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TITLE	System Requirements Agenda and On-the-fly Notes from 5/99 Boulder Meeting	
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ABSTRACT	This document is a capture of our discussion agenda from the 5/99 Boulder meeting. During this meeting, I chaired a discussion on system requirements and also jotted some notes done on the agenda on-the-fly. I submit this as a contribution as some people in the group requested.	
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System Requirements Agenda

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Sort out the agenda

Charter of System Requirements Task Group

What are we doing and why are we doing it?

What sort of document will we produce?

Scope

Provide a terms-of-reference and high level architecture for broadband wireless access systems. Included is a reference model and high-level description of interfaces. The document provides a view of the system from customer premises interfaces to network infrastructure interface. Although the document describes a wide view of the system, its purpose is to provide guidelines, terminology and interface description to aid in standardizing air interface protocols. The System Requirements will not be a standard or even recommended practice, but the substance of the document may be included in the air interface standard.

Specifies what the MAC and PHY need to support.

Level of detail

Short paragraph summaries

In the neighborhood of 15-20 pages

No PHY or MAC specifics (left to air interface doc)

What issues need to be resolved to produce a meaningful document?

When can we get it done?

Goal: draft on July 5

Deadline for more submissions: June 7?

Minutiae and Process

Submission/Editing Process

Email reflector (use SYSREQ: in subject)

Target Supported Applications and Services

that affect MAC and PHY requirements

Bearer services supported by MAC or PHY

ISDN: BRI/PRI

Frame Relay

STM Synchronous Transfer Mode; PDH/SDH

Voice services must not affect broadband nature of air interface

ATM cell relay service

IP variable length frames

802.1 bridging

Broadcast and Multicast services

Video

Audio

Use classification of traffic ala IETF and atm

Apps and services boil down to type of service/qos params

~~Best of service IP transport (no QoS)~~

~~IP QoS based services, including VoIP~~

~~Virtual Private Networks: link small branch offices to central~~

~~Voice~~

~~POTS/Telephone~~

~~PBX Integration~~

~~STM transport (e.g. T1/E1, multiples)~~

~~Video~~

~~Conference~~

~~Broadcast~~

Backhaul services for other wireless services (e.g., cell/pcs)

Reference Diagram

Include Radio back-haul in diagram

Reference Point/Interface naming

Explicit IWFs: STM, ATM, IP

Mention telco-ish signalling IWFs? (GR 303, H.323, SIP, T1/E1, etc.)

Summary of ITU-R DOCSIS-over-BWA Requirements

Capacity and Performance

bps delivered to end user (e.g, in the vicinity of 1.5 – 50 Mbps)

?256Kbps and up

Range of upper limits:

Scalable w/ no upper limit

Optimized for delivery of broadband (> 2Mbps service)

Open lower limit

cell capacity in terms of number of users given average/typical per-user b/w subscribers per cell (e.g., allow scaling from 1 to 1000 terminals)

metric suggestions from John Liebetreu

QoS Requirements

To support listed applications

Terminology from ATM and IP diffserv world

Separate traffic management from services

Fairness vs. B/W wastage

Service Level Agreements

Enforcement

Services exported by MAC layer to upper layer

Define support: Provide efficient transport of payload, preserving QoS properties

Multicast

Cells exclusively (no variable length frames; IP must be encapsulated in cells)

Frames exclusively (no cells)

Must support frames; cells optional

Must support cells; frames optional

May support either cells or frames

Security

Privacy

Authentication

Summary of Reflector Activity

Outline from Austin

802.6 (DQDB MAN) requirements
802.14 (TV Cable Access) requirements
References to BRAN/HA requirements, 802.14 draft standard, DOCSIS standard
Outline submitted by Gene Robinson et al
Functional Requirements for the 802.16 standard (Jim Mollenauer)
Reference Diagram and Notes (Margarete Ralston)
 From Marianna Goldhammer:
IWF on CPE side; Define IWFs for all services and signalling protocols;
 beware of IP-in-ATM
 From Steve Farrell:
Standard must accommodate ATM and IP; ATM today w/ voice over ATM,
 not voice over IP; Need more input from existing industry;
 need to define applications including Internet and telco services
 From Chet Shirali:
802.14 status summary: MAC, IP and ATM; considering DOCSIS 1.1
 From Jay Klein:
 No religious wars---be agnostic, support IP and ATM
 From David Jarrett:
Focus first on applications; diverse services with scalable quality
 From Jack Fijolek (from 802.14 and DOCSIS):
DOCSIS 1.1 supports QoS guaranteed services better than cell based CBR
 From Chris Cant:
 Look at BRAN/HA; consider radio back haul; identify 1-N, N-1, N-M on interfaces
 From Paul Nikolich (802 vice chair):
 802.16 can choose the most suitable layer 2 protocol
 802.14 put cells on the shelf because vendor/market support lagged
 From Peter Ecclesine
 Support both IP and ATM: compromise
 From Jim Mollenauer
 Need to handle STM, ATM and packets
 Need QoS, regardless of STM/ATM/packets
 802.14 failed w.r.t QoS/STM/ATM/packets
 From Moshe Ran:
 IEEE Network article in Jan/Feb '99

Request for Contributions

Examples of existing systems: protocols and reference architecture that affect system requirements

Cases, pro or con, for each of the bearer services:

ISDN: BRI/PRI

Frame Relay

STM Synchronous Transfer Mode; PDH/SDH

ATM cell relay service

IP variable length frames

802.1 bridging

Note: Lower bit-rate services such as voice, ISDN-BRI and Nx64 ($N < 23$) may be transported by the MAC and PHY, but the MAC and PHY protocols are not burdened by their presence.

QoS-based categorization of applications

Revised Reference Diagram

Statement regarding cell size (capacity) in terms of users and user-delivered B/W

Physical layer performance metrics

Security

MAC service optimized for variable length vs. fixed length frames

Any other material (see outlines)

More? (frames vs. cells, TDD requirements, etc.)