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## Proposed Rule Change to Operating Rules of IEEE Project 802 LAN MAN Standards Committee (LMSC)

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- 802.11 working group has moved to electronic distribution during sessions....
- It's working well...
  - Saves time and cost.....
- Propose rule change to Section 5.1.4.2.2 Voting by Letter Ballots as described in doc.: IEEE 802.11-98/377

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## Recommended changes....

- Use of electronic medium for all matters of voting and documentation distribution (NO fax other than exception)
- Reduce the letter ballot electronic response time from present 40 days to 30 days in-the-hands of the voter with one (1) day to obtain from the web site, after formal email notification.
  - 31 day duration for letter ballots on original drafts.
  - 11 day duration for other ballots including re-circulation ballots.

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## Proposed Text

### 5.1.4.2.2 Voting by Letter Ballots

For important decisions to be made in between meetings of the WG, the Working Group Chair may entertain an e-mail Letter Ballot. The decision to submit a draft standard or a revised standard to the Sponsor Ballot Group must always be ratified by a letter ballot and shall have a minimum duration of 31 days, in case of a re-circulation ballot this limit does not apply. ~~Other matters may be decided by a letter ballot at the discretion of the Working Group Chair.~~ The Working Group Chair may vote in letter ballots. The letter ballot response time must be at least eleven days from the announcement on the e-mail reflector to the closure, forty days from the time of "sending" postmark to the postmark of the return ballot.

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Motion:

To adopt the text changes reflecting electronic letter balloting and distribution pertaining to Section 5.1.4.2.2 Voting by Letter Ballots as described in doc.: IEEE 802.11-98/377 and forward to IEEE 802 SEC for approval

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