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As a result of the re-chartering of the IETF LSVR working group to include the l3dl protocol [draft-ietf-lsvr-l3dl-14 - Layer-3 Discovery and Liveness](#), IEEE 802.1 would like to follow up to our liaison statement in <https://datatracker.ietf.org/liaison/1637/>.

IEEE Std 802.1AB-2016 specifies a simple and widely deployed layer-2 discovery protocol known as the Link Layer Discovery Protocol (LLDP). Further, to provide for applications such as LSVR, IEEE Std 802.1ABdh-2021 specifies an extension that greatly expands the amount of information LLDP can exchange while maintaining backward compatibility with all prior LLDP versions. Based on our review of the current l3dl draft, IEEE 802.1 believes that extended LLDP per IEEE Std 802.1ABdh-2021 has sufficient facilities to support the required information exchange.

Additionally, IEEE Std 802.1ABcu-2021 specifies the YANG modules related to the management of extended LLDP. Clause 12 of IEEE Std 802.1ABcu-2021 describes the configuration and monitoring objects for LLDP at large, and the YANG is written to be extensible to support new TLVs in a consistent manner.

IEEE 802.1 still believes that it is undesirable for the industry to have multiple discovery protocols and that new protocols should be backward compatible with widely deployed LLDP. In

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addition, existing solutions for layer 2 liveness include Connectivity Fault Management (CFM) specified in clauses 18-22 of IEEE Std 802.1Q-2022 and for layer 2 security include both encryption and authentication specified in IEEE Std 802.1AE-2018, IEEE Std 802.1X-2020, and IEEE Std 802.1AR-2018.

All previously mentioned IEEE 802.1 standards are available at no cost at <https://ieeexplore.ieee.org/browse/standards/get-program/page/series?id=68>. The IEEE 802 process is open and contribution driven. Participation is on an individual basis and technical discussion can be conducted based on individual contributions.

IEEE 802.1 looks forward to continued discussion on the IEEE 802.1 email reflector and to collaboration with representatives from the IETF LSVR WG:

- Through the IEEE 802 – IETF Coordination Group, and
- At upcoming IEEE 802.1 Maintenance Task Group meetings, both electronically https://1.ieee802.org/maintenance/#Upcoming_Meeting_Calendar or in-person <https://1.ieee802.org/meetings/>.

Considering IETF 123 and IEEE 802.1 meet back-to-back in July 2025 at the same venue in Madrid, IEEE 802.1 would also like to invite representatives from the IETF LSVR WG to join us for discussion during our July 27-31, 2025 IEEE 802.1 plenary session.

Respectfully submitted,

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