Motion for the IEEE LMSC executive committee to consider and report back to 802.16.3 Task Group: IEEE LMSC expects the IEEE, IEEE-ISTO, IEEE-SA and any other IEEE organization to immediately disassociate from the BWIF industry group and publicly retract any association with it. This shall include an IEEE press release covering the disassociation.

Motion for the IEEE LMSC executive committee to consider: Any letter that the IEEE LMSC executive committee submits to other IEEE offices on the issue of the BWIF press release must include the content of the previous motion.

Motion for the IEEE LMSC executive committee to consider: In particular, that the IEEE shall accomplish disassociation from BWIF sponsorship prior to the July 26, 2000 inaugural BWIF meeting.

Motion for the IEEE LMSC executive committee: That IEEE initiate a review of the IEEE-ISTO procedures and processes associated with standards development and take any action necessary to assure the integrity of the IEEE Standards process and report back to the IEEE LMSC.