

## Proposed responses

## IEEE P802.3az D3.0 Energy Efficient Ethernet comments

CI 55 SC 55.4.6.5 P217 L34 # 1 [REDACTED]  
 Anslow, Peter Ciena Corporation

Comment Type E Comment Status D  
 Comment 9 against D 2.3 was not fully implemented

*SuggestedRemedy*

In the editing instruction "Insert a new subclause 55.4.6.5, containing Figure 55-27b, after subclause 55.3.6.4, , as shown below" there is a double comma and the last subclause number is wrong.

Change "subclause 55.3.6.4, , as" to "subclause 55.4.6.4, as"

Proposed Response Response Status W  
 PROPOSED ACCEPT.

CI 78 SC 78.1 P256 L15 # 2 [REDACTED]  
 Hajduczenia, Marek ZTE Corp.

Comment Type T Comment Status D  
 It should be stated clearly that EEE does not support optical PHYs.

*SuggestedRemedy*

Add a sentence after second paragraph with the following text: 'EEE does not support operation over multimode or signlemode optical cabling'.

Proposed Response Response Status W  
 PROPOSED REJECT.

It is not necessary to specify what is not supported.

CI 78 SC 78.1.1 P246 L33 # 3 [REDACTED]  
 Hajduczenia, Marek ZTE Corp.

Comment Type T Comment Status D  
 'LPI signaling also informs the LPI Client that the link partner' > 'LPI signaling also informs the LPI Client when the link partner' - it is better to focus on the time aspect of the signalign rather than the fact that signalling was sent. In this way, you emphasize the timelyexchange of such information. This additionally goes well with the statements in 78.1.1.2

*SuggestedRemedy*  
 per comment

Proposed Response Response Status W  
 PROPOSED ACCEPT.

CI 78 SC 78.1.2.1.3 P248 L18 # 4 [REDACTED]  
 Hajduczenia, Marek ZTE Corp.

Comment Type T Comment Status D  
 'When this primitive should be generated by the LPI client is unspecified.' > 'Specification of the time, when this primitive is generated by the LPI client, is out of scope of the standard.'

*SuggestedRemedy*

Better language offered per comment

Proposed Response Response Status W  
 PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Change to:  
 'Specification of the time when this primitive is generated by the LPI client is out of the scope of this standard.'

CI 78 SC 78.1.2.2.1 P248 L28 # 5 [REDACTED]  
 Hajduczenia, Marek ZTE Corp.

Comment Type E Comment Status D  
 Strike 'has' from this sentence. Other sentences are written in past simple tense.

*SuggestedRemedy*  
 Per comment

Proposed Response Response Status W  
 PROPOSED REJECT.

Removing the "has" reduces clarity

CI 78 SC 78.1.3 P249 L30 # 6 [REDACTED]  
 Hajduczenia, Marek ZTE Corp.

Comment Type TR Comment Status D  
 xMII is used as 'any of the family of medium independent interfaces' yet Figure 78-2 makes assumptions on the number of transmit/receive lanes. Suggest to indicate that the number of lanes might be different.

*SuggestedRemedy*  
 Per comment

Proposed Response Response Status W  
 PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Put in an ellipsis between the lanes to indicate that the number may be different than the number shown

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Cl 78 SC 78.1.4 P251 L21 # 7  
Hajduczenia, Marek ZTE Corp.

Comment Type T Comment Status D

Table 78-1 caption should be changed to read '802.3 PHY optionally supporting EEE'.  
Table does not specify anything

SuggestedRemedy  
per comment

Proposed Response Response Status W  
PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Change caption to:  
Clauses associated with each EEE PHY type

Cl 78 SC 78.2 P251 L41 # 8  
Hajduczenia, Marek ZTE Corp.

Comment Type E Comment Status D

'Duration PHY ...' > 'Period during which PHY ...'<CR>'Transmitter shrinkage time. Defined as the absolute time difference between the following two timing parameters:' >  
'Transmitter shrinkage time is defined as the absolute time difference between the following two timing parameters:'<CR>'Receiver shrinkage time. Defined as the absolute time difference between the following two timing parameters:' > 'Receiver shrinkage time is defined as the absolute time difference between the following two timing parameters:'

SuggestedRemedy  
Language improvements offered per comment

Proposed Response Response Status W  
PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 78 SC 78.2 P252 L4 # 9  
Hajduczenia, Marek ZTE Corp.

Comment Type T Comment Status D

'Parameter employed by the system which corresponds to the behavior of the PHY. It is' suggest to remove these words. The following words are sufficient to describe what the parameter is and what does <CR><CR>Likewise, remove 'Parameter employed by the system which corresponds to its requirements. It is' in lines 8 and 11.

SuggestedRemedy  
Per comment

Proposed Response Response Status W  
PROPOSED REJECT.

This sentence it used to distinguish these from Tw\_sys\_rx, which is a system level requirement as opposed to something deriving from the PHY

Cl 78 SC 78.3 P252 L37 # 10  
Hajduczenia, Marek ZTE Corp.

Comment Type E Comment Status D

remove the word 'visually' - the following 'illustrates' says it all

SuggestedRemedy  
Per comment

Proposed Response Response Status W  
PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 78 SC 78.4.2.2 P255 L6 # 11  
Hajduczenia, Marek ZTE Corp.

Comment Type TR Comment Status D

'Integer (2 octets wide)' - other integers in 78.4.2.3 Variables do not have identifier whether they are 1 or 2 bytes wide. Either specifically mark each Integer type variable in terms of length or it is assumed that all of them have the same length. At this time, it is not clear how many bits you assume an Integer to have (16, 8, or 32 or more)

SuggestedRemedy  
Per comment

Proposed Response Response Status W  
PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Add a statement at the top of that section that says "Unless otherwise specified, all integers are assumed to be 2 octets wide"

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CI 78 SC 78.4.2.3 P252 L50 # 12  
Hajduczenia, Marek ZTE Corp.

Comment Type TR Comment Status D

What is a 'Temporary integer' ? Can't you just say 'Integer used to temporarily store the value of ...' or is it something altogether different?

SuggestedRemedy

Per comment

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Change to "Integer used to temporarily store the value of" for TempTxVar and TempRxVar

CI 78 SC 78.4.2.3 P255 L10 # 13  
Hajduczenia, Marek ZTE Corp.

Comment Type ER Comment Status D

For readability reasons, each variable should have one line separation from the previous / next definitions. Otherwise it becomes hard to read. Please fix it

SuggestedRemedy

Per comment

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

CI 78 SC 78.4.2.3 P256 L15 # 14  
Hajduczenia, Marek ZTE Corp.

Comment Type T Comment Status D

In Table 78-3, the column 'mapping' is not described and there are different options for mapping indicated i.e. left to right or right to left. What is their meaning?

SuggestedRemedy

Per comment

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED REJECT.

The direction of the mapping is introduced above the table in the introduction text. This is consistent with how we did the PoE/P L2 also.

CI 78 SC 78.4.2.4 P256 L54 # 15  
Hajduczenia, Marek ZTE Corp.

Comment Type TR Comment Status D

'NEW\_RX\_VALUE' is located at the very bottom of the page and defined as 'Integer that indicates the value of Tw\_sys\_tx that the local system wants the remote system to support. ' - seems like a variable rather than function. Why is it part of the Functions subclause then ?

SuggestedRemedy

Either change the definition to what the 'NEW\_RX\_VALUE' needs to represent or move to the proper location in the draft. The current location does not seem to be correct.

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

The definition was embedded within the function examine\_RX\_change. Move out of the function area to the variable area.

Same for NEW\_TX\_VALUE

CI 78 SC 78.4.2.5 P257 L6 # 16  
Hajduczenia, Marek ZTE Corp.

Comment Type T Comment Status D

'Control for placing data on the medium rests with the transmitting side, hence Tw\_sys\_tx is enforced by the transmitter.'  
Strange language, Suggest to rewrite to read:  
'Transmitter is responsible for controlling placement of data on the medium, hence, Tw\_sys\_tx is enforced by the transmitter.'

SuggestedRemedy

Per comment

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED REJECT.

It is not clear that the rewrite changes the technical content of the paragraph. The current text has been in place for multiple review cycles

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CI 78 SC 78.5 P261 L3 # 17  
Hajduczenia, Marek ZTE Corp.

Comment Type T Comment Status D

line 3: 'In full duplex mode, predictable operation of the MAC Control PAUSE operation' > 'In the full duplex mode, predictable operation of the MAC Control PAUSE operation' <CR> line 11: 'Following IDLE code reception on the MAC interface' > 'Following the reception of an IDLE code on the MAC interface'

Suggested Remedy  
per comment

Proposed Response Response Status W  
PROPOSED ACCEPT.

CI 78 SC 78.5.1 P262 L54 # 18  
Hajduczenia, Marek ZTE Corp.

Comment Type TR Comment Status D

Where are PICS for Clause 78? There is a number of shall statements which do not have associated PICS.

Suggested Remedy  
Either add PICS or provide a clear statement why these are not available.

Proposed Response Response Status W  
PROPOSED ACCEPT.

CI 79 SC 79.3.a.3 P264 L20 # 19  
Hajduczenia, Marek ZTE Corp.

Comment Type E Comment Status D

Font becomes much smaller after the first line of the paragraph. Please fix it.

Suggested Remedy  
Per comment

Proposed Response Response Status W  
PROPOSED ACCEPT.

CI 78 SC 78 P262 L # 20  
Diab, Wael Broadcom

Comment Type TR Comment Status D

Clause 78 is missing PICS

Suggested Remedy  
Please add PICS

Proposed Response Response Status W  
PROPOSED ACCEPT.

CI 78 SC 78.3 P252 L42 # 21  
Diab, Wael Broadcom

Comment Type ER Comment Status D

The requirement for EEE capability to be exchanged during Auto Neg always points back to 78.3 (e.g. 28C.12 and 28D.7). The language in 78.3 can be improved to include a shall.

Suggested Remedy  
Rewrite "The EEE capability is advertised during the Auto-Negotiation stage" to "The EEE capability shall be advertised during the Auto-Negotiation stage"

Proposed Response Response Status W  
PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Also put in a PICS entry for the new "shall"

CI 00 SC 0 P15 L # 22  
Byrd, William PRIVACOM VENTUR

Comment Type G Comment Status D

The page numbers do not agree with the Table of Contents. For example: Scope is shown in the table of contents as Page 16. It is actually shown on page 15 of the document. The authors are looking at the computer programs page numbering instead of the actual page numbers they have on the bottom of each page.

Suggested Remedy  
Re-page number document to match the table of contents.

Proposed Response Response Status W  
PROPOSED ACCEPT.

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**CI 79**    **SC 79.3.a**                      **P263**    **L33**    # **23**  
 Diab, Wael                                      Broadcom

**Comment Type**    **ER**            **Comment Status**    **D**  
 Please change the TBA in Figure 79-1a--EEE TLV format to the value in the Table 79-1

**SuggestedRemedy**  
 Change TBA to 5

**Proposed Response**                      **Response Status**    **W**  
 PROPOSED ACCEPT.

**CI 22**    **SC 22.6a.2.2**                      **P29**    **L31**    # **24**  
 Turner, Edward J                                      Gnodal Ltd

**Comment Type**    **ER**            **Comment Status**    **D**  
 The phrase 'time expired since' is confusing.

**SuggestedRemedy**  
 Change to 'time since'

**Proposed Response**                      **Response Status**    **W**  
 PROPOSED ACCEPT.

**CI 24**    **SC 24.2.2**                                      **P35**    **L13**    # **25**  
 Turner, Edward J                                      Gnodal Ltd

**Comment Type**    **E**                      **Comment Status**    **D**  
 Missing determiner before 'PCS'

**SuggestedRemedy**  
 Add 'the' before 'PCS'.

**Proposed Response**                      **Response Status**    **W**  
 PROPOSED ACCEPT.

**CI 24**    **SC 24.2.2**                                      **P35**    **L13**    # **26**  
 Turner, Edward J                                      Gnodal Ltd

**Comment Type**    **ER**            **Comment Status**    **D**  
 Missing something between 'period' and 'upon'.

**SuggestedRemedy**  
 Add 'begun'

**Proposed Response**                      **Response Status**    **W**  
 PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

By combining the response to comments # 25, 26, and 27, rephrase the statement

"The Receive process may support the LPI function by deactivating all or part of receive functional blocks of PCS, PMA, and PMD to conserve energy during the low link utilization period upon receiving proper codegroups via rx\_code\_bits from the link partner as described in 24.2.2.1.5, and generate proper commands sending through MII as described in 22.2.2.7."

to  
 "Upon receiving proper codegroups via rx\_code\_bits from the link partner as described in 24.2.2.1.5, the Receive process may support the LPI function by deactivating all or part of receive functional blocks of the PCS, PMA, and PMD to conserve energy during the low link utilization period, and generate commands through the MII as described in 22.2.2.7."

**CI 24**    **SC 24.2.2**                                      **P35**    **L14**    # **27**  
 Turner, Edward J                                      Gnodal Ltd

**Comment Type**    **E**                      **Comment Status**    **D**  
 Confusing wording in 'and generate proper commands sending through MII as described in 22.2.2.7'

**SuggestedRemedy**  
 Change to 'and generate commands through the MII as described in 22.2.2.7'

**Proposed Response**                      **Response Status**    **W**  
 PROPOSED ACCEPT.

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Cl 24 SC 24.2.2 P35 L15 # 28  
 Turner, Edward J Gnodal Ltd  
 Comment Type E Comment Status D  
 Missing determiners.  
 SuggestedRemedy  
 Add 'the' before 'Link Monitor' and PMA.  
 Proposed Response Response Status W  
 PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 24 SC 24.2.3.2 P37 L1 # 32  
 Turner, Edward J Gnodal Ltd  
 Comment Type E Comment Status D  
 Missing determiner  
 SuggestedRemedy  
 Add 'the' before 'PMA'.  
 Proposed Response Response Status W  
 PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 24 SC 24.2.2 P35 L26 # 29  
 Turner, Edward J Gnodal Ltd  
 Comment Type E Comment Status D  
 Missing determiner  
 SuggestedRemedy  
 Add 'the' before PCS.  
 Proposed Response Response Status W  
 PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 24 SC 24.2.3.2 P37 L3 # 33  
 Turner, Edward J Gnodal Ltd  
 Comment Type E Comment Status D  
 Missing determiner  
 SuggestedRemedy  
 Add 'the' before 'PMA'.  
 Proposed Response Response Status W  
 PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 24 SC 24.2.2 P35 L28 # 30  
 Turner, Edward J Gnodal Ltd  
 Comment Type E Comment Status D  
 Missing determiner  
 SuggestedRemedy  
 Add 'the' before 'remote receiver'  
 Proposed Response Response Status W  
 PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 24 SC 24.2.3.2 P37 L10 # 34  
 Turner, Edward J Gnodal Ltd  
 Comment Type E Comment Status D  
 Missing determiner  
 SuggestedRemedy  
 Add 'the' before 'PMA\_RXQUIET.request'  
 Proposed Response Response Status W  
 PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 24 SC 24.2.3.2 P36 L48 # 31  
 Turner, Edward J Gnodal Ltd  
 Comment Type E Comment Status D  
 Missing determiner  
 SuggestedRemedy  
 Add 'the' before 'PMA'.  
 Proposed Response Response Status W  
 PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 24 SC 24.2.3.2 P37 L17 # 35  
 Turner, Edward J Gnodal Ltd  
 Comment Type E Comment Status D  
 Missing determiner  
 SuggestedRemedy  
 Add 'the' before 'PMA\_TXQUIET.request'  
 Proposed Response Response Status W  
 PROPOSED ACCEPT.

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*Cl* 24    *SC* 24.2.3.4    *P37*    *L36*    # 36  
 Turner, Edward J    Gnodal Ltd  
*Comment Type*    **E**    *Comment Status*    **D**  
 Missing determiner  
*SuggestedRemedy*  
 Add 'the' before 'PHY'  
*Proposed Response*    *Response Status*    **W**  
 PROPOSED ACCEPT.

*Cl* 24    *SC* 24.2.3.4    *P37*    *L38*    # 37  
 Turner, Edward J    Gnodal Ltd  
*Comment Type*    **E**    *Comment Status*    **D**  
 Definition of timer period.  
*SuggestedRemedy*  
 Change 'to' to 'and'.  
*Proposed Response*    *Response Status*    **W**  
 PROPOSED ACCEPT.

*Cl* 24    *SC* 24.2.3.4    *P37*    *L41*    # 38  
 Turner, Edward J    Gnodal Ltd  
*Comment Type*    **E**    *Comment Status*    **D**  
 Missing determiner.  
*SuggestedRemedy*  
 Add 'the' before 'Idle state'  
*Proposed Response*    *Response Status*    **W**  
 PROPOSED ACCEPT.

*Cl* 24    *SC* 24.2.3.4    *P37*    *L43*    # 39  
 Turner, Edward J    Gnodal Ltd  
*Comment Type*    **E**    *Comment Status*    **D**  
 Missing determiners.  
*SuggestedRemedy*  
 Add 'the' before 'Sleep state' and 'the' before 'Quiet state'  
*Proposed Response*    *Response Status*    **W**  
 PROPOSED ACCEPT.

*Cl* 24    *SC* 24.2.3.4    *P37*    *L45*    # 40  
 Turner, Edward J    Gnodal Ltd  
*Comment Type*    **E**    *Comment Status*    **D**  
 Definition of timer period.  
*SuggestedRemedy*  
 Change 'to' to 'and'.  
*Proposed Response*    *Response Status*    **W**  
 PROPOSED ACCEPT.

*Cl* 24    *SC* 24.2.3.4    *P37*    *L50*    # 41  
 Turner, Edward J    Gnodal Ltd  
*Comment Type*    **E**    *Comment Status*    **D**  
 Missing determiners.  
*SuggestedRemedy*  
 Add 'the' before 'PHY' and 'the' before 'Quiet'.  
*Proposed Response*    *Response Status*    **W**  
 PROPOSED ACCEPT.

*Cl* 24    *SC* 24.2.3.4    *P37*    *L53*    # 42  
 Turner, Edward J    Gnodal Ltd  
*Comment Type*    **E**    *Comment Status*    **D**  
 Definition of timer period.  
*SuggestedRemedy*  
 Change 'to' to 'and'.  
*Proposed Response*    *Response Status*    **W**  
 PROPOSED ACCEPT.

*Cl* 24    *SC* 24.2.3.4    *P38*    *L3*    # 43  
 Turner, Edward J    Gnodal Ltd  
*Comment Type*    **E**    *Comment Status*    **D**  
 Missing determiners.  
*SuggestedRemedy*  
 Add 'the' before 'PHY' and 'the' before 'Sleep'.  
*Proposed Response*    *Response Status*    **W**  
 PROPOSED ACCEPT.

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CI 24 SC 24.2.3.4 P38 L4 # 44  
 Turner, Edward J Gnodal Ltd  
 Comment Type E Comment Status D  
 Definition of timer period.  
 SuggestedRemedy  
 Change 'to' to 'and'.  
 Proposed Response Response Status W  
 PROPOSED ACCEPT.

CI 24 SC 24.2.3.4 P38 L7 # 45  
 Turner, Edward J Gnodal Ltd  
 Comment Type E Comment Status D  
 Missing determiner.  
 SuggestedRemedy  
 Add 'the' before 'Quiet'.  
 Proposed Response Response Status W  
 PROPOSED ACCEPT.

CI 24 SC 24.2.3.4 P38 L8 # 46  
 Turner, Edward J Gnodal Ltd  
 Comment Type E Comment Status D  
 Missing determiners.  
 SuggestedRemedy  
 Add 'the' before 'PHY' and 'the' before 'Refresh'.  
 Proposed Response Response Status W  
 PROPOSED ACCEPT.

CI 24 SC 24.2.3.4 P38 L9 # 47  
 Turner, Edward J Gnodal Ltd  
 Comment Type E Comment Status D  
 Missing determiner.  
 SuggestedRemedy  
 Add 'the' before 'Wake'.  
 Proposed Response Response Status W  
 PROPOSED ACCEPT.

CI 24 SC 24.2.3.4 P38 L15 # 48  
 Turner, Edward J Gnodal Ltd  
 Comment Type E Comment Status D  
 Missing determiner.  
 SuggestedRemedy  
 Add 'the' before 'PHY'.  
 Proposed Response Response Status W  
 PROPOSED ACCEPT.

CI 24 SC 24.2.3.4 P38 L16 # 49  
 Turner, Edward J Gnodal Ltd  
 Comment Type TR Comment Status D  
 The statement '.. before it must wake for refresh signal.' is not a clear description of how the state machine uses the timer.  
 SuggestedRemedy  
 Change to '.. before it must wake to signal refresh'  
 Proposed Response Response Status W  
 PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Change to '.. before it must wake to send a refresh signal'

CI 24 SC 24.2.3.4 P38 L17 # 50  
 Turner, Edward J Gnodal Ltd  
 Comment Type E Comment Status D  
 Definition of timer period.  
 SuggestedRemedy  
 Change 'to' to 'and'.  
 Proposed Response Response Status W  
 PROPOSED ACCEPT.



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CI 24 SC 24.2.3.4 P38 L20 # 51  
 Turner, Edward J Gnodal Ltd  
 Comment Type E Comment Status D  
 Missing determiners.  
 SuggestedRemedy  
 Add 'the' before 'PHY', add 'the' before 'Sleep state', and add 'the' before 'Quiet state'.  
 Proposed Response Response Status W  
 PROPOSED ACCEPT.

CI 24 SC 24.2.3.4 P38 L21 # 52  
 Turner, Edward J Gnodal Ltd  
 Comment Type E Comment Status D  
 Definition of timer period.  
 SuggestedRemedy  
 Change 'to' to 'and'.  
 Proposed Response Response Status W  
 PROPOSED ACCEPT.

CI 24 SC 24.3.2.3 P43 L22 # 53  
 Turner, Edward J Gnodal Ltd  
 Comment Type E Comment Status D  
 Missing determiners throughout this paragraph.  
 SuggestedRemedy  
 Add 'the' before the following: 'PMA\_RXLPI.request' (line 22), 'PMA' (line 22), 'Far-End' (line 23), 'PMA\_LPILINKFAIL.request' (line 24), 'PMA' (line 25).  
 Proposed Response Response Status W  
 PROPOSED ACCEPT.

CI 24 SC 24.3.3.2 P43 L37 # 54  
 Turner, Edward J Gnodal Ltd  
 Comment Type E Comment Status D  
 Missing determiner.  
 SuggestedRemedy  
 Add 'the' before 'PCS'.  
 Proposed Response Response Status W  
 PROPOSED ACCEPT.

CI 24 SC 24.3.3.2 P43 L45 # 55  
 Turner, Edward J Gnodal Ltd  
 Comment Type E Comment Status D  
 Missing determiner.  
 SuggestedRemedy  
 Add 'the' before 'PCS'.  
 Proposed Response Response Status W  
 PROPOSED ACCEPT.

CI 24 SC 24.4.1.4 P46 L31 # 56  
 Turner, Edward J Gnodal Ltd  
 Comment Type E Comment Status D  
 Misplaced 'the'.  
 SuggestedRemedy  
 Change 'Process of PCS only if the EEE' to 'Process of the PCS only if EEE'  
 Proposed Response Response Status W  
 PROPOSED ACCEPT.

CI 24 SC 24.4.1.4 P46 L32 # 57  
 Turner, Edward J Gnodal Ltd  
 Comment Type E Comment Status D  
 Missing determiner.  
 SuggestedRemedy  
 Add 'the' before 'Quiet'.  
 Proposed Response Response Status W  
 PROPOSED ACCEPT.

CI 24 SC 24.4.1.5.1 P47 L6 # 58  
 Turner, Edward J Gnodal Ltd  
 Comment Type E Comment Status D  
 Missing determiner.  
 SuggestedRemedy  
 Add 'the' before 'Quiet'.  
 Proposed Response Response Status W  
 PROPOSED ACCEPT.

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**Cl 25**    **SC 25.4a.1.1.2**                      **P52**            **L11**            # **59**  
 Turner, Edward J                                      Gnodal Ltd  
**Comment Type**    **E**                      **Comment Status**    **D**  
     Lower case NRZ.  
**SuggestedRemedy**  
     Change to capitals.  
**Proposed Response**                      **Response Status**    **W**  
     PROPOSED ACCEPT.

**Cl 25**    **SC 25.4a.2.1.2**                      **P53**            **L37**            # **60**  
 Turner, Edward J                                      Gnodal Ltd  
**Comment Type**    **E**                      **Comment Status**    **D**  
     Lower case NRZ.  
**SuggestedRemedy**  
     Change to capitals.  
**Proposed Response**                      **Response Status**    **W**  
     PROPOSED ACCEPT.

**Cl 25**    **SC 25.4a.8**                                      **P55**            **L14**            # **61**  
 Turner, Edward J                                      Gnodal Ltd  
**Comment Type**    **E**                      **Comment Status**    **D**  
     Signal\_Detect is all lower case here, whereas elsewhere there is a capital S and D.  
**SuggestedRemedy**  
     Change to 'Signal\_Detect'.  
**Proposed Response**                      **Response Status**    **W**  
     PROPOSED ACCEPT.

**Cl 25**    **SC 25.5.4.4**                                      **P56**            **L35**            # **62**  
 Turner, Edward J                                      Gnodal Ltd  
**Comment Type**    **E**                      **Comment Status**    **D**  
     Lower case 'mv'.  
**SuggestedRemedy**  
     Change to 'mV'  
**Proposed Response**                      **Response Status**    **W**  
     PROPOSED ACCEPT.

**Cl 25**    **SC 25.5.4.4**                                      **P56**            **L37**            # **63**  
 Turner, Edward J                                      Gnodal Ltd  
**Comment Type**    **E**                      **Comment Status**    **D**  
     Lower case 'mv'.  
**SuggestedRemedy**  
     Change to 'mV'  
**Proposed Response**                      **Response Status**    **W**  
     PROPOSED ACCEPT.

**Cl 35**    **SC 35.3a.2.2**                                      **P71**            **L34**            # **64**  
 Turner, Edward J                                      Gnodal Ltd  
**Comment Type**    **E**                      **Comment Status**    **D**  
     Unnecessary word.  
**SuggestedRemedy**  
     Delete 'expired'.  
**Proposed Response**                      **Response Status**    **W**  
     PROPOSED ACCEPT.

**Cl 40**    **SC 40.4.2.4**                                      **P102**            **L11**            # **65**  
 Turner, Edward J                                      Gnodal Ltd  
**Comment Type**    **E**                      **Comment Status**    **D**  
     Missing an 'a'.  
**SuggestedRemedy**  
     Add 'a' before 'period'.  
**Proposed Response**                      **Response Status**    **W**  
     PROPOSED ACCEPT.

**Cl 00**    **SC 0**    **P4**            **L22**            # **66**  
 Mclendon, Jonathon                                      Spirent Communicatio  
**Comment Type**    **E**                      **Comment Status**    **D**  
     TLV is misspelled  
**SuggestedRemedy**  
     Change to 'TLV'  
**Proposed Response**                      **Response Status**    **W**  
     PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Proposed responses

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Cl 22 SC 22.2.1 P23 L10 # 67  
 Mclendon, Jonathon Spirent Communicatio

Comment Type **G** Comment Status **D**  
 The document has many phrases of the form "If the EEE capability is supported, ..." Although I do not see a way to administratively disable EEE, I suspect that network designers will demand such a capability. If so, then nearly all of the clauses of the above form will need to be changed to ...

SuggestedRemedy  
 "If the EEE capability is supported and administratively enabled, ..." or "If the EEE capability is enabled, ..."

Proposed Response Response Status **W**  
 PROPOSED REJECT.

There is no necessity to "enable" the EEE capability. There is negotiation to control the use of LPI, if LPI is not in use then the LPI client does not assert LPI. There is no requirement to change behavior depending on whether LPI is "in use" or not when LPI is not asserted.

Cl 40 SC 40.4.2.4 P102 L15 # 68  
 Turner, Edward J Gnodal Ltd

Comment Type **ER** Comment Status **D**  
 Missing underscore within 'lpi\_posupdate timer'

SuggestedRemedy  
 Insert underscore before 'timer'.

Proposed Response Response Status **W**  
 PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 40 SC 40.4.2.4 P102 L27 # 69  
 Turner, Edward J Gnodal Ltd

Comment Type **E** Comment Status **D**  
 Missing 'the' before 'period'.

SuggestedRemedy  
 Insert 'the' before 'period'.

Proposed Response Response Status **W**  
 PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 40 SC 40.4.2.4 P102 L35 # 70  
 Turner, Edward J Gnodal Ltd

Comment Type **E** Comment Status **D**  
 Missing words before 'transmitter circuits'.

SuggestedRemedy  
 Insert 'that the' before 'transmitter circuits'.

Proposed Response Response Status **W**  
 PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 40 SC 40.4.2.4 P102 L45 # 71  
 Turner, Edward J Gnodal Ltd

Comment Type **E** Comment Status **D**  
 Missing 'a' before 'time'.

SuggestedRemedy  
 Insert 'a' before 'time'.

Proposed Response Response Status **W**  
 PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 40 SC 40.12.5 P113 L35 # 72  
 Turner, Edward J Gnodal Ltd

Comment Type **E** Comment Status **D**  
 Missing space after 'exceed'.

SuggestedRemedy  
 Insert space after 'exceed'.

Proposed Response Response Status **W**  
 PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 45 SC 45.2.4.1.3a P121 L28 # 73  
 Turner, Edward J Gnodal Ltd

Comment Type **T** Comment Status **D**  
 Incorrect reference to 'receive clock'. The PHY XS only has the capability to stop the transmit clock (as discussed in the previous sentence of this sub clause).

SuggestedRemedy  
 Change 'receive' to 'transmit'.

Proposed Response Response Status **W**  
 PROPOSED ACCEPT.

## Proposed responses

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CI 45 SC 45.2.4.1.3b P121 L34 # 74  
Turner, Edward J Gnodal Ltd

Comment Type T Comment Status D

Incorrect reference to 'receive clock'. This register bit controls stopping XAUI signalling, rather than clocks.

*SuggestedRemedy*

Change 'receive clock' to 'receive path XAUI signals'.

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

CI 45 SC 45.2.4.2.2a P122 L39 # 75  
Turner, Edward J Gnodal Ltd

Comment Type TR Comment Status D

The first sentence is unclear, and the second sentence related to PHY behavior which is not controlled through the MMD.

*SuggestedRemedy*

Delete second sentence completely and change first sentence to : 'If bit 4.1.6 is set to a one then the PHY XS is indicating that the attached PHY is permitted to stop the receive xMII clock whilst it is signalling LPI. If the bit is set to a zero then the PHY XS is indicating that the attached PHY is not permitted to stop the receive xMII clock whilst it is signalling LPI.' You may wish to consider an additional sentence: 'It is the responsibility of the management entity to ensure that an attached PHY device does not have it's stop clock enable bit (3.0.10) set if this bit is cleared'.

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Change the first sentence as proposed, change "receive xMII clock" to "receive direction xMII clock".

Change the second sentence to:

If the attached PHY does not support EEE capability or is not able to stop the receive direction xMII clock then this bit has no effect.

CI 45 SC 45.2.4.8a.2 P123 L28 # 76  
Turner, Edward J Gnodal Ltd

Comment Type TR Comment Status D

The first sentence is unclear, and the second sentence discusses a receive clock.

*SuggestedRemedy*

Delete second sentence completely and change first sentence to : 'If bit 4.20.0 is set to a one then the PHY XS is indicating that the attached DTE XS is permitted to stop transmitting XAUI signals during LPI. If the bit is set to a zero then the PHY XS is indicating that the attached DTE XS is not permitted to stop transmitting XAUI signals during LPI.'

You may wish to consider an additional sentence: 'It is the responsibility of the management entity to ensure that an attached DTE XS device does not have it's XAUI stop enable bit (5.0.9) set if this bit is cleared'

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Change the first sentence as proposed.

Change the second sentence to:

If the DTE XS does not support EEE capability or is not able to stop the transmit direction XAUI then this bit has no effect.

CI 45 SC 45.2.5.1.3b P125 L34 # 77  
Turner, Edward J Gnodal Ltd

Comment Type T Comment Status D

Incorrect reference to 'receive clock'.

*SuggestedRemedy*

Change 'receive clock' to transmit path XAUI signals'.

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

## Proposed responses

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CI 45 SC 45.2.5.2 P126 L5 # 78  
Turner, Edward J Gnodal Ltd

Comment Type **TR** Comment Status **D**

Incorrect table name and register numbers.

*SuggestedRemedy*

Change title to 'DTE XS status 1 register bit definitions' and change all register bit numbers from 4.1 to 5.1.

Proposed Response Response Status **W**

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

CI 45 SC 45.2.5.2.2a P126 L39 # 79  
Turner, Edward J Gnodal Ltd

Comment Type **TR** Comment Status **D**

The first sentence is unclear, and the second sentence discusses MAC functionality.

*SuggestedRemedy*

Delete the second sentence and change the first sentence to : 'If bit 5.1.6 is set to a one then the DTE XS is indicating that the attached MAC is permitted to stop the transmit xMII clock whilst it is signalling LPI. If the bit is set to a zero then the DTE XS is indicating that the attached MAC is not permitted to stop the transmit xMII clock whilst it is signalling LPI.'. You may wish to consider an additional sentence: 'It is the responsibility of the management entity to ensure that the attached RS does not stop the transmit xMII clock if this bit is cleared'.

Proposed Response Response Status **W**

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Change the first sentence as proposed, except that RS is substituted for MAC.

Change the second sentence to:

If the RS does not support EEE capability or is not able to stop the transmit direction xMII clock then this bit has no effect.

See comment #160

CI 45 SC 45.2.5.8a.2 P127 L28 # 80  
Turner, Edward J Gnodal Ltd

Comment Type **TR** Comment Status **D**

The first sentence is unclear, and the second sentence discusses a receive clock.

*SuggestedRemedy*

Delete second sentence completely, and change the first sentence to : 'If bit 5.20.0 is set to a one then the DTE XS is indicating that the attached PHY XS is permitted to stop the XAUI signalling in the receive direction during LPI. If the bit is set to a zero then the DTE XS is indicating that the attached PHY XS is not permitted to stop the XAUI signalling on the receive direction during LPI.' You may wish to consider an additional sentence: 'It is the responsibility of the management entity to ensure that an attached PHY XS device does not have it's XAUI stop enable bit (4.0.9) set if this bit is cleared.'

Proposed Response Response Status **W**

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Change the first sentence as proposed.

Change the second sentence to:

If the PHY XS does not support EEE capability or is not able to stop the receive direction XAUI then this bit has no effect.

CI 46 SC 46.3.1.5 P136 L25 # 81  
Turner, Edward J Gnodal Ltd

Comment Type **TR** Comment Status **D**

The part of the sentence '..only if the stop clock capable bit is asserted (see 45.2.3.2.2a) only reference a PCS MMD. The device attached to the RS could be a DTE XS.

*SuggestedRemedy*

Change the end of the sentence to ' .. only if the clock stop capable bit of the attached sublayer is asserted (see 45.2.3.2.2a and 45.2.5.2.2a).

Proposed Response Response Status **W**

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

## Proposed responses

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**Cl 46**    **SC 46.3.2.4**                      **P137**            **L 23**            # **82**  
 Turner, Edward J                                      Gnodal Ltd  
**Comment Type**    **T**                      **Comment Status**    **D**  
 This sentence only discusses a PHY, but it could be a DTE XS that is stopping the RX\_CLK.  
**SuggestedRemedy**  
 Change start of sentence to 'The PHY or DTE XS may halt RX\_CLK..' and change the end to '(see 45.2.3.1.3a and 45.2.5.1.3a).  
**Proposed Response**                      **Response Status**    **W**  
 PROPOSED ACCEPT.

**Cl 46**    **SC 46.3a.2.1**                      **P139**            **L 36**            # **83**  
 Turner, Edward J                                      Gnodal Ltd  
**Comment Type**    **E**                      **Comment Status**    **D**  
 Unnecessary 'expired'.  
**SuggestedRemedy**  
 Delete 'expired'.  
**Proposed Response**                      **Response Status**    **W**  
 PROPOSED ACCEPT.

**Cl 46**    **SC 46.3a.2.1**                      **P139**            **L 43**            # **84**  
 Turner, Edward J                                      Gnodal Ltd  
**Comment Type**    **T**                      **Comment Status**    **D**  
 Unclear when tw\_timer\_done is asserted.  
**SuggestedRemedy**  
 Change to 'The signal tw\_timer\_done is asserted when tw\_timer reaches its terminal count.'  
**Proposed Response**                      **Response Status**    **W**  
 PROPOSED ACCEPT.

**Cl 70**    **SC 70.6.10.1.3**                      **P227**            **L 16**            # **85**  
 Turner, Edward J                                      Gnodal Ltd  
**Comment Type**    **E**                      **Comment Status**    **D**  
 Missing determiners.  
**SuggestedRemedy**  
 Add 'the' before 'PCS' and 'the' before 'local PMD'.  
**Proposed Response**                      **Response Status**    **W**  
 PROPOSED ACCEPT.

**Cl 70**    **SC 70.7.1.5**                              **P227**            **L 53**            # **86**  
 Turner, Edward J                                      Gnodal Ltd  
**Comment Type**    **E**                      **Comment Status**    **D**  
 Missing space before units.  
**SuggestedRemedy**  
 Add space before 'mV' and 'ns'.  
**Proposed Response**                      **Response Status**    **W**  
 PROPOSED ACCEPT.

**Cl 71**    **SC 71.1**                                      **P230**            **L 13**            # **87**  
 Turner, Edward J                                      Gnodal Ltd  
**Comment Type**    **T**                      **Comment Status**    **D**  
 Unclear what is being deactivated in the expression : '.. ceases transmission and deactivates transmit to conserve energy'.  
**SuggestedRemedy**  
 Insert 'functions' after 'deactivates transmit'  
**Proposed Response**                      **Response Status**    **W**  
 PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Will rewrite paragraph similar to that in proposed resolution to comment #129

## Proposed responses

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Cl 71 SC 71.6.6 P231 L17 # 88  
 Turner, Edward J Gnodal Ltd  
 Comment Type E Comment Status D  
 Two occurrences of 'specified in' one after another.  
 SuggestedRemedy  
 Delete one occurrence.  
 Proposed Response Response Status W  
 PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 71 SC 71.6.12 P231 L29 # 89  
 Turner, Edward J Gnodal Ltd  
 Comment Type ER Comment Status D  
 Incorrect reference to backplane auto-neg.  
 SuggestedRemedy  
 Change 'Clause 45' to 'Clause 73'  
 Proposed Response Response Status W  
 PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 71 SC 71.6.12 P231 L31 # 90  
 Turner, Edward J Gnodal Ltd  
 Comment Type E Comment Status D  
 Missing apostrophe before 's' of 'link partners'.  
 SuggestedRemedy  
 Insert apostrophe.  
 Proposed Response Response Status W  
 PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 71 SC 71.6.12.1.3 P232 L7 # 91  
 Turner, Edward J Gnodal Ltd  
 Comment Type E Comment Status D  
 Missing determiners.  
 SuggestedRemedy  
 Insert 'the' before 'PCS' and 'the' before 'local receiver'.  
 Proposed Response Response Status W  
 PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 71 SC 71.7.1.4 P232 L41 # 92  
 Turner, Edward J Gnodal Ltd  
 Comment Type E Comment Status D  
 Missing spaces before units.  
 SuggestedRemedy  
 Insert spaces before 'mV' (two instances) and 'ns' (two instances).  
 Proposed Response Response Status W  
 PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 72 SC 72.6.2 P236 L10 # 93  
 Turner, Edward J Gnodal Ltd  
 Comment Type E Comment Status D  
 Missing determiner.  
 SuggestedRemedy  
 Insert 'the' before 'PMD'.  
 Proposed Response Response Status W  
 PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 72 SC 72.6.10.1 P237 L29 # 94  
 Turner, Edward J Gnodal Ltd  
 Comment Type E Comment Status D  
 Missing apostrophe before 's' of 'link partners'.  
 SuggestedRemedy  
 Insert apostrophe.  
 Proposed Response Response Status W  
 PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 72 SC 72.7.1.4 P238 L39 # 95  
 Turner, Edward J Gnodal Ltd  
 Comment Type E Comment Status D  
 Missing space before units.  
 SuggestedRemedy  
 Insert space before 'mV' and 'ns' (two instances).  
 Proposed Response Response Status W  
 PROPOSED ACCEPT.

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**Cl 74**    **SC 74.5.1.8**                      **P244**    **L4**                      # **96**  
 Turner, Edward J                                      Gnodal Ltd  
**Comment Type**    **E**                      **Comment Status**    **D**  
 Use of 'usec' rather than 'microseconds' or 'us'.  
**SuggestedRemedy**  
 Change to 'us'. Also on line 17.  
**Proposed Response**                      **Response Status**    **W**  
 PROPOSED ACCEPT.

**Cl 74**    **SC 74.5.1.8**                      **P244**    **L10**                      # **97**  
 Turner, Edward J                                      Gnodal Ltd  
**Comment Type**    **T**                      **Comment Status**    **D**  
 The phrase 'FEC sub layer will precluded from asserting ..' is unclear.  
**SuggestedRemedy**  
 Change to 'The FEC sublayer is prevented from asserting ..'  
**Proposed Response**                      **Response Status**    **W**  
 PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.  
 Refer to comment 289

**Cl 78**    **SC 78.2**                                      **P251**    **L41**                      # **98**  
 Turner, Edward J                                      Gnodal Ltd  
**Comment Type**    **TR**                      **Comment Status**    **D**  
 The definition of Ts is ambiguous.  
**SuggestedRemedy**  
 Change to 'The period of time that the PHY transmits sleep before turning all transmitters off.'  
**Proposed Response**                      **Response Status**    **W**  
 PROPOSED ACCEPT.

**Cl 78**    **SC 78.2**                                      **P251**    **L42**                      # **99**  
 Turner, Edward J                                      Gnodal Ltd  
**Comment Type**    **T**                      **Comment Status**    **D**  
 The definition of Tq is unclear.  
**SuggestedRemedy**  
 Change to 'The period of time that the PHY remains quiet before sending the refresh signal.'  
**Proposed Response**                      **Response Status**    **W**  
 PROPOSED ACCEPT.

**Cl 78**    **SC 78.4.3.1**                      **P260**    **L3**                      # **100**  
 Turner, Edward J                                      Gnodal Ltd  
**Comment Type**    **E**                      **Comment Status**    **D**  
 Missing words.  
**SuggestedRemedy**  
 Add 'the' before 'MIRROR UPDATE', add 'the' before 'SYSTEM', add 'state' after 'REALLOCATION', add 'the' before 'TX UPDATE', add 'the' before 'UPDATE MIRROR'  
**Proposed Response**                      **Response Status**    **W**  
 PROPOSED ACCEPT.

**Cl 78**    **SC 78.4.3.2**                      **P260**    **L16**                      # **101**  
 Turner, Edward J                                      Gnodal Ltd  
**Comment Type**    **E**                      **Comment Status**    **D**  
 Need to change 'lesser than' to 'less than either'.  
**SuggestedRemedy**  
 Apply change.  
**Proposed Response**                      **Response Status**    **W**  
 PROPOSED ACCEPT.



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Cl 78 SC 78.4.3.2 P260 L17 # 102  
Turner, Edward J Gnodal Ltd

Comment Type E Comment Status D  
Missing determiners.

*SuggestedRemedy*

Add 'the' before 'SYSTEM', add 'the' before 'RX UPDATE', add 'the' before 'SYSTEM REALLOCATION', add 'the' before 'CHANGE'.

Proposed Response Response Status W  
PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 79 SC 79.3.a.2 P264 L16 # 103  
Turner, Edward J Gnodal Ltd

Comment Type E Comment Status D  
Missing 'a'.

*SuggestedRemedy*

Add 'a' before 'longer'.

Proposed Response Response Status W  
PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 00 SC 0 P4 L30 # 104  
Law, David 3Com

Comment Type E Comment Status D  
'IEEE Std 802.3-2008(TM)/Cor 1-200X' should read 'IEEE Std 802.3-2008(TM)/Cor 1-2009' now that the corrigendum has been published.

*SuggestedRemedy*

See comment.

Proposed Response Response Status W  
PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 46 SC 46.3.1.5 P136 L25 # 105  
Turner, Edward J Gnodal Ltd

Comment Type TR Comment Status D  
Additional qualification required regarding the halting of the TX\_CLK (this is an extension of the comment regarding an additional reference to the DTE XS stop clock capable bit being required in this sub clause).

*SuggestedRemedy*

Add the sentence: 'It is the responsibility of the management entity to ensure that the RS does not halt the TX\_CLK if the attached device does not have its stop clock capable bit set'.

Proposed Response Response Status W  
PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 45 SC 45.2.4.1.3a P121 L26 # 106  
Horner, Rita Avago Technologies

Comment Type TR Comment Status D  
The text is a bit confusing. "If bit 4.0.10 is set to 1 then the PHY XS may stop the transmit xMII clock while it is signaling LPI otherwise it shall keep the clock "active. If the PHY XS does not support EEE capability or is not able to stop the receive clock then this bit has no effect". Is this to stop TX\_CLK or RX\_CLK @ XGMII interface?

*SuggestedRemedy*

Change the text for better clarity.

Proposed Response Response Status W  
PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

The PHY XS only has control of the RX\_CLK on its XGMII interface, however this is connected to the TX\_CLK on the PHY. Hence causing confusion.

Change "transmit xMII clock" to "transmit direction xMII clock"

See also comment #73 - fixes incorrect reference to "receive clock"

CI 45 SC 45.2.4.1.3b P121 L32 # 107  
 Horner, Rita Avago Technologies

Comment Type TR Comment Status D

In the statement: "If bit 4.0.9 is set to 1 then the PHY XS may stop signaling on the XAUI in the receive direction during LPI . . . ", is the bit 4.0.9 to stop XAUI signaling going out from the PHY? How would this correlates to XAUI clock? Disabling the interface clock does not gurantee that the low power mode is entered for all applications.

SuggestedRemedy

Suggest to remove the correlation between clock disable and data disable during LPI mode.

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

There is confusion caused by incorrect wording in this and other subclauses. This control bit is only intended to control the XAUI signaling that goes out of the PHY XS.

See comments: 158, 75, 74, 73, 157, 156

CI 45 SC 45.2.4.2.2a P122 L39 # 108  
 Horner, Rita Avago Technologies

Comment Type TR Comment Status D

If bit 4.1.6 is set to 0, bit 4.0.10 and 4.0.9 have no effect?

SuggestedRemedy

This needs to be clearly stated if that is what is inteneded to be.

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

These bits are orthoganal but the current definitions are incorrect - causing confusion.

See comments: 158, 75, 74, 73, 157, 156

CI 49 SC 49.2.13.3.1 P173 L # 109  
 Horner, Rita Avago Technologies

Comment Type TR Comment Status D

In Figure 49-17, Transition priority from RX\_SLEEP state is ambiguous

SuggestedRemedy

The transition from RX\_SLEEP to RX\_SLEEP should be qualified with signal\_ok. i.e. :  
 $\sim rx\_tq\_timer\_done * R\_TYPE(rx\_coded)=LI * signal\_ok$ .

The transition from RX\_SLEEP to RX\_ACTIVE should also be based on signal\_ok : i.e.  
 $rx\_block\_clock * \sim rx\_tq\_timer\_done * R\_TYPE(rx\_coded)=IDLE * signal\_ok$ .

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

CI 49 SC 49.2.13.3.1 P173 L # 110  
 Horner, Rita Avago Technologies

Comment Type TR Comment Status D

In Figure 49-17, Transition from RX\_WTF is ambiguous

SuggestedRemedy

The transition from RX\_WTF to either RX\_LINK\_FAIL or RX\_SLEEP or RX\_ACTIVE should also be based on energy detect to give energy\_detect highest priority.

The transition from RX\_WTF to RX\_SLEEP should be based on energy\_detect. i.e. :  
 $!rx\_wf\_timer\_done * rx\_block\_lock * R\_TYPE(rx\_coded) = LI * energy\_detect$

The transition from RX\_WTF to RX\_ACTIVE should be based on energy\_detect. i.e. :  
 $!rx\_wf\_timer\_done * rx\_block\_lock * R\_TYPE(rx\_coded) \text{ not equal } LI * energy\_detect$

The transision from RX\_WTF to RX\_LINK\_FAIL should be based on energy\_detect. i.e. :  
 $rx\_wf\_timer\_done * energy\_detect$

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

See comment #152

Also add "\*" energy\_detect" into transitions towards RX\_SLEEP & RX\_ACTIVE.

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CI 49 SC 49.2.13.2.5 P167 L14 # 111  
 Horner, Rita Avago Technologies

Comment Type TR Comment Status D  
 one\_us\_timer is approximately 4.9 FEC frames long.

*SuggestedRemedy*

Change the one\_us\_timer value to be 32 \* 5 66-bit blocks. This ensures reception of 4 FEC frames containing unscrambled data.

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED REJECT.

The 1uS timer is sufficient to ensure that 5 unscrambled FEC frames are sent - because of the operation of the FEC logic.

CI 49 SC 49.2.6 P162 L33 # 112  
 Gustlin, Mark Cisco Systems, Inc.

Comment Type E Comment Status D  
 The scrambler equation does not show clearly in the pdf.

*SuggestedRemedy*

Fix it.

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

CI 49 SC 49.2.8 P163 L3 # 113  
 Gustlin, Mark Cisco Systems, Inc.

Comment Type T Comment Status D  
 Saying "The scrambler shall continue to advance normally." seems strange, it is really just advancing normally, though operating in bypass mode.

*SuggestedRemedy*

Change:The scrambler shall continue to operate normally.  
 To:The scrambler state shall continue to advance normally.

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

CI 49 SC 49.2.13.2.3 P163 L33 # 114  
 Gustlin, Mark Cisco Systems, Inc.

Comment Type T Comment Status D  
 Change:  
 one of the five or six types  
 To:one of six types  
 Doesn't make sense to say both...there are 6 types

*SuggestedRemedy*

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Change:  
 one of the five or six types  
 To:one of six types

CI 49 SC 49.2.13.2.3 P164 L50 # 115  
 Gustlin, Mark Cisco Systems, Inc.

Comment Type T Comment Status D  
 Change:one of the five types  
 To:one of the six types  
 There are six types now.

*SuggestedRemedy*

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Change "five" to "six"

CI 78 SC 78.4.2.5 P257 L35 # 116  
 Gustlin, Mark Cisco Systems, Inc.

Comment Type E Comment Status D  
 New\_TX\_VALUE  
 should be:  
 NEW\_TX\_VALUE

*SuggestedRemedy*

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

## Proposed responses

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Cl 49 SC 49.2.4.4 P161 L 22 # 117  
Healey, Adam LSI Corporation

Comment Type T Comment Status D

In Figure 49-4, the block diagram explicitly provides for a PMA, FEC, or WIS sublayer below the PCS. It also provides for the rx\_lpi\_active signal to be sent to that sublayer when it is a FEC sublayer. Therefore, it should also be stated FEC\_SIGNAL.indication primitive is passed to the PCS when the sublayer below it is the FEC sublayer.

*SuggestedRemedy*

Update the block diagram accordingly.

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED REJECT.

The signal "energy\_detect" is shown on the diagram. This can come from the PMA or the FEC.

Cl 49 SC 49.2.6 P162 L 33 # 118  
Healey, Adam LSI Corporation

Comment Type E Comment Status D

Equation (49-1) appears to be cropped in the PDF.

*SuggestedRemedy*

Correct the issue.

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 49 SC 49.2.13.2.3 P165 L 1 # 119  
Healey, Adam LSI Corporation

Comment Type E Comment Status D

Figure 49-13 appear right in the middle of the definition of TX\_BLOCK\_TYPE.

*SuggestedRemedy*

Move Figure 49-13 to a more logical location.

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Add white space to allow the diagram to appear in a better location.

Cl 49 SC 49.2.13.2.2 P166 L 9 # 120  
Healey, Adam LSI Corporation

Comment Type E Comment Status D

This content of this note is already stated in 49.2.9 (page 163, line 16). It seems like this observation only needs to be stated once. In addition, this editorial instruction pertains to a subclause preceding 49.2.13.3 and should be placed there.

*SuggestedRemedy*

Remove redundant text. If the text pertaining to the new note is kept, relocate it so the change instructions are listed in clause order.

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Keep the note, reorder the subclauses (see comment #333).

Cl 49 SC 49.2.13.2.5 P167 L 15 # 121  
Healey, Adam LSI Corporation

Comment Type T Comment Status D

The value of one\_us\_timer should have a tolerance.

*SuggestedRemedy*

Define minimum and maximum values for the terminal count.

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Add (+/- 1%) after 1uS.

Cl 22 SC 22.6a.3.1 P30 L 8 # 122  
Healey, Adam LSI Corporation

Comment Type E Comment Status D

Extraneous period in the transition from LPI\_DEASSERTED to LPI\_ASSERTED.

*SuggestedRemedy*

Change to "LPI\_REQUEST = ASSERT"

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

CI 49 SC 49.2.13.1 P173 L44 # 123  
Healey, Adam LSI Corporation

Comment Type TR Comment Status D

In Figure 49-17, there is a problem with the mechanism described to recover from a wake time fault. The variable energy\_detect is used to determine if the transmitter has returned to the quiet state. This requires capabilities beyond what is otherwise assumed for 10GBASE-KR energy\_detect. Per 72.6.4 (page 236, line 26), the value of PMD signal\_detect is determined by the 10GBASE-KR training state diagram (in other words, it is set to TRUE) when rx\_mode is DATA. Since rx\_mode is set to DATA in the RX\_WAKE state, and not changed upon a transition to the RX\_WTF state, the branch to the RX\_QUIET state can never be taken. Also note energy\_detect has been defined as a mechanism to detect the transmitter's transition from TX\_QUIET to TX\_ALERT (it is only enabled during rx\_mode = QUIET) and a special alert signal has been defined to facilitate this. The energy\_detect variable should not be assumed to be a general indication of signal presence (or absence). If there is no robust means to distinguish between a quiet and an active line, then this transition has little value. It may be more reasonable to extend the refresh time to give the receiver a reasonable chance to recover before the line goes quiet again. If the receiver is unable to recover, then it is likely the link needs to fully retrained and therefore be taken down.

*SuggestedRemedy*

Remove the transition from RX\_WTF to RX\_QUIET. Consider extending the refresh time to give the receiver a longer opportunity to recover from a wake time fault during refresh.

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Remove transition as suggested.

There is no need to extend refresh as multiple refresh intervals should be seen before the wf\_timer expires.

CI 49 SC 49.2.13.3.1 P174 L37 # 124  
Healey, Adam LSI Corporation

Comment Type TR Comment Status D

The values for TWR (for both scr\_bypass\_enable = FALSE are TRUE) are too large. The values significantly exceed minimum MAC transmit deferral time Tw\_sys\_tx defined in Table 78-4. This implies that the packet (or packets) transmitted immediately follow the minimum deferral time will disappear and no error will be recorded to account for their absence. Note that rx\_lpi\_active remains TRUE until the wake is successful (i.e. a transition to the RX\_ACTIVE state). As long as rx\_lpi\_active is TRUE, the PCS receive state diagram cannot leave the RX\_LI state which means any data received while the PHY is in the process of waking will be swallowed by the PHY and only LPI will be presented at the receive XGMII. Because of this, it is critical that the PHY count wake errors to account for any disappearance of packets. The times were initially extended to provide for the case of a WAKE directly from refresh. This is a non-issue when the FEC sublayer is not included in the PHY stack (the receiver will either transition to RX\_ACTIVE directly or via RX\_SLEEP and there will be no wake time fault) . When FEC is included, it may be an issue since entry into x\_SCR\_BYPASS may delayed which will in turn delay rx\_block\_lock. This issue is readily addressed by a simplification of the Transmit LPI state diagram where a refresh is rendered as the sequence TX\_ALERT -> TX\_WAKE -> [TX\_SCR\_BYPASS] -> TX\_SLEEP. The existing transition from TX\_SLEEP to TX\_ACTIVE addresses "wake from refresh" events. Such a change greatly simplifies the state diagram, allows the definition of T\_WR values that enable the correct counting of wake errors, and ensures that entry into TX\_SCR\_BYPASS occurs on a consistent schedule for any series of refresh, wake, or wake from refresh events.

*SuggestedRemedy*

A presentation will be submitted that proposed a new Transmit LPI state machine that addresses the core issue and revises the TWR values.

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED REJECT.

(if the proposed change to the transmit state machine is not accepted).

Change the value of Tw\_sys\_tx defined in Table 78-4 to match this clause.

CI 49 SC 49.2.13.3.1 P174 L37 # 125  
Healey, Adam LSI Corporation

Comment Type TR Comment Status D

For the case where signal\_ok is generated by the PMA sublayer (i.e. no FEC sublayer in the stack), it seems that more is being read into the meaning of this variable than what is actually defined. In the RX\_SLEEP state, rx\_mode is set to DATA which means that, per 72.6.4, signal\_detect is determined by the 10GBASE-KR training state diagram (e.g. it is TRUE). Per 51.4.1, the PMA qualifies this signal with the optional PMA loopback signal (irrelevant) or the optional Sync\_Err function. Even when implemented, the Sync\_Err function is defined to report TRUE when there is a synchronization error but it is also stated that a value of FALSE does not guarantee synchronization. Therefore, the PMA signal\_ok signal does not appear to be a sufficiently robust indicator of the absence of an input signal.

*SuggestedRemedy*

Change the condition for the transition from RX\_SLEEP to RX\_QUIET to be !rx\_tq\_timer\_done \* !rx\_block\_lock. Since !signal\_ok also forces rx\_block\_lock to be FALSE, the intended behavior is preserved if signal\_ok behaves as assumed by the current state diagram. If signal\_ok is not a robust indicator of the absence of the signal, then loss of block lock provides a fail-safe to ensure the receiver enters the RX\_QUIET state. This works equally well when the FEC sublayer is included.

Proposed Response Response Status W  
PROPOSED ACCEPT.

CI 74 SC 74.5.1 P242 L11 # 126  
Healey, Adam LSI Corporation

Comment Type T Comment Status D

The editor's note indicates that Draft 2.3 of IEEE P802.3ba was used as the base document for the proposed changes. Update the changes to be consistent with the most recent draft of IEEE P802.3ba or the approved standard when available. Update the editor's note accordingly.

*SuggestedRemedy*

Per comment.

Proposed Response Response Status W  
PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Remove "(using 802.3baD2.3 as the base)"

CI 74 SC 74.4.1 P241 L46 # 127  
Healey, Adam LSI Corporation

Comment Type TR Comment Status D

The are multiple problems with this figure. Service interface primitives between the PCS and FEC sublayers should be labeled FEC\_TX\_MODE, FEC\_RX\_MODE, FEC\_LPI\_ACTIVE, and FEC\_ENERGY respectively. Service interface primitives between the FEC and PMA sublayers should be labeled PMA\_TX\_MODE, PMA\_RX\_MODE, and PMA\_ENERGY respectively. There is no FEC[PMA]\_LPI\_ACTIVE.request between the FEC and PMA sublayers.

*SuggestedRemedy*

Correct the figure per the comment.

Proposed Response Response Status W  
PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Refer to comments # 281, 282 and 283

CI 74 SC 74.5.1 P242 L22 # 128  
Healey, Adam LSI Corporation

Comment Type ER Comment Status D

Editorial instructions are sparse and there appears to be numerous sections of changed (actually inserted) text that are not underlined. Erroneously marked items include page 242, line 22, (item f should be underlined), page 22, line 24, ("Items d, e, . . ." should be underlined), page 242, line 31 (entire paragraph should be underlined or preceded by an insert instruction), page 242 line 38 (the instruction is insert 74.5.1.4 so the inserted content should not be underlined), and page 244, line 27 (the whole sentence should be underlined as it is all changed text).

*SuggestedRemedy*

Scrub the clause to ensure that the guidelines for editing instructions have been satisfied.

Proposed Response Response Status W  
PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 72 SC 72.1 P235 L19 # 129  
Healey, Adam LSI Corporation

Comment Type E Comment Status D

It was decided that the "low power state" should be referred to as "low power idle (LPI) mode." The GMII signal is labeled "Assert LPI" and not "Assert Low Power Idle" or "Assert PMD\_LPI". There is no clear definition of what "sleep symbols" are.

*SuggestedRemedy*

Change paragraph as follows. "A 10GBASE-KR PHY with the optional Energy Efficient Ethernet (EEE) capability may optionally enter the Low Power Idle (LPI) mode to conserve energy during periods of low link utilization. The "Assert LPI" request at the XGMII is encoded in the transmitted symbols. Detection of LPI signaling in the received symbols is indicated as "Assert LPI" at the XGMII. Upon the detection of "Assert LPI" at the XGMII, an Energy Efficient 10GBASE-KR PHY continues transmitting for a pre-defined period, then ceases transmission and deactivates transmit functions to conserve energy. The PHY periodically transmits during this quiet period to allow the remote PHY to refresh its receiver state (e.g. timing recovery, adaptive filter coefficients) and thereby track long term variation in the timing of the link or the underlying channel characteristics. If, during the quiet or refresh periods, normal inter-frame is asserted at the XGMII, the PHY re-activates transmit functions and initiates transmission. This transmission will be detected by the remote PHY, causing it to also exit the LPI mode." In addition, scrub the rest of the clause for instances of "low power mode" and replace them with "LPI mode".

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Using most of Suggested Remedy with a few minor corrections.

"A 10GBASE-KR PHY with the optional Energy Efficient Ethernet (EEE) capability may optionally enter the Low Power Idle (LPI) mode to conserve energy during periods of low link utilization. The "Assert LPI" request at the XGMII is encoded in the transmitted symbols. Detection of LPI signaling in the received symbols is indicated as "Assert LPI" at the XGMII. Upon the detection of "Assert LPI" at the XGMII, an Energy Efficient 10GBASE-KR PHY continues transmitting for a pre-defined period, then ceases transmission and deactivates transmit functions to conserve energy. The PHY periodically transmits during this quiet period to allow the remote PHY to refresh its receiver state (e.g. timing recovery, adaptive filter coefficients) and thereby track long term variations in the timing of the link or the underlying channel characteristics. If, during the quiet or refresh periods, normal inter-frames resume at the XGMII, the PHY re-activates transmit functions and initiates transmission. This transmission will be detected by the remote PHY, causing it to also exit the LPI mode."

Note to editor, also examine clause 70 & 71 to keep it consistent.

Will also replace inconsistencies with "LPI mode" where necessary in clauses 69-72 as suggested here and in comment #265.

Cl 72 SC 72.2 P235 L44 # 130  
Healey, Adam LSI Corporation

Comment Type E Comment Status D

Spelling: "conserver" should be "conserve". See also line 47.

*SuggestedRemedy*

Per comment.

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT. See resolution in comment #131

Cl 72 SC 72.2 P235 L43 # 131  
Healey, Adam LSI Corporation

Comment Type E Comment Status D

Nomenclature: "tx\_mode" and "rx\_mode" are parameters and "PMD\_TX\_MODE.request" and "PMD\_RX\_MODE.request" are primitives that convey those parameters.

*SuggestedRemedy*

Update the paragraph to be consistent with this nomenclature.

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Change 72.2 to the following:

If EEE is supported, the PMD's transmit function enters into LPI mode when it receives the tx\_mode parameter set to QUIET via the PMD\_TX\_MODE.request and exits when set to DATA. While tx\_mode is set to QUIET the PMD transmitter logic should deactivate functional blocks to conserve energy. The PMD's receive function enters into LPI mode when it receives the rx\_mode parameter set to QUIET via the PMD\_RX\_MODE.request and exits when set to DATA. While rx\_mode is set to QUIET the PMD receiver logic should deactivate functional blocks to conserve energy. The PMD shall provide the following service interface primitives if EEE is implemented:

- PMD\_RX\_MODE.request(rx\_mode)
- PMD\_TX\_MODE.request(tx\_mode)

These primitives are described in 49.2.13.2.6 for the PCS and in 72.6.11 for this PMD.

Note to editor: Also similar corrections clauses 70 & 71.

## Proposed responses

## IEEE P802.3az D3.0 Energy Efficient Ethernet comments

Cl 72 SC 72.6 P236 L11 # 132  
Healey, Adam LSI Corporation

Comment Type T Comment Status D

For the "PRESET" state, "preset" is not capitalized. In addition, a cross-reference to 72.6.10.2.3.1 would directly lead the reader to a better definition of the preset state than the currently referenced 72.6.10.3.4.

*SuggestedRemedy*

Per comment.

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 72 SC 72.7.1.4 P238 L39 # 133  
Healey, Adam LSI Corporation

Comment Type TR Comment Status D

The definition of the transmitter wake signal is flawed. It specifies that the transmitter's differential peak-to-peak amplitude shall be greater than 90% of trained peak-to-peak value within 500 ns of tx\_mode being set to ALERT. However, 72.6.2 specifies that the transmitter will be placed in the preset state (c(0) is maximum, c(-1) and c(+1) are zero) when tx\_mode = ALERT. Referencing the amplitude of the preset waveform to the amplitude of the post-training waveform adds a degree of uncertainty with respect to what amplitude will actually be delivered to the receiver. Furthermore, a receiver will be required to accomodate the worst-case (lowest) amplitude that a link partner will deliver. In light of this, it makes sense to simply define an absolute minimum output voltage that must be achieved within 500 ns. Per Table 72-8, we know that the amplitude v2 must be within 400 to 600 mV ((zero-to-peak differential) for the preset condition. In this case 90% of the minimum value would be 360 mV. This is an equivalent yet unambiguous threshold.

*SuggestedRemedy*

Change the requirement as follows. "Furthermore, the transmitter's differential peak-to-peak output voltage shall be greater than 700 mV within 500 ns of tx\_mode being set to ALERT." [Rounded down from 720 mV.] Include a row in Table 72-6 for this value and the transmitter partial activation time.

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 72 SC 72.7.1.4 P238 L39 # 134  
Healey, Adam LSI Corporation

Comment Type TR Comment Status D

The requirements of 72.7.1.4 ensure that the transmitter will provide a signal with sufficient amplitude to alert the receiver signal detect function. It offers the receiver designer no guidance as to when the transmitter output will be fully compliant (amplitude, jitter, etc.).

*SuggestedRemedy*

Define the maximum time the transmitter is allowed, following the assertion of tx\_mode = ALERT, to obtain full compliance. This value is proposed to be 5 microseconds. The values in Table 78-4 must be updated to align with this allowance as this considered to be part of the transmitter's wake time shrinkage. Include a row in Table 72-6 for this value.

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Add a row to Table 72-6 as follows:

Parameter: Transmitter to previous Value after ALERT.  
Subclause: 72.7.1.4  
Value: 5  
Units: microseconds

Also need changes to Clause 78.

Cl 72 SC 72.6.4 P236 L20 # 135  
Healey, Adam LSI Corporation

Comment Type E Comment Status D

This sentence would read better if broken into two separate sentences.

*SuggestedRemedy*

Change as follows. "PMD\_SIGNAL.indication is used by 10GBASE-KR to indicate the successful completion of the start-up protocol. When the PHY supports the optional EEE capability, PMD\_SIGNAL.indication is also used to indicate when the ALERT signal is detected which corresponds to the beginning of a refresh or a wake."

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT.



CI 72 SC 72.6.11 P237 L32 # 136  
 Healey, Adam LSI Corporation

Comment Type T Comment Status D

The primitives should be defined as part of the PMD service interface (72.2).

*SuggestedRemedy*

Strike lines 32 through 36. Move 72.6.11.2 and 72.6.11.2 to 72.2.

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED REJECT.

These primitives are only relevant when EEE and LPI are implemented. So they are declared in 72.2 but defined in 72.6.11 for definitions. Proposed response to comment # 131 adds reference from 72.2 to 72.6.11.

CI 72 SC 72.6.4 P236 L27 # 137  
 Healey, Adam LSI Corporation

Comment Type TR Comment Status D

The behavior of the PMD signal detect function for the optional EEE capability is not completely defined. While the alert pattern and transmitter state are defined in 72.6.2, the electrical properties of the signal are not defined. The transmitter output properties of 72.7.1.4 should be combined with some notion of a channel in order to completely define the requirements. In addition, the signal detect activation and deactivation times are sequestered in Table 72-9. The cross-reference from Table 72-9 incorrectly points to 72.6.5 which pertains the PMD transmit disable function. There is no reference in 72.6.4 to Table 72-9. This information should be more closely associated with the definition of signal detect.

*SuggestedRemedy*

Change the paragraph as follows. "The value of the SIGNAL\_DETECT is defined by the training state diagram shown in Figure 72-5. When the PHY supports the optional EEE capability, SIGNAL\_DETECT is set to FAIL following a transition from rx\_mode = DATA to rx\_mode = QUIET. When rx\_mode = QUIET, signal\_detect shall be set to OK within 500 ns following the application of a square wave pattern with a period of 16 unit intervals and peak-to-peak differential output amplitude of TBD mV to the receiver input." A presentation will be provided with the proposed value for the square wave amplitude "TBD". Update Table 72-9 with the defined square wave amplitude and signal detect activation time, correcting the cross-reference to be 72.6.4. Remove the requirement for signal detect deassertion time from Table 72-9 since as it is irrelevant.

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

The electrical properties signal are defined at the transmitter during ALERT.

Table 72-9 is a summary table for quick reference. The actual receive electrical properties should be defined in 72.7.2. I propose we append a more verbose text description either at the end of 72.7.2.4 Input Signal Amplitude or delete it from the table and just put the information in the Signal Detect subclause 72.6.4.

The 1st suggested sentence implies that SIGNAL\_DETECT is defined by the state\_diagram at all times, but it does not. It needs to be bounded. I propose the following:

"The value of the SIGNAL\_DETECT is defined by the training state diagram shown in Figure 72-5 when the PHY does not support EEE or if the PHY supports EEE and rx\_mode is set to DATA. When the PHY supports the optional EEE capability, SIGNAL\_DETECT is set to FAIL following a transition from rx\_mode = DATA to rx\_mode = QUIET. When rx\_mode = QUIET, signal\_detect shall be set to OK within 500 ns following the application of a square wave pattern with a period of 16 unit intervals and peak-to-peak differential output amplitude of TBD mV to the receiver input."

Pending the value of TBD in presentation.

## Proposed responses

## IEEE P802.3az D3.0 Energy Efficient Ethernet comments

Cl 78 SC 78.2 P252 L27 # 138  
Healey, Adam LSI Corporation

Comment Type **TR** Comment Status **D**

The sleep (Ts), quiet (Tq), and refresh times (Tr) do not appear to be consistent with timers defined in Clause 49. For example, the sleep time is based on TSL (Table 49-2) is assigned a value 5 microseconds +/- 1%. Somehow this appears in Table 78-2 at 4.5 to 5.5 microseconds whereas it should be 4.95 to 5.05 microseconds.

*SuggestedRemedy*

Update the timers. A presentation will be provided that proposes the correct values.

Proposed Response Response Status **W**

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Review presentation and discuss

Cl 45 SC 45.2.5.2 P126 L5 # 139  
Parnaby, Gavin Solarflare Communicat

Comment Type **T** Comment Status **D**

I think the bits referred to in the first column of 45-125 are incorrect. 4.X should be 5.X

*SuggestedRemedy*

Change the first column of the table to refer to 5.X

Proposed Response Response Status **W**

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 55 SC 55.2.2.11 P188 L10 # 140  
Parnaby, Gavin Solarflare Communicat

Comment Type **GR** Comment Status **D**

loc\_lpi\_en does not control the PHY as intended. loc\_lpi\_en was intended to inhibit transitions to the transmit low power mode if the PHY had not reached the PCS data mode (i.e. during PCS Test). In the PCS 64B/65B state machine, Figure 55-15, the loc\_lpi\_en variable is used to inhibit transitions to TX\_LI. However, when lpi\_loc\_en is asserted the tx state machine will stay in the TX\_C state, which still encodes the XGMII data into the transmit signal. Therefore LPI codewords will be sent to the link partner, which will interpret them as a SLEEP command, and begin the transition into low power signaling. Since the transmit side is prevented from entering the TX\_L state until PCS\_data, the low power signaling will not be sent and the link will likely fail.

*SuggestedRemedy*

Use a different mechanism to prevent transitions to LPI during PCS\_Test e.g. hold the transmitter in TX\_INIT until the PCS\_Data state.

Proposed Response Response Status **W**

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

See #360

Cl 55 SC 55.2.2.3.1 P187 L5 # 141  
Parnaby, Gavin Solarflare Communicat

Comment Type **E** Comment Status **D**

ALERT) should be ALERT

*SuggestedRemedy*

As comment

Proposed Response Response Status **W**

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 55 SC 55.3.4a.3 P195 L35 # 142  
Parnaby, Gavin Solarflare Communicat

Comment Type **T** Comment Status **D**

The text should clarify whether scrambler reinitialization can be used for fast retrain.

*SuggestedRemedy*

State that scrambler reinitialization is not used for fast retrain.

Proposed Response Response Status **W**

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

See #366

## Proposed responses

## IEEE P802.3az D3.0 Energy Efficient Ethernet comments

Cl 55 SC 55.3.4a.1 P194 L12 # 143  
Parnaby, Gavin Solarflare Communicat

Comment Type T Comment Status D

Add clarifying text to state that this synchronization also takes place during fast retrain.

## SuggestedRemedy

'This synchronization shall also be performed at the transition to PCS\_Test during a fast retrain'

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

See #364 which makes the same change.

Cl 55 SC 55.3.5.4 P201 L14 # 144  
Parnaby, Gavin Solarflare Communicat

Comment Type E Comment Status D

Arrow head is badly placed on transition from TX\_INIT to TX\_C

## SuggestedRemedy

Fix arrow head

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 55 SC 55.3.5.4 P201 L12 # 145  
Parnaby, Gavin Solarflare Communicat

Comment Type E Comment Status D

The note states 'Signals and functions shown with dashed lines are only required for the EEE capability'.

However, on this diagram (and on some others), there is a single transition inside the dashed lines, and I don't believe this is classified as a signal or a function.

Should the text be changed to say

'Signals, functions and transitions shown with dashed lines are only required for the EEE capability'

## SuggestedRemedy

As comment

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED REJECT.

For discussion by the taskforce.

The editor would prefer not to make any change unless necessary.

Cl 55 SC 55.3.5.4 P200 L3 # 146  
Parnaby, Gavin Solarflare Communicat

Comment Type G Comment Status D

Add a note to this state diagram (or elsewhere) stating that rx\_lpi\_active and rx\_lpi\_wake are both set to FALSE if the EEE capability is not supported.

## SuggestedRemedy

As comment

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Add text to the description of rx\_lpi\_active in 55.3.5.2.2;  
'when the EEE capability is not supported rx\_lpi\_active is set false'.  
Add text to the description of rx\_lpi\_wake in 55.3.5.2.2;  
'when the EEE capability is not supported rx\_lpi\_wake is set false'.

Cl 45 SC 45.2.1.76a P115 L46 # 147  
Parnaby, Gavin Solarflare Communicat

Comment Type E Comment Status D

The description for bits 10 to 6 should come before the description for bit 0.

## SuggestedRemedy

Move LD fast retrain count (1.147.10:6) description before the Fast retrain enable (1.147.0) description

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

See comment #149

Cl 45 SC 45.2.1.76a.1 P115 L42 # 148  
Parnaby, Gavin Solarflare Communicat

Comment Type TR Comment Status D

Add text stating

'This bit shall be set high by the PHY upon successful negotiation of fast retrain ability with the link partner. See 45.2.7.10.5a'

## SuggestedRemedy

As comment

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

## Proposed responses

## IEEE P802.3az D3.0 Energy Efficient Ethernet comments

Cl 45 SC 45.2.1.76a P115 L39 # 149  
Parnaby, Gavin Solarflare Communicat

Comment Type E Comment Status D

Further to my earlier comment on 45.2.1.65a.1 and 45.2.1.76a.2, 45.2.1.67a.3 is also out of order.

The three subclauses should be listed in the following order:

LP fast retrain count (1.147.15:11)

LD fast retrain count (1.147.10:6)

Fast retrain enable (1.147.0)

SuggestedRemedy

As comment

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 46 SC 46.3.4 P137 L52 # 150  
Parnaby, Gavin Solarflare Communicat

Comment Type TR Comment Status D

We made a modification on line 50, but the same modification needs to be made on line 52.

SuggestedRemedy

Change 'the RS stops sending MAC data' to 'the RS stops sending MAC data or LPI'

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 49 SC 49.2.6 P162 L33 # 151  
Parnaby, Gavin Solarflare Communicat

Comment Type E Comment Status D

The scrambler polynomial is unreadable.

SuggestedRemedy

Fix the text.

[this is unchanged text from the base clause]

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 49 SC 49.2.13.3.1 P173 L40 # 152  
Parnaby, Gavin Solarflare Communicat

Comment Type T Comment Status D

The transitions from RX\_WTF to RX\_QUIET and RX\_LINK\_FAIL are not exclusive.

SuggestedRemedy

Add logic to make the transitions exclusive.

e.g. change the transition to RX\_QUIET to

!energy\_detect \* !rx\_wf\_timer\_done

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 55 SC 55.4.5.1 P211 L15 # 153  
Parnaby, Gavin Solarflare Communicat

Comment Type E Comment Status D

The sentence says there are four variables.

There are 6 variables listed.

SuggestedRemedy

Change the text to say 'The following six variables...'

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 55 SC 55.4.6 P213 L46 # 154  
Parnaby, Gavin Solarflare Communicat

Comment Type T Comment Status D

The transition from PCS\_Data due to a fast retrain should be qualified with minwait\_timer\_done, in the same manner as a normal retrain.

SuggestedRemedy

Change the transition from PCS\_Data to PMA\_INIT\_FR to

fast\_retrain\_flag \* minwait\_timer\_done

Also note that in several places in Figure 55-24 minwait\_timer\_done is shown as minwait\_timer\_done; this should be corrected.

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Change the transition from PCS\_Data to PMA\_INIT\_FR to fast\_retrain\_flag \*

minwait\_timer\_done

In Figure 55-24 change minwait timer\_done to minwait\_timer\_done in 4 places

## Proposed responses

## IEEE P802.3az D3.0 Energy Efficient Ethernet comments

Cl 45 SC 45.2.3.1.3a P117 L25 # 155  
Brown, Matthew Applied Micro (AMCC)

Comment Type **GR** Comment Status **D**

Several references in Clause 45 to 46.3.2.4a, which should be 46.3.2.4.

*SuggestedRemedy*

Change all instances of 46.3.2.4a to 46.3.2.4.

Proposed Response Response Status **W**

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Instances on p.117 l.25; p.118 l.31; p.121 l.28; p.122 l.42; p.125 l.28; p.126 l.41

Also, change references to live links.

Cl 45 SC 45.2.3.2.2a P118 L29 # 156  
Brown, Matthew Applied Micro (AMCC)

Comment Type **GR** Comment Status **D**

3.1.6 the xMII is driven by the RS layer not the MAC.

*SuggestedRemedy*

Change definition as follows... Change "the MAC may stop" to "the RS may stop". Change "the MAC does not support" to "the PHY does not support".

Proposed Response Response Status **W**

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 45 SC 45.2.4.1.3a P121 L26 # 157  
Brown, Matthew Applied Micro (AMCC)

Comment Type **GR** Comment Status **D**

I assume that this is the PHY XS transmit clock (TX\_CLK) which attaches to the PCS receive clock (RX\_CLK). Make this clear.

*SuggestedRemedy*

Change "the PHY XS may stop the transmit xMII clock" to "the PHY XS may stop the PHY\_XS transmit (or PCS receive) xMII clock from the attached PCS". Change "stop the receive clock" to "stop the PHY\_XS transmit clock". Need statement in Clause 48.

Proposed Response Response Status **W**

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

The terminology in the proposed remedy is correct but adds to the confusion. Changing "transmit xMII clock" to "transmit direction xMII clock" makes the text clearer. See comment #106

See also comment #73 - fixes incorrect reference to "receive clock"

Cl 45 SC 45.2.4.2.2a P122 L39 # 158  
Brown, Matthew Applied Micro (AMCC)

Comment Type **GR** Comment Status **D**

I assume that this is the PHY XS transmit clock (TX\_CLK) which attaches to the PCS transmit clock (TX\_CLK). Make this clear.

*SuggestedRemedy*

Change "the PHY XS is capable to allow the attached PHY to stop the receive xMII clock" to "the PHY XS is capable of stopping the PHY\_XS transmit (or PCS receive) xMII clock". Change "stop the receive clock" to "stop the PHY\_XS transmit clock". Need statement in Clause 48.

Proposed Response Response Status **W**

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

See comment #75

Cl 45 SC 45.2.5.1.3a P125 L26 # 159  
Brown, Matthew Applied Micro (AMCC)

Comment Type **GR** Comment Status **D**

I assume that this is the DTE XS transmit clock (TX\_CLK) which attaches to the RS transmit clock (RX\_CLK). Make this clear.

*SuggestedRemedy*

Change "the DTE XS may stop the transmit xMII clock" to "the DTE XS may stop the DTE transmit (or RS transmit) xMII clock". Change "stop the receive clock" to "stop the DTE XS transmit clock". Need statement in Clause 48.

Proposed Response Response Status **W**

PROPOSED REJECT.

The XGMII receive clock is an output of the XGXS, so the terminology and directions are correct in this subclause (unlike others!).

Clauses 47 & 48 are modified to indicate this function.

## Proposed responses

## IEEE P802.3az D3.0 Energy Efficient Ethernet comments

Cl 45 SC 45.2.4.2.2a P126 L39 # 160  
Brown, Matthew Applied Micro (AMCC)

Comment Type **GR** Comment Status **D**

The DTE XS transmit xMII clock is driven by the RS not the MAC.

*SuggestedRemedy*

Change "the DTE XS is capable to allow the MAC to stop the transmit xMII clock" to "the DTE XS is capable of stopping the RS transmit xMII clock". Change "stop the transmit clock" to "stop the DTE XS transmit clock". Need statement in Clause 48.

Proposed Response Response Status **W**

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Change references from MAC to RS. The wording in comment #79 makes a better description of the function.

See comment #79

Cl 45 SC 45.2.5.2 P126 L43 # 161  
Brown, Matthew Applied Micro (AMCC)

Comment Type **GR** Comment Status **D**

Table 45-125 refers to incorrect MDIO register 4.1; should be 5.1.

*SuggestedRemedy*

Change 4.1 to 5.1.

Proposed Response Response Status **W**

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 45 SC 45.2.7.14 P132 L23 # 162  
Brown, Matthew Applied Micro (AMCC)

Comment Type **GR** Comment Status **D**

Sub-clauses for each of the link partner ability bits are missing.

*SuggestedRemedy*

Add sub-clauses for each of the link partner ability bits listed in table 44-157b. Suggest copying entire contents of 45.2.7.13 and restating as link partner abilities, etc.

Proposed Response Response Status **W**

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

It would be redundant to repeat the definitions already in the ability register subclause.

Add the following text:

The definitions for the contents of the EEE LP ability register is given by the definition of the contents of the EEE advertisement register, 7.60 (see 45.2.7.13).

Cl 46 SC 46.1.7 P135 L24 # 163  
Brown, Matthew Applied Micro (AMCC)

Comment Type **GR** Comment Status **D**

Receipt of local fault also causes override of transmitted signal. Receipt of local or remote fault should also result in asserting carrier\_sense.

*SuggestedRemedy*

Append to last sentence of paragraph "or link is in a fault state."

Proposed Response Response Status **W**

PROPOSED REJECT.

This would be a significant change to existing PHY operation.

## Proposed responses

## IEEE P802.3az D3.0 Energy Efficient Ethernet comments

Cl 46 SC 46.1.7.3 P136 L49 # 164  
Brown, Matthew Applied Micro (AMCC)

Comment Type **TR** Comment Status **D**

Sub-clause 46.1.7.3 (from 802.3-2008) says that PLS\_CARRIER is not used. 46.1.7.3 must be modified to reflect the usage of PLS\_CARRIER.indication in LPI mode and link fault states on EEE capable PHYs.

*SuggestedRemedy*

Insert instruction to add the following text to 46.1.7.3. "On PHYs that support EEE, CARRIER\_STATUS will be set to defer MAC data when transmit LPI is active or if the link is in a fault state. CARRIER\_STATUS is set in response to LPI\_INDICATION as shown in Figure 46-10a. Also, if LOCAL FAULT or REMOTE FAULT is detected on RXD/RXC CARRIER\_STATUS is set to CARRIER\_ON."

Proposed Response Response Status **W**

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 46 SC 46.3.1.5 P136 L26 # 165  
Brown, Matthew Applied Micro (AMCC)

Comment Type **GR** Comment Status **D**

Need to specify when the clock must be turned back on.

*SuggestedRemedy*

Add sentence: "If TX\_CLK is halted during LPI mode, TX\_CLK must be restarted when LPI mode ends."

Proposed Response Response Status **W**

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Add sentence: "The RS may restart TX\_CLK at any time while it is asserting LPI, but shall restart TX\_CLK so that at least one positive transition occurs before it deasserts LPI."

Cl 46 SC 46.3.1.5 P136 L25 # 166  
Brown, Matthew Applied Micro (AMCC)

Comment Type **ER** Comment Status **D**

One if is enough.

*SuggestedRemedy*

Change "if and only if" to "if".

Proposed Response Response Status **W**

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 46 SC 46.3.2.4 P136 L21 # 167  
Brown, Matthew Applied Micro (AMCC)

Comment Type **ER** Comment Status **D**

Change IDLE to match value in table.

*SuggestedRemedy*

Change "IDLE" to "Idle".

Proposed Response Response Status **W**

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Line 27

Cl 46 SC 46.3.1.6 P137 L26 # 168  
Brown, Matthew Applied Micro (AMCC)

Comment Type **GR** Comment Status **D**

Need to specify when the clock must be turned back on.

*SuggestedRemedy*

Add sentence: "If RX\_CLK is halted during LPI mode, RX\_CLK must be restarted when LPI mode ends."

Proposed Response Response Status **W**

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Add sentence: "The PHY may restart RX\_CLK at any time while it is asserting LPI, but shall restart RX\_CLK so that at least one positive transition occurs before it deasserts LPI."

Cl 46 SC 46.3.1.6 P137 L25 # 169  
Brown, Matthew Applied Micro (AMCC)

Comment Type **ER** Comment Status **D**

One if is enough.

*SuggestedRemedy*

Change "if and only if" to "if".

Proposed Response Response Status **W**

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

## Proposed responses

## IEEE P802.3az D3.0 Energy Efficient Ethernet comments

Cl 46 SC 46.3a P138 L42 # 170  
Brown, Matthew Applied Micro (AMCC)

Comment Type **TR** Comment Status **D**

CRS is not a XGMII signal. Instead map LP\_IDLE.request, local fault, and remote fault to PLS\_CARRIER.indication.

*SuggestedRemedy*

Replace sentence with "PLS\_CARRIER.indication(CARRIER\_STATUS) will be set to CARRIER\_ON when the link is in LPI mode or if the link is in a fault state. See sub-clause 47.1.7.3."

Proposed Response Response Status **W**

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 46 SC 46.3a P138 L13 # 171  
Brown, Matthew Applied Micro (AMCC)

Comment Type **GR** Comment Status **D**

XGMII not MII

*SuggestedRemedy*

Change "MII" to "XGMII"

Proposed Response Response Status **W**

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 46 SC 46.3a.3.1 P140 L29 # 172  
Brown, Matthew Applied Micro (AMCC)

Comment Type **GR** Comment Status **D**

XGMII not MII

*SuggestedRemedy*

Change "MII" to "XGMII". Two instances.

Proposed Response Response Status **W**

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 47 SC 47.1 P142 L13 # 173  
Brown, Matthew Applied Micro (AMCC)

Comment Type **GR** Comment Status **D**

Clarification of the direction of receive/send would be helpful especially to separate sending from/to XGMII.

*SuggestedRemedy*

Change "When LPI is received" to "When LPI is received on the transmit XGMII ". Also, on line 19, change "asserted at the XGMII" to "asserted at the transmit XGMII".

Proposed Response Response Status **W**

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 48 SC 48.1.5 P145 L13 # 174  
Brown, Matthew Applied Micro (AMCC)

Comment Type **GR** Comment Status **D**

A statement is required to make it clear what is meant by EEE is supported. As I understand it, EEE is supported only if both local device and link partner advertise the EEE capability. This means that it is implemented on both devices and both devices have been programmed via ability bits to support EEE.

*SuggestedRemedy*

Add the following sentence... "EEE is supported only if during auto-negotiation both the local device and link partner advertise the EEE capability. If EEE is not supported all EEE functionality, if implemented, will be disabled. For instance, LPI control characters will not be sent and LPI control characters received will be treated as errors."

Proposed Response Response Status **W**

PROPOSED REJECT.

If EEE is not selected during autonegotiation then the LPI client does not assert LPI (at either end of the link). It is unnecessary to require the PHY to specifically disable EEE functionality nor is it desirable to require that the PHY should detect mis-configuration of the link partner.



## Proposed responses

## IEEE P802.3az D3.0 Energy Efficient Ethernet comments

CI 48 SC 48.2.4.2 P148 L19 # 175  
Brown, Matthew Applied Micro (AMCC)

Comment Type **TR** Comment Status **D**

||LPIDLE|| and |||| are mutually exclusive, ||LPIDLE|| is not a special case of ||||.

*SuggestedRemedy*

Change the first sentence as follows: ||LPIDLE|| is coded in the same manner as |||| except that the /20.5/ code group replaces one code group in each ||K|| and ||R|| (not ||A||) column with a random uniform distribution across the lanes.

Proposed Response Response Status **W**

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

CI 48 SC 48.2.6.1.5a P150 L46 # 176  
Brown, Matthew Applied Micro (AMCC)

Comment Type **GR** Comment Status **D**

The terminal count description wording makes it unclear of the intent and is written differently than for other timers.

*SuggestedRemedy*

Change "shall not exceed the maximum value of TWR" with "shall be set to a value no larger than the maximum value given for TWR".

Proposed Response Response Status **W**

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

CI 48 SC 48.2.6.1.5a P150 L52 # 177  
Brown, Matthew Applied Micro (AMCC)

Comment Type **GR** Comment Status **D**

A quiescent state is not defined.

*SuggestedRemedy*

Change "quiescent" to "QUIET".

Proposed Response Response Status **W**

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

CI 48 SC 48.2.6.2.5 P157 L5 # 178  
Brown, Matthew Applied Micro (AMCC)

Comment Type **TR** Comment Status **D**

Table 48-9. Tolerance on TSL and TUL are too tight (100 ns) and will preclude implementations that control EEE through firmware.

*SuggestedRemedy*

Change tolerance to +/- 1 us.

Proposed Response Response Status **W**

PROPOSED REJECT.

1% tolerance is reasonable for 10Gbps interface technology

CI 48 SC 48.2.6.2.5 P157 L18 # 179  
Brown, Matthew Applied Micro (AMCC)

Comment Type **TR** Comment Status **D**

Table 48-10. Tolerance on TWTF has same value for minimum and maximum. Minimum is not required.

*SuggestedRemedy*

Delete minimum value.

Proposed Response Response Status **W**

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

## Proposed responses

## IEEE P802.3az D3.0 Energy Efficient Ethernet comments

CI 49 SC 49.1.5 P161 L31 # 180  
Brown, Matthew Applied Micro (AMCC)

Comment Type GR Comment Status D

A statement is required to make it clear what is meant by EEE is supported. As I understand it, EEE is supported only if both local device and link partner advertise the EEE capability. This means that it is implemented on both devices and both devices have been programmed via ability bits to support EEE.

*SuggestedRemedy*

Add the following sentence... "EEE is supported only if during auto-negotiation both the local device and link partner advertise the EEE capability. If EEE is not supported all EEE functionality, if implemented, will be disabled. For instance, LPI control characters will not be sent and LPI control characters received will be treated as errors."

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED REJECT.

If EEE is not selected during autonegotiation then the LPI client does not assert LPI (at either end of the link). It is unnecessary to require the PHY to specifically disable EEE functionality nor is it desirable to require that the PHY should detect mis-configuration of the link partner.

CI 49 SC 49.2.4.4 P161 L40 # 181  
Brown, Matthew Applied Micro (AMCC)

Comment Type GR Comment Status D

EEE is an option not LPI. If a PHY supports EEE it must support LPI. Note: There is a general problem that it is unclear in this section what is always required if implemented (whether or not resolved by AN) vs what is required if supported (AN resolves EEE). Language needs to be precise.

*SuggestedRemedy*

Change sentence to "The ability to transmit or receive Low Power Idle is required for PHYs that support EEE."

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

CI 49 SC 49.2.4.4 P161 L41 # 182  
Brown, Matthew Applied Micro (AMCC)

Comment Type GR Comment Status D

Let's be clear as to what is or is not supported. In this case, the intent is to say that if EEE is not supported (whether because its not implemented or because it was not resolved during AN) that LPI shall not be transmitted. In other words, PHY without EEE support treat LPI control characters are errors.

*SuggestedRemedy*

Change "If this option is not supported..." to "If EEE is not supported..."

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

CI 49 SC 49.2.13.2.3 P163 L54 # 183  
Brown, Matthew Applied Micro (AMCC)

Comment Type GR Comment Status D

For PHYs that do not support EEE, LI characters are always treated as errors. Make this clear.

*SuggestedRemedy*

Add sentence, "A PCS that does not support EEE, will classify vectors containing one or more /LI/ control characters as type E."

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Add the following at the end of the paragraph:

"Note: A PCS that does not support EEE, may classify vectors containing one or more /LI/ control characters as type E."

CI 49 SC 49.2.9 P163 L16 # 184  
Brown, Matthew Applied Micro (AMCC)

Comment Type GR Comment Status D

Refer to "EEE support" rather than "LPI implementation".

*SuggestedRemedy*

Change "optional LPI function is implemented" to "EEE is supported".

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

## Proposed responses

## IEEE P802.3az D3.0 Energy Efficient Ethernet comments

CI 49 SC 49.2.13.2.3 P166 L3 # 185  
Brown, Matthew Applied Micro (AMCC)

Comment Type GR Comment Status D

For PHYs that do not support EEE, LI characters are always treated as errors. Make this clear.

## SuggestedRemedy

Add sentence, "A PCS that does not support EEE, will classify vectors containing one or more /LI/ control characters as type E."

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Add the following at the end of the paragraph:

"Note: A PCS that does not support EEE, may classify vectors containing one or more /LI/ control characters as type E."

CI 49 SC 49.2.13.2.5 P167 L23 # 186  
Brown, Matthew Applied Micro (AMCC)

Comment Type GR Comment Status D

The terminal count description wording makes intent unclear and is written differently than for other timers.

## SuggestedRemedy

Change "shall not exceed the maximum value of TWR" with "shall be set to a value no larger than the maximum value given for TWR".

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

CI 49 SC 49.2.13.2.5 P167 L29 # 187  
Brown, Matthew Applied Micro (AMCC)

Comment Type GR Comment Status D

A "quiescent" state is not defined.

## SuggestedRemedy

Change "quiescent" to "QUIET".

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

CI 49 SC 49.2.13.3.1 P171 L7 # 188  
Brown, Matthew Applied Micro (AMCC)

Comment Type GR Comment Status D

What does "synchronizes the receive state diagram with the end of LPI" mean?

## SuggestedRemedy

Clarify.

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Change "synchronizes the receive state diagram with the end of LPI"

to "signals the end of LPI to the receive state diagram"

CI 49 SC 49.2.13.3.1 P173 L45 # 189  
Brown, Matthew Applied Micro (AMCC)

Comment Type GR Comment Status D

In RX\_LINK\_FAIL, assignment of rx\_mode is redundant since it always gets set in the next state.

## SuggestedRemedy

In RX\_LINK\_FAIL, delete "rx\_mode = DATA".

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

CI 49 SC 49.2.13.3.1 P173 L45 # 190  
Brown, Matthew Applied Micro (AMCC)

Comment Type GR Comment Status D

In RX\_LINK\_FAIL, assignment to block\_lock is somewhat ambiguous since the se states are timeless and block\_lock takes on the value of rx\_block\_lock in the following state.

## SuggestedRemedy

A clarification of the intended behavior is requested.

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED REJECT.

Assigning block\_lock to FALSE in this state forces the Receive state diagram to go through the RX\_INIT state - effectively re-initializing the receiver following a wake fault.

## Proposed responses

## IEEE P802.3az D3.0 Energy Efficient Ethernet comments

Cl 49 SC 49.2.13.3.1 P174 L18 # 191  
Brown, Matthew Applied Micro (AMCC)

Comment Type **TR** Comment Status **D**

Table 49-2. 1% tolerance on TSL, TUL, and TWL precludes firmware implementation.

*SuggestedRemedy*

Change tolerance to +/- 1us.

Proposed Response Response Status **W**

PROPOSED REJECT.

1% tolerance is reasonable for 10Gbps interface technology.

Cl 51 SC 51.2.4.3 P178 L26 # 192  
Brown, Matthew Applied Micro (AMCC)

Comment Type **GR** Comment Status **D**

Only the receiver is affected.

*SuggestedRemedy*

Change the "PMA is" to "the PMA receive is".

Proposed Response Response Status **W**

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 51 SC 51.2.5 P178 L32 # 193  
Brown, Matthew Applied Micro (AMCC)

Comment Type **GR** Comment Status **D**

Generated by PCS transmit.

*SuggestedRemedy*

Change "PCS receive process" to "PCS transmit process".

Proposed Response Response Status **W**

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 51 SC 51.2.5 P178 L33 # 194  
Brown, Matthew Applied Micro (AMCC)

Comment Type **GR** Comment Status **D**

If talking about the PMD must also talk about ALERT signalling. Suggest leaving details to to subsequent sub-clauses.

*SuggestedRemedy*

Change "to indicate ... see 49.3.6.6" to "to invoke the appropriate PMA and PMD transmit EEE states".

Proposed Response Response Status **W**

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Change to:

"to invoke the appropriate PMA and PMD transmit EEE states, see 49.3.6.6"

Cl 51 SC 51.2.5.3 P178 L48 # 195  
Brown, Matthew Applied Micro (AMCC)

Comment Type **GR** Comment Status **D**

Only the transmitter is affected.

*SuggestedRemedy*

Change "the PMA is" to "the PMA transmit is".

Proposed Response Response Status **W**

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 51 SC 51.2.5.3 P178 L49 # 196  
Brown, Matthew Applied Micro (AMCC)

Comment Type **ER** Comment Status **D**

spelling

*SuggestedRemedy*

Change "nomally" to "normally".

Proposed Response Response Status **W**

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

## Proposed responses

## IEEE P802.3az D3.0 Energy Efficient Ethernet comments

Cl 51 SC 51.2.6.1 P179 L11 # 197  
 Brown, Matthew Applied Micro (AMCC)  
 Comment Type **GR** Comment Status **D**  
 Use full name name.  
 SuggestedRemedy  
 Change SIGNAL\_OK to PMD\_SIGNAL.indication(SIGNAL\_OK)  
 Proposed Response Response Status **W**  
 PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 51 SC 51.2.6.1 P179 L15 # 198  
 Brown, Matthew Applied Micro (AMCC)  
 Comment Type **GR** Comment Status **D**  
 energy\_detect reflects changes in SIGNAL\_OK  
 SuggestedRemedy  
 Change "of the energy detect parameter" to "of the SIGNAL\_OK parameter".  
 Proposed Response Response Status **W**  
 PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 51 SC 51.8a P179 L41 # 199  
 Brown, Matthew Applied Micro (AMCC)  
 Comment Type **GR** Comment Status **D**  
 Sub-clause 51.8a is redundant and obsolete.  
 SuggestedRemedy  
 Delete 51.8a.  
 Proposed Response Response Status **W**  
 PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 55 SC 55 P182 L1 # 200  
 Brown, Matthew Applied Micro (AMCC)  
 Comment Type **ER** Comment Status **D**  
 Consistent terminology throughout Clause 55 for LPI control characters. Use either "/LI/" or "LPI control characters".

SuggestedRemedy  
 As a minimum change the following (Page 184 / line 36) replace "LP\_IDLE characters" with "LPI control characters"; (191/8) replace title with "LPI (/LI/)"; (191/10) replace "Low power idle control" with "Low power idle (LPI) control"; (191/11) replace "LPI characters" with "LPI control characters"; (191/41) replace "LP\_IDLE characters" with "LPI control characters"; (192/12) replace "LP\_IDLE codewords" with "LPI control characters"; (192/19) replace "LP\_IDLE" with "LPI"; (193/15) replace "LP\_IDLE" with "LPI control". Consider generally replacing "LPI control characters" globally and above with "/LI/" or "/LPI characters".

Proposed Response Response Status **W**  
 PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

These phrases seem to occur throughout the document and are not used consistently in clause 48/49/55.

e.g. on page 148 in clause 48

"||A|| being detected and /D20.5/ (LPI) being detected in any lane of the previous column and the rest of the lanes in the previous column being detected /K/ only or /R/ only, which will result in reporting LP\_IDLE characters in all lanes."

which has not attracted a comment. I agree with the comment, but we should try to make it consistent throughout the document.

Taskforce to discuss whether LP\_IDLE characters or LPI characters is the preference.

Note:

"LP\_IDLE characters" is used on page clause 48 - pg148, clause 55 - 184, 191, 193

"LPI control characters" is used twice in draft 3.0; in the same paragraph on page 162 (clause 49)

"low power idle control characters" once on 191 (initial definition in clause 55)

'LPI characters' clause 48, page 145, clause 49, page 162 x2, 55page19x3

## Proposed responses

## IEEE P802.3az D3.0 Energy Efficient Ethernet comments

CI 55 SC 55 P182 L0 # 201  
Brown, Matthew Applied Micro (AMCC)

Comment Type GR Comment Status D

Use consistent terminology for EEE capability support through clause. Phrases currently include: "EEE capability", "LPI-capable", "EEE function", "LPI function", etc. My assumption is that all of these are the same, but I can't be sure.

## SuggestedRemedy

A comprehensive list of proposed amendments will be provided.

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Pending review of the list.

These inconsistencies are primarily in 55.3.5.2.4 where R\_BLOCK\_TYPE and T\_BLOCK\_TYPE are defined.

Ensure that EEE capability is used consistently.

Note that the other phrases are also used in other clauses in the draft.

CI 55 SC 55.1 P182 L11 # 202  
Brown, Matthew Applied Micro (AMCC)

Comment Type TR Comment Status D

Last sentence of paragraph implies that fast retrain is available only if EEE capability is supported, whereas subsequent sub-clauses implies that support for fast retrain is independent. I believe that the intent that EEE and fast retrain support are independent. In other words, either or both may be implemented and if both are implemented then neither, either, or both may be resolved through AN.

## SuggestedRemedy

Clarify which is the case: (a) fast retrain may be supported only if EEE is supported or (b) fast retrain may be supported independent of EEE.

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Fast retrain may be supported independent of EEE.

See #353.

There is no reason to prevent fast retrain if EEE is not supported.

CI 49 SC 49.1.5 P182 L47 # 203  
Brown, Matthew Applied Micro (AMCC)

Comment Type GR Comment Status D

A statement is required to make it clear what is meant by EEE is supported. As I understand it, EEE is supported only if both local device and link partner advertise the EEE capability. This means that it is implemented on both devices and both devices have been programmed via ability bits to support EEE.

## SuggestedRemedy

Add the following sentence... "EEE is supported only if during auto-negotiation both the local device and link partner advertise the EEE capability. If EEE is not supported all EEE functionality, if implemented, will be disabled. For instance, LPI control characters will not be sent and LPI control characters received will be treated as errors."

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED REJECT.

If EEE is not selected during autonegotiation then the LPI client does not assert LPI (at either end of the link). It is unnecessary to require the PHY to specifically disable EEE functionality nor is it desirable to require that the PHY should detect mis-configuration of the link partner.

CI 55 SC 55.1.3 P183 L24 # 204  
Brown, Matthew Applied Micro (AMCC)

Comment Type GR Comment Status D

Line for loc\_lpi\_en should be dashed to indicate that it is intend for EEE only.

## SuggestedRemedy

Change loc\_lpi\_en line to dashed.

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

The commentor is correct, but due to other issues the loc\_lpi\_en variable will likely be deleted. A different mechanism will be used to inhibit transitions to low power idle during PCS\_Test. See #360.

## Proposed responses

## IEEE P802.3az D3.0 Energy Efficient Ethernet comments

**Cl 55**    **SC 55.1.3.3**                      **P184**        **L54**                      # **205**  
 Brown, Matthew                              Applied Micro (AMCC)

**Comment Type**    **GR**            **Comment Status**    **D**  
 Incorrect figure #.

**SuggestedRemedy**  
 Change Figure 55-16 to Figure 55-16b.

**Proposed Response**            **Response Status**    **W**  
 PROPOSED ACCEPT.

This seems to be a framemaker issue. The editors will resolve it.

**Cl 55**    **SC 55.1.4**                              **P185**        **L33**                      # **206**  
 Brown, Matthew                              Applied Micro (AMCC)

**Comment Type**    **G**                      **Comment Status**    **D**  
 Some primitive names use underscore to separate joined words while others are not. For readability modify all new (EEE) primitives names to include underscores.

**SuggestedRemedy**  
 Change PMA\_ALERTDETECT to PMA\_ALERT\_DETECT. Change "PMA\_LOCLPIEN" to "PMA\_LOC\_LPI\_EN". Make changes through Clause 55.

**Proposed Response**            **Response Status**    **W**  
 PROPOSED REJECT.

This seems unnecessary.

As noted in the comment, the names from the original version of clause 55 are not consistent.

**Cl 45**    **SC 45**    **P189**        **L45**                      # **207**  
 Brown, Matthew                              Applied Micro (AMCC)

**Comment Type**    **GR**                      **Comment Status**    **D**  
 EEE terminology.

**SuggestedRemedy**  
 Change "LPI-capable PHYs" to "EEE-capable PHYs".

**Proposed Response**            **Response Status**    **W**  
 PROPOSED ACCEPT.

**Cl 55**    **SC 55.3.2.2.21**                      **P191**        **L36**                      # **208**  
 Brown, Matthew                              Applied Micro (AMCC)

**Comment Type**    **GR**                      **Comment Status**    **D**  
 proper term

**SuggestedRemedy**  
 Change "65B" to "64B/65B".

**Proposed Response**            **Response Status**    **W**  
 PROPOSED ACCEPT.

**Cl 55**    **SC 55.3.2.2.21**                      **P191**        **L49**                      # **209**  
 Brown, Matthew                              Applied Micro (AMCC)

**Comment Type**    **ER**                      **Comment Status**    **D**  
 spelling

**SuggestedRemedy**  
 Change "lpi\_tx\_mode" variables" to "lpi\_tx\_mode variable".

**Proposed Response**            **Response Status**    **W**  
 PROPOSED ACCEPT.

**Cl 55**    **SC 55.3.2.2.9**                              **P191**        **L1**                        # **210**  
 Brown, Matthew                              Applied Micro (AMCC)

**Comment Type**    **ER**                      **Comment Status**    **D**  
 consistent (with clause 48) terminology

**SuggestedRemedy**  
 Replace "idle and lp\_idle ordered sets" with either "||| and ||LPIDLE||" or "idle and LPI ordered sets."

**Proposed Response**            **Response Status**    **W**  
 PROPOSED REJECT.

This is base text that has not been edited for .az.

## Proposed responses

## IEEE P802.3az D3.0 Energy Efficient Ethernet comments

Cl 55 SC 55.3.2.2.9a P191 L10 # 211  
 Brown, Matthew Applied Micro (AMCC)  
 Comment Type **GR** Comment Status **D**  
 LPI is requested by the LPI client not the MAC.  
 SuggestedRemedy  
 Replace "MAC" with "LPI client"  
 Proposed Response Response Status **W**  
 PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 55 SC 55.3.2.2.21 P192 L9 # 212  
 Brown, Matthew Applied Micro (AMCC)  
 Comment Type **ER** Comment Status **D**  
 spelling  
 SuggestedRemedy  
 Change "lpi\_tx\_mode" variables" to "lpi\_tx\_mode variable".  
 Proposed Response Response Status **W**  
 PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 55 SC 55.3.2.2.21 P192 L13 # 213  
 Brown, Matthew Applied Micro (AMCC)  
 Comment Type **GR** Comment Status **D**  
 Which characters is referred to by "These characters".  
 SuggestedRemedy  
 Change "LP\_IDLE codewords are no longer detected" to "codewords other than LP\_IDLE are detect". Change "These characters" to "These codewords".  
 Proposed Response Response Status **W**  
 PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.  
 Change "LP\_IDLE codewords are no longer detected" to "codewords other than LP\_IDLE are detected". Change "These characters" to "These codewords" but also see the response to #200

Cl 55 SC 55.3.2.2.21 P192 L24 # 214  
 Brown, Matthew Applied Micro (AMCC)  
 Comment Type **GR** Comment Status **D**  
 This paragraph is really clumsy. Please modify last to sentences to state the point more clearly.

SuggestedRemedy  
 Suggestion: "The maximum PHY wake time when wake is requested before sleep has been transmitted is 7.36 us (lpi\_wake\_timer=Tw\_phy as defined by Clause 78). The maximum PHY wake time when wake is requested after sleep has been transmitted is 4.48 us."  
 Proposed Response Response Status **W**  
 PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 55 SC 55.3.2.2.21 P192 L32 # 215  
 Brown, Matthew Applied Micro (AMCC)  
 Comment Type **GR** Comment Status **D**  
 Refer to reference in Clause 78. It seems redundant to have the wake times specified in three locations. Consider consolidating.

SuggestedRemedy  
 To title of columns 3 and 4 add "10GBASE-T Case-1 in Table 78.4". To title in columns 4 and 5 add "10GBASE-T Case-2 in Table 78-4".  
 Proposed Response Response Status **W**  
 PROPOSED REJECT.

This is unnecessary.

Cl 55 SC 55.3.4a.1 P194 L21 # 216  
 Brown, Matthew Applied Micro (AMCC)  
 Comment Type **GR** Comment Status **D**  
 "Low power mode" specifically refers to "low power idle mode" or "LPI mode". Note that a "low power" mode is defined for all 802.3 PHYs and is invoked by setting MDIO bit 1.0.11 to 1.

SuggestedRemedy  
 Replace "low power mode" with "LPI mode".  
 Proposed Response Response Status **W**  
 PROPOSED ACCEPT.



## Proposed responses

## IEEE P802.3az D3.0 Energy Efficient Ethernet comments

Cl 55 SC 55.3.4a.1 P194 L14 # 217  
Brown, Matthew Applied Micro (AMCC)

Comment Type GR Comment Status D

By definition, in order for a PHY to support EEE the other must as well. No need for new terminology here.

## SuggestedRemedy

Change "When both PHYs support the EEE capability, the slave" to "A EEE-capable PHY in slave mode" or "A SLAVE PHY with EEE capability".

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

"A EEE-capable PHY in slave mode is responsible for synchronizing its PMA training frame to the master's PMA training frame during the transition to PMA\_Training\_Init\_S"

Cl 55 SC 55.3.4a.1 P194 L37 # 218  
Brown, Matthew Applied Micro (AMCC)

Comment Type GR Comment Status D

Table 55-1b and 55-1c. When are tx\_refresh\_active and rx\_refresh\_active set FALSE?

## SuggestedRemedy

Add sentence on page 194 line 30 stating "rx\_refresh\_active and tx\_refresh\_active are set FALSE except where set true in the tables."

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED REJECT.

This is clear from the description.

Cl 55 SC 55.3.4a.3 P195 L46 # 219  
Brown, Matthew Applied Micro (AMCC)

Comment Type GR Comment Status D

Need to specify ALERT precedence for SLAVE PHY as well.

## SuggestedRemedy

Change "If lpi\_tx\_mode=REFRESH\_A" to "If lpi\_tx\_mode=REFRESH\_A on a MASTER PHY or lpi\_tx\_mode=REFRESH\_C on a SLAVE PHY",

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 55 SC 55.3.4a.3 P196 L49 # 220  
Brown, Matthew Applied Micro (AMCC)

Comment Type TR Comment Status D

!tx\_lpi\_active should be !tx\_lpi\_qr\_active.

## SuggestedRemedy

Change !tx\_lpi\_active to !tx\_lpi\_qr\_active.

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED REJECT.

Rationale for change not clear

Cl 55 SC 55.3.4a.3 P197 L10 # 221  
Brown, Matthew Applied Micro (AMCC)

Comment Type TR Comment Status D

Indicate that tx\_refresh\_active is to FALSE outside of period indicated in tables.

## SuggestedRemedy

Append the sentence with "and is set FALSE otherwise"

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED REJECT.

This is unnecessary.

Cl 55 SC 55.3.5.2.4 P197 L50 # 222  
Brown, Matthew Applied Micro (AMCC)

Comment Type GR Comment Status D

EEE terminology.

## SuggestedRemedy

Change the "EEE function" to "EEE capability". Two instances.

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

See #201

## Proposed responses

## IEEE P802.3az D3.0 Energy Efficient Ethernet comments

CI 55 SC 55.3.5.2.4 P198 L16 # 223  
Brown, Matthew Applied Micro (AMCC)

Comment Type **GR** Comment Status **D**  
EEE terminology.

SuggestedRemedy  
For I, LI, and LII, change "the optional LPI function is supported" and "the optional EEE function is supported" to "the EEE capability is supported".

Proposed Response Response Status **W**  
PROPOSED ACCEPT.  
See #201

CI 55 SC 55.3.5.2.4 P198 L35 # 224  
Brown, Matthew Applied Micro (AMCC)

Comment Type **GR** Comment Status **D**  
EEE terminology.

SuggestedRemedy  
Change the "EEE function" to "EEE capability". Two instances.

Proposed Response Response Status **W**  
PROPOSED ACCEPT.  
See #201

CI 55 SC 55.3.5.2.4 P198 L52 # 225  
Brown, Matthew Applied Micro (AMCC)

Comment Type **GR** Comment Status **X**  
EEE terminology.

SuggestedRemedy  
For I, LI, and LII, change "the optional LPI function is supported" and "the optional EEE function is supported" to "the EEE capability is supported".

Proposed Response Response Status **W**  
PROPOSED ACCEPT.  
See #201

CI 55 SC 55.3.5.2.5 P199 L22 # 226  
Brown, Matthew Applied Micro (AMCC)

Comment Type **TR** Comment Status **D**  
The tx\_ldpc\_frame\_cnt counter must be reset after every training event, normal or fast retrain, not just the first one.

SuggestedRemedy  
Change "initial training" to "normal training or fast retraining".

Proposed Response Response Status **W**  
PROPOSED ACCEPT.

CI 55 SC 55.3.5.2.5 P199 L28 # 227  
Brown, Matthew Applied Micro (AMCC)

Comment Type **GR** Comment Status **D**  
The rx\_ldpc\_frame\_cnt counter must be reset after every training event, normal or fast retrain, not just the first one.

SuggestedRemedy  
Change "initial training" to "normal training or fast retraining".

Proposed Response Response Status **W**  
PROPOSED ACCEPT.

CI 55 SC 55.3.5.4 P199 L46 # 228  
Brown, Matthew Applied Micro (AMCC)

Comment Type **G** Comment Status **D**  
It would be more definitive to use variables to delineate the period during which LFER may not be updated.

SuggestedRemedy  
Change end of sentence to "during LPI receive operation while (!rx\_lpi\_active \* !rx\_lpi\_wake)."

Proposed Response Response Status **W**  
PROPOSED REJECT.

This does not improve the draft.

## Proposed responses

## IEEE P802.3az D3.0 Energy Efficient Ethernet comments

CI 55 SC 55.3.6.1 P199 L54 # 229  
Brown, Matthew Applied Micro (AMCC)

Comment Type GR Comment Status D

Status definitions for MDIO 3.1.8 and 3.1.9 not defined.

## SuggestedRemedy

Add section 55.3.6.1 along with instructions to include the following text. Use the text from Clause 49.2.14.1.

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Add the following text as new text within subclause 55.3.6.1

Rx LPI indication:

For EEE capability, this variable indicates the current state of the receive LPI function. This flag is set to TRUE (register bit set to one) when the LPI receive state diagram is in any state other than RX\_ACTIVE. This status is reflected in MDIO register 3.1.8. A latch high view of this status is reflected in MDIO register 3.1.10 (Rx LPI received).

Tx LPI indication:

For EEE capability, this variable indicates the current state of the transmit LPI function. This flag is set to TRUE (register bit set to one) when the LPI transmit state diagram is in any state other than TX\_ACTIVE. This status is reflected in MDIO register 3.1.9. A latch high view of this status is reflected in MDIO register 3.1.11 (Tx LPI received).

CI 55 SC 55.4.5.4 P201 L14 # 230  
Brown, Matthew Applied Micro (AMCC)

Comment Type TR Comment Status D

Figure 55-15.

## SuggestedRemedy

Three arrow ends need to be fixed.

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

See #144

CI 55 SC 55.4.5.4 P205 L18 # 231  
Brown, Matthew Applied Micro (AMCC)

Comment Type GR Comment Status D

Figure 55-16b. Initialization of tx\_lpi\_initial\_quiet is not required in SEND\_SLEEP since this variable is only effective when tx\_lpi\_qr\_active is TRUE.

## SuggestedRemedy

Delete "tx\_lpi\_initial\_quiet=TRUE" in SEND\_SLEEP state.

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

CI 55 SC 55.4.5.4 P205 L47 # 232  
Brown, Matthew Applied Micro (AMCC)

Comment Type ER Comment Status D

missing underscore

## SuggestedRemedy

change "lpi\_wake\_timer done" to "lpi\_wake\_timer\_done".

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

CI 55 SC 55.4.1 P206 L23 # 233  
Brown, Matthew Applied Micro (AMCC)

Comment Type ER Comment Status D

Figure 55-17. missing connection of scr\_status/pcs\_status signal to LINK MONITOR block. This is an error in the base specification that 802.3az already corrected in Figure 55.3.

## SuggestedRemedy

Add line from scr\_status/pcs\_status line to LINK MONITOR block.

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

## Proposed responses

## IEEE P802.3az D3.0 Energy Efficient Ethernet comments

Cl 55 SC 55.4.2.2.1 P207 L35 # 234  
Brown, Matthew Applied Micro (AMCC)

Comment Type ER Comment Status D  
xPR\_Master and xPR\_Master used with mixed case and lower case (55.4.2.4) only in Clause 55. No need for fancy-dancy mixed case. :)

SuggestedRemedy  
Change all to lower case.

Proposed Response Response Status W  
PROPOSED REJECT.

There doesn't seem to be any need to change this. There is no inconsistency.

Cl 55 SC 55.4.2.5.14 P209 L32 # 235  
Brown, Matthew Applied Micro (AMCC)

Comment Type GR Comment Status D  
spelling

SuggestedRemedy  
change "start" to "starts"

Proposed Response Response Status W  
PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 55 SC 55.4.25.14 P209 L37 # 236  
Brown, Matthew Applied Micro (AMCC)

Comment Type GR Comment Status D  
The receive is under control of link partner and transmit is under control of local LPI client.

SuggestedRemedy  
Change sentence to "After reaching the PCS\_Data state, PHYs with the EEE capability can transition the receiver to LPI mode under control of the link partner and can transition the transmitter to LPI mode under control of the local LPI client."

Proposed Response Response Status W  
PROPOSED REJECT.

The extra text is not necessary. The mechanism is clearly described elsewhere.

Cl 55 SC 55.4.2.6a P210 L20 # 237  
Brown, Matthew Applied Micro (AMCC)

Comment Type ER Comment Status D  
Editorial instruction for 55.4.2.6a is in wrong place.

SuggestedRemedy  
Move editorial instruction to above sub-clause 55.4.2.6a title.

Proposed Response Response Status W  
PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 55 SC 55.4.5.1 P211 L22 # 238  
Brown, Matthew Applied Micro (AMCC)

Comment Type GR Comment Status D  
Since fast retrain is initiated both locally and remotely, keep local and remote entities clear.

SuggestedRemedy  
Change "the receiver" to "the local receiver".

Proposed Response Response Status W  
PROPOSED REJECT.

The distinction is not necessary. The variable is contained within the local receiver.

Cl 55 SC 55.4.5.1 P211 L26 # 239  
Brown, Matthew Applied Micro (AMCC)

Comment Type GR Comment Status D  
Since fast retrain is initiated both locally and remotely, keep local and remote entities clear.

SuggestedRemedy  
Change "the receiver" to "the local receiver".

Proposed Response Response Status W  
PROPOSED REJECT.

The distinction is not necessary. The variable is contained within the local receiver.

## Proposed responses

## IEEE P802.3az D3.0 Energy Efficient Ethernet comments

Cl 55 SC 55.4.5.1 P211 L38 # 240  
Brown, Matthew Applied Micro (AMCC)

Comment Type GR Comment Status D

Clarify that flag is set after not during sending/receiving of signal. Also, signal is elsewhere referred to as link failure signal not fast\_retrain signal.

## SuggestedRemedy

Change definition of fast\_retrain\_flag to "Set TRUE after the PHY generates or detects a link failure signal and set FALSE otherwise."

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED REJECT.

The variable is set according to the state diagram 55-27b. Extra text is not needed.

Cl 55 SC 55.4.5.4 P212 L16 # 241  
Brown, Matthew Applied Micro (AMCC)

Comment Type GR Comment Status D

Indicate that counter is reflected in register...

## SuggestedRemedy

Add "This counter is reflected in MDIO register 1.147.10:6 specified in sub-clause 45.2.76a.2."

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 55 SC 55.4.5.4 P212 L21 # 242  
Brown, Matthew Applied Micro (AMCC)

Comment Type GR Comment Status D

Indicate that counter is reflected in register...

## SuggestedRemedy

Add "This counter is reflected in MDIO register 1.147.15:11 specified in sub-clause 45.2.76a.3."

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 55 SC 55.4.6.1 P213 L37 # 243  
Brown, Matthew Applied Micro (AMCC)

Comment Type TR Comment Status D

During a fast retrain, a new PBO is not exchange so PBO\_next is not explicitly defined. Statement is required to indicate the intended value for PBO\_next for fast retrain.

## SuggestedRemedy

In sub-clause 55.4.5.1 modify the definition for PBO\_next by adding the following statement. "When fast retrain is invoked PBO\_next will have the same value as resolved during normal training."

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED REJECT.

The variable was not reassigned and therefore the value persists.  
Therefore a change is not necessary.

Cl 55 SC 55.4.6.1 P213 L36 # 244  
Brown, Matthew Applied Micro (AMCC)

Comment Type GR Comment Status D

State of THP coefficients is for a fast re-train. Coincidentally, they are not specified for normal retrain in the 802.3-2008, either. The generally accepted THP coefficient state for normal re-train is zeros. For fast retrain specify that initialization to zeros is required for robust adaptation. A separate comment is submitted to request THP initial state for normal training.

## SuggestedRemedy

Specify that THP coefficients, THP\_tx are set to zero at the beginning of fast. In PMA\_INIT\_FR states add "THP\_tx = zeros". Add the following in 55.4.2.5.14. During fast retrain, prior to entering the PMA\_Coeff\_Exch state, the THP coefficients will be set to zero." or similar text.

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

For discussion

## Proposed responses

## IEEE P802.3az D3.0 Energy Efficient Ethernet comments

CI 55 SC 55.4.6.1 P213 L36 # 245  
Brown, Matthew Applied Micro (AMCC)

Comment Type GR Comment Status D

State of THP coefficients is not specified for normal retrain in the 802.3-2008. The generally accepted THP coefficient state for normal re-train is zeros. For normal training initialization to zeros is required for consistent adaptation.

*SuggestedRemedy*

Specify that THP coefficients, THP\_tx are set to zero at the beginning of normal training. In SILENT states add "THP\_tx = zeros". Add the following in 55.4.2.5.14. During normal training, prior to enabling the transmitter, the THP coefficients will be set to zero." or similar text.

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED REJECT.

CI 55 SC 55.4.6.2 P215 L15 # 246  
Brown, Matthew Applied Micro (AMCC)

Comment Type TR Comment Status D

Figure 55-25. Value for transition count initialization should be better defined. For normal retrain a value of 2<sup>9</sup> should always be used and for fast retrain a value of 2<sup>5</sup> should always be used. The note at the bottom says that if fast retrain is enable the value should be 2<sup>5</sup>, however a normal train can occur with fast retrain enabled. The intent is that the counter should be set to 2<sup>5</sup> if fast retrain is occurring.

*SuggestedRemedy*

Change "transition\_count <= 2<sup>9</sup>" to "transition\_count<=mtc" in three states. In section 55.4.5.1 specify a new variable mtc defined as: "mtc is the transition count for a MASTER PHY during normal training and fast retraining. mtc shall be equal to 2<sup>9</sup> for normal training and 2<sup>5</sup> for fast retrain."

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

CI 55 SC 55.4.6.2 P215 L15 # 247  
Brown, Matthew Applied Micro (AMCC)

Comment Type TR Comment Status D

Figure 55-26. Target value for transition count should be better defined. For normal retrain a value of 2<sup>6</sup> should always be used and for fast retrain a value of 2<sup>4</sup> should always be used. The note at the bottom says that if fast retrain is enable the value should be 2<sup>4</sup>, however a normal train can occur with fast retrain enabled. The intent is that the counter should be set to 2<sup>4</sup> if fast retrain is occurring.

*SuggestedRemedy*

Change "master\_transition\_count > 2<sup>6</sup>" to "master\_transition\_count > stc" in two state transitions. In section 55.4.5.1 specify a new variable stc defined as: "stc is the target transition count for a SLAVE PHY during normal training and fast retraining. stc shall be equal to 2<sup>6</sup> for normal training and 2<sup>4</sup> for fast retrain."

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

CI 55 SC 55.4.6.5 P218 L22 # 248  
Brown, Matthew Applied Micro (AMCC)

Comment Type GR Comment Status D

Figure 55-27b and Figure 55-24, For consistency all timers should be in figure 55-24. Starting of the fr\_maxwait\_timer should be placed in the PHY control state machine Figure 55-24.

*SuggestedRemedy*

In figure 55-27b delete "start fr\_maxwait\_timer" in FR\_START\_TIMER state. Rename FR\_START\_TIMER state to FR\_START. In figure 55-24, add "start fr\_maxwait\_timer" to PMA\_INIT\_FR state.

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED REJECT.

This change is not necessary and does not improve the draft.

## Proposed responses

## IEEE P802.3az D3.0 Energy Efficient Ethernet comments

*Cl* 55    *SC* 55.6.1    *P*219    *L*9    # 249  
Brown, Matthew    Applied Micro (AMCC)

*Comment Type*    **GR**    *Comment Status*    **D**  
Definition of next page attributes is WRT local PHY.

*SuggestedRemedy*

Change "link partner is advertising" to "Advertising". change "link partner is not advertising" to "Not advertising."

*Proposed Response*    *Response Status*    **W**  
PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Change "link partner is advertising.." to "Advertise.." for bits U24-U22.

Also fix the typo on line 14, which mentions 10000BASE-T.  
Change '10000BASE-T' to '1000BASE-T'.  
Change the references to  
'45.2.7.13.4', '45.2.7.13.5' and '45.2.7.13.6'.

*Cl* 55    *SC* 55.6.1    *P*219    *L*28    # 250  
Brown, Matthew    Applied Micro (AMCC)

*Comment Type*    **GR**    *Comment Status*    **D**  
Consistent terminology.

*SuggestedRemedy*

change "advertise phy as supporting fast retrain" to "Advertise fast retrain capability."  
change "advertise phy as not supporting fast retrain" to "Not advertise fast retrain."

*Proposed Response*    *Response Status*    **W**  
PROPOSED REJECT.

This change does not seem to improve the text.

*Cl* 69    *SC* 69.2.3    *P*223    *L*31    # 251  
Brown, Matthew    Applied Micro (AMCC)

*Comment Type*    **GR**    *Comment Status*    **D**  
Table 69-1. Clause 78 not listed.

*SuggestedRemedy*

Add clause 78 to Table 69-1.

*Proposed Response*    *Response Status*    **W**  
PROPOSED ACCEPT.

*Cl* 70    *SC* 70.2    *P*225    *L*40    # 252  
Brown, Matthew    Applied Micro (AMCC)

*Comment Type*    **ER**    *Comment Status*    **D**  
"PMD receive" used elsewhere

*SuggestedRemedy*

change PMD's to PMD.

*Proposed Response*    *Response Status*    **W**  
PROPOSED ACCEPT.

*Cl* 70    *SC* 70.6.4    *P*226    *L*3    # 253  
Brown, Matthew    Applied Micro (AMCC)

*Comment Type*    **GR**    *Comment Status*    **D**  
Consistent EEE support terms.

*SuggestedRemedy*

Replace "EEE is not implemented" with "EEE is not supported".

*Proposed Response*    *Response Status*    **W**  
PROPOSED ACCEPT.

## Proposed responses

## IEEE P802.3az D3.0 Energy Efficient Ethernet comments

CI 70 SC 70.6.4 P226 L12 # 254  
Brown, Matthew Applied Micro (AMCC)

Comment Type GR Comment Status D

Reference to signal detect assert/de-assert times is missing.

*SuggestedRemedy*

Add sentence: "The signal detection process shall meet the assert and de-assert times specified in Table 70-6."

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Delete the LPI timing from the Table 70-6. Append the following text to the end of 70.6.4:

"If EEE is supported, the signal energy from a compliant transmitter shall set SIGNAL\_DETECT to OK within 750ns when transitioning from LPI quiet to active and set SIGNAL\_DETECT to FAIL within 750ns when transitioning from active to LPI quiet.

Also, Add the following PIC to 70.10.4.1

Item: FS5c  
Feature: Signal Detect for EEE  
Subclause: 70.6.4  
Value: Transition timing to set SIGNAL\_DETECT.  
Status: LPI:M  
Supported: Yes [ ], N/A [ ]

CI 70 SC 70.6.10.1 P227 L1 # 255  
Brown, Matthew Applied Micro (AMCC)

Comment Type GR Comment Status D

Consistent EEE support terms.

*SuggestedRemedy*

"LPI mode is not implemented" with "EEE is not supported"

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

CI 70 SC 70.6.10.2 P227 L24 # 256  
Brown, Matthew Applied Micro (AMCC)

Comment Type GR Comment Status D

Consistent EEE support terms.

*SuggestedRemedy*

"LPI mode is not implemented" with "EEE is not supported"

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

CI 70 SC 70.6.10.2.2 P227 L35 # 257  
Brown, Matthew Applied Micro (AMCC)

Comment Type GR Comment Status D

clarify sentence

*SuggestedRemedy*

replace "quiet state of low power transmit state" with "LPI QUIET state".

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

CI 70 SC 70.6.10.2.3 P227 L40 # 258  
Brown, Matthew Applied Micro (AMCC)

Comment Type ER Comment Status D

spelling

*SuggestedRemedy*

replace "block" with "blocks".

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT.



## Proposed responses

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**Cl 70**    **SC 70.10.4.1**    **P229**    **L35**    # **259**  
 Brown, Matthew    Applied Micro (AMCC)

**Comment Type GR**    **Comment Status D**

PICS for receive signal detect assert and de-assert times from 70.7.2 and 70.6.4 is missing.

**SuggestedRemedy**  
 Add PICS for signal detect assert and de-assert times.

**Proposed Response**    **Response Status W**  
 PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

See resolution to comment # 254

**Cl 70**    **SC 70.10.4.1**    **P229**    **L35**    # **260**  
 Brown, Matthew    Applied Micro (AMCC)

**Comment Type GR**    **Comment Status D**

PICS for transmit enable/disable times/amplitudes from 70.7.1.5 is missing.

**SuggestedRemedy**  
 Add PICS for transmit enable/disable times.

**Proposed Response**    **Response Status W**  
 PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Add the following 2 rows to the PICS table in 70.10.4.4

Item: TC8a  
 Feature: Output Amplitude LPI voltage  
 Subclause: 70.7.1.5  
 Value/Comment: Less than 30mv within 500ns of tx\_quiet  
 Status: LPI:M  
 Support: Yes[ ], N/A [ ]

Item: TC8b  
 Feature: Output Amplitude ON voltage  
 Subclause: 70.7.1.5  
 Value/Comment: Greater than 800mV within 500ns of tx\_quiet de-asserted  
 Status: LPI:M  
 Support: Yes[ ], N/A [ ]

**Cl 70**    **SC 70.6.10**    **P231**    **L45**    # **261**  
 Brown, Matthew    Applied Micro (AMCC)

**Comment Type ER**    **Comment Status D**

service primitives are listed in the wrong section. move to 70.2.

**SuggestedRemedy**  
 On page 225 line 48, delete sentence starting with "These messages...". Move primitives (page 226 line 45 to page 227 line 41) to the end of section 70.2.

**Proposed Response**    **Response Status W**  
 PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

These primitives only have relevance within LPI Function rather than the whole PMD. These primitives are listed in 70.2 but a reference would be helpful to point reader to the PMC definitions in 70.6.10 in addition to the PCS reference.

I propose changing the last sentence in 70.2 to:

These primitives are described in 36.2.5.1.6 for the PCS and in 70.6.10 for this PMD.

**Cl 71**    **SC 71.6.12**    **P231**    **L37**    # **262**  
 Brown, Matthew    Applied Micro (AMCC)

**Comment Type ER**    **Comment Status D**

service primitives are listed in the wrong section. move to 71.2.

**SuggestedRemedy**  
 Move primitives (page 231 line 37 to page 232 line 31) to the end of section 71.2.

**Proposed Response**    **Response Status W**  
 PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Although this subclause is consistent with 70.6.10 and 72.6.11, this clause is missing the Primitive definitions in 71.2. Will add the following text under 71.2:

"If EEE is supported, the PMD's transmit function enters into LPI mode when it receives the tx\_quiet parameter set to TRUE via the PMD\_TXQUIET.request and exits when set to FALSE. While tx\_quiet is set to TRUE the PMD transmitter logic should deactivate functional blocks to conserve energy. The PMD's receive function enters into LPI mode when it receives the rx\_quiet parameter set to TRUE via the PMD\_RXQUIET.request and exits when set to FALSE. While rx\_quiet is set to FALSE the PMD receiver logic should deactivate functional blocks to conserve energy. The PMD shall provide the following service interface primitives if EEE is implemented:

- PMD\_RXQUIET.request(rx\_quiet)
- PMD\_TXQUIET.request(tx\_quiet)

These primitives are described in 48.2.6.1.6 for the PCS and in 71.6.12 for this PMD.

## Proposed responses

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**Cl 71**    **SC 71.10.4.2**    **P234**    **L35**    # **263**  
Brown, Matthew    Applied Micro (AMCC)

**Comment Type**    **GR**    **Comment Status**    **D**

PICS for receive signal detect assert and de-assert times from 71.7.1.4 is missing.

**SuggestedRemedy**

Add PICS for signal detect assert and de-assert times.

**Proposed Response**    **Response Status**    **W**

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Delete the timing from the table and append the following text to the end of 71.6.4:

"If EEE is supported, the signal energy from a compliant transmitter shall set SIGNAL\_DETECT to OK within 750ns when transitioning from LPI quiet to active and set SIGNAL\_DETECT to FAIL within 750ns when transitioning from active to LPI quiet.

Also, Add the following PIC to 71.10.4.2

Item: FS9b  
Feature: Signal Detect for EEE  
Subclause: 71.6.4  
Value: Transition timing to set SIGNAL\_DETECT.  
Status: LPI:M  
Supported: Yes[ ], N/A [ ]

**Cl 71**    **SC 71.10.4.2**    **P234**    **L35**    # **264**  
Brown, Matthew    Applied Micro (AMCC)

**Comment Type**    **GR**    **Comment Status**    **D**

PICS for transmit enable/disable times/amplitudes from 71.7.2 is missing.

**SuggestedRemedy**

Add PICS for transmit enabled/disabled times.

**Proposed Response**    **Response Status**    **W**

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Delete the two LPI\_quiet related rows from table 71-6.

Add the following text at the end of 71.6.4

**Cl 72**    **SC 72**    **P235**    **L1**    # **265**  
Brown, Matthew    Applied Micro (AMCC)

**Comment Type**    **GR**    **Comment Status**    **D**

Throughout Clause 72 "low power mode" is used to refer to what is more technically "low power idle mode" or "LPI mode". Note that a "low power" mode is defined for all 802.3 PHYs and is invoked by setting MDIO bit 1.0.11 to 1.

**SuggestedRemedy**

Change all references to "low power mode" to "LPI mode".

**Proposed Response**    **Response Status**    **W**

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Editor will make changes across all backplane PHYs to be more consistent with LPI mode.

Also see response to comment # 129.

**Cl 72**    **SC 72.2**    **P235**    **L47**    # **266**  
Brown, Matthew    Applied Micro (AMCC)

**Comment Type**    **ER**    **Comment Status**    **D**

spelling

**SuggestedRemedy**

change "conserver" to "conserve"

**Proposed Response**    **Response Status**    **W**

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

**Cl 72**    **SC 72.2**    **P235**    **L48**    # **267**  
Brown, Matthew    Applied Micro (AMCC)

**Comment Type**    **GR**    **Comment Status**    **D**

EEE terminology.

**SuggestedRemedy**

change "EEE is implemented" to "EEE is supported".

**Proposed Response**    **Response Status**    **W**

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

## Proposed responses

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**Cl 72**    **SC 72.2**                      **P 235**    **L 42**                      # **268**  
 Brown, Matthew                      Applied Micro (AMCC)

**Comment Type**    **ER**            **Comment Status**    **D**  
 Paragraph on EEE behavior seems out of place here.

**SuggestedRemedy**  
 Move paragraph lines 42 to 48 to end of sub-clause 72.1.

**Proposed Response**            **Response Status**    **W**  
 PROPOSED REJECT.

Need a better reason to move it.

**Cl 72**    **SC 72.6.4**                      **P 236**    **L 23**                      # **269**  
 Brown, Matthew                      Applied Micro (AMCC)

**Comment Type**    **GR**            **Comment Status**    **D**  
 EEE terminology.

**SuggestedRemedy**  
 change "EEE is implemented" to "EEE is supported".

**Proposed Response**            **Response Status**    **W**  
 PROPOSED ACCEPT.

**Cl 72**    **SC 72.6.4**                      **P 236**    **L 35**                      # **270**  
 Brown, Matthew                      Applied Micro (AMCC)

**Comment Type**    **GR**            **Comment Status**    **D**  
 EEE terminology.

**SuggestedRemedy**  
 change "EEE is not implemented" to "EEE is not supported".

**Proposed Response**            **Response Status**    **W**  
 PROPOSED ACCEPT.

**Cl 72**    **SC 72.6.5**                      **P 236**    **L 45**                      # **271**  
 Brown, Matthew                      Applied Micro (AMCC)

**Comment Type**    **TR**            **Comment Status**    **D**  
 Transmitter output is not specified during LPI QUIET period.

**SuggestedRemedy**  
 Modify item a) with new text delimited by <> as follows: "variable is set to ONE <or tx\_mode is QUIET>, this function..."

**Proposed Response**            **Response Status**    **W**  
 PROPOSED REJECT.  
 That section references table 7-6 which show the TX disable as 30 mV.

**Cl 72**    **SC 72.6.11**                      **P 237**    **L 28**                      # **272**  
 Brown, Matthew                      Applied Micro (AMCC)

**Comment Type**    **GR**            **Comment Status**    **D**  
 link partner is by definition remote

**SuggestedRemedy**  
 change "remote link partner's" to "link partner's"

**Proposed Response**            **Response Status**    **W**  
 PROPOSED ACCEPT.

**Cl 72**    **SC 72.6.11**                      **P 237**    **L 32**                      # **273**  
 Brown, Matthew                      Applied Micro (AMCC)

**Comment Type**    **GR**            **Comment Status**    **D**  
 PMD service interface parameters belong in 72.2

**SuggestedRemedy**  
 On page 235, delete lines 50 to 54. Move definitions from 72.6.11 (page 237 line 32 to page 238 line 28) to section 7.2.

**Proposed Response**            **Response Status**    **W**  
 PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

These are specific to the LPI function. Will add reference to point to definition in LPI function.

## Proposed responses

## IEEE P802.3az D3.0 Energy Efficient Ethernet comments

CI 72 SC 72.6.11.1.2 P237 L52 # 274  
Brown, Matthew Applied Micro (AMCC)

Comment Type GR Comment Status D

Sentence does not make sense.

## SuggestedRemedy

Replace with: "The PCS generates this primitive to indicate the current receive LPI state"

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

CI 72 SC 72.6.11.1.2 P237 L51 # 275  
Brown, Matthew Applied Micro (AMCC)

Comment Type GR Comment Status D

definition isn't clear, also is a request

## SuggestedRemedy

Change definition to "The PCS generates this primitive to request the appropriate PMD receive LPI state."

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

CI 72 SC 72.6.11.2.2 P238 L21 # 276  
Brown, Matthew Applied Micro (AMCC)

Comment Type GR Comment Status D

definition isn't clear, also is a request

## SuggestedRemedy

Change definition to "The PCS generates this primitive to request the appropriate PMD transmit LPI state."

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

CI 72 SC 72.7.1.4 P238 L43 # 277  
Brown, Matthew Applied Micro (AMCC)

Comment Type GR Comment Status D

maximum voltage level during QUIET mode is not specified

## SuggestedRemedy

add sentence "While in LPI QUIET mode, the PMD output voltage shall be no larger than the maximum specified for TX disabled in Table 72-6." Add PICs statement in 72.10.

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED REJECT.

TX\_quiet turns off the transmitter. The TX disable voltage is specified as 30 mV. A PIC already exists for this, TC5.

CI 72 SC 72.10.4.2 P240 L35 # 278  
Brown, Matthew Applied Micro (AMCC)

Comment Type GR Comment Status D

PICS for receive signal detect assert and de-assert times from 72.7.1.4 is missing.

## SuggestedRemedy

Add PICS for signal detect assert and de-assert times.

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Delete the LPI timing from Table 72-9

Insert the following text after the 2nd paragraph on 72.6.4:

"If EEE is supported, the signal energy from a compliant transmitter shall set SIGNAL\_DETECT to OK within 500ns when transitioning from LPI quiet to active and set SIGNAL\_DETECT to FAIL within 500ns when transitioning from active to LPI quiet.

Also, Add the following PIC to 72.10.4.2

Item: FS5c

Feature: Signal Detect for EEE

Subclause: 70.6.4

Value: Transition timing to set SIGNAL\_DETECT.

Status: LPI:M

Supported: Yes [ ], N/A [ ]

## Proposed responses

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CI 72 SC 72.10.4.2 P240 L35 # 279  
Brown, Matthew Applied Micro (AMCC)

Comment Type **GR** Comment Status **D**

PICS for transmit enable/disable times/amplitudes from 72.7.2 is missing.

*SuggestedRemedy*

Add PICS for transmit enabled/disabled times.

Proposed Response Response Status **W**

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Add the following 2 rows to the PICS table in 72.10.4.4

Item: TC6a

Feature: Output Amplitude LPI voltage

Subclause: 72.7.1.4

Value/Comment: Less than 30mv within 500ns of tx\_quiet

Status: LPI:M

Support: Yes[ ], N/A [ ]

Item: TC6b

Feature: Output Amplitude ON voltage

Subclause: 72.7.1.4

Value/Comment: Greater than 90% of previous level within 500ns of tx\_quiet de-asserted

Status: LPI:M

Support: Yes[ ], N/A [ ]

CI 74 SC 74.4.1 P241 L23 # 280  
Brown, Matthew Applied Micro (AMCC)

Comment Type **GR** Comment Status **D**

Figure 74-2. LPI blocks appears to be part of receiver but includes transmit and receiver functions.

*SuggestedRemedy*

Move LPI block outside of the receive block.

Proposed Response Response Status **W**

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

CI 74 SC 74.4.1 P241 L39 # 281  
Brown, Matthew Applied Micro (AMCC)

Comment Type **GR** Comment Status **D**

Figure 74-2. FEC\_LPI\_ACTIVE is not required between PMA and FEC.

*SuggestedRemedy*

Delete FEC\_LPI\_ACTIVE signal between PMA and FEC.

Proposed Response Response Status **W**

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

CI 74 SC 74.4.1 P241 L29 # 282  
Brown, Matthew Applied Micro (AMCC)

Comment Type **GR** Comment Status **D**

Figure 74-2. Primitives between FEC and PCS should be prefixed with FEC not PCS.

*SuggestedRemedy*

On LPI primitives between FEC and PCS, replace "PCS\_" with "FEC\_".

Proposed Response Response Status **W**

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

CI 74 SC 74.4.1 P241 L29 # 283  
Brown, Matthew Applied Micro (AMCC)

Comment Type **GR** Comment Status **D**

Figure 74-2. Primitives between FEC and PMA should be prefixed with PMA not FEC

*SuggestedRemedy*

On LPI primitives between FEC and PMA replace "FEC\_" with "PMA\_".

Proposed Response Response Status **W**

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

CI 74 SC 74.5.1 P242 L21 # 284  
Brown, Matthew Applied Micro (AMCC)

Comment Type **ER** Comment Status **D**

new text

*SuggestedRemedy*

underline "FEC\_ENERGY.indication(energy\_detect)"

Proposed Response Response Status **W**

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

## Proposed responses

## IEEE P802.3az D3.0 Energy Efficient Ethernet comments

**Cl 74**    **SC 74.5.1.4**                      **P242**    **L43**                      # **285**  
 Brown, Matthew                              Applied Micro (AMCC)  
**Comment Type**    **GR**                      **Comment Status**    **D**  
 Remove details of signal detection as this not properly defined here and is already specified in the PMD.  
**SuggestedRemedy**  
 Delete end of sentence " is set to ... otherwise".  
**Proposed Response**                      **Response Status**    **W**  
 PROPOSED ACCEPT.

**Cl 74**    **SC 74.5.1.8**                      **P243**    **L54**                      # **286**  
 Brown, Matthew                              Applied Micro (AMCC)  
**Comment Type**    **GR**                      **Comment Status**    **D**  
 spelling  
**SuggestedRemedy**  
 change "FEC\_UNIDATA" to "FEC\_UNITDATA"  
**Proposed Response**                      **Response Status**    **W**  
 PROPOSED ACCEPT.

**Cl 74**    **SC 74.5.1.8**                      **P243**    **L54**                      # **287**  
 Brown, Matthew                              Applied Micro (AMCC)  
**Comment Type**    **ER**                      **Comment Status**    **D**  
 spelling  
**SuggestedRemedy**  
 change "block" to "blocks"  
**Proposed Response**                      **Response Status**    **W**  
 PROPOSED REJECT.  
  
 Can't find the issue.

**Cl 74**    **SC 74.5.1.8**                      **P244**    **L10**                      # **288**  
 Brown, Matthew                              Applied Micro (AMCC)  
**Comment Type**    **ER**                      **Comment Status**    **D**  
 space  
**SuggestedRemedy**  
 add space in "standard.FEC"  
**Proposed Response**                      **Response Status**    **W**  
 PROPOSED ACCEPT.

**Cl 74**    **SC 74.5.1.8**                      **P244**    **L10**                      # **289**  
 Brown, Matthew                              Applied Micro (AMCC)  
**Comment Type**    **GR**                      **Comment Status**    **D**  
 preclude is the wrong word  
**SuggestedRemedy**  
 change to "The FEC sub-layer will hold off asserting SIGNAL\_OK..."  
**Proposed Response**                      **Response Status**    **W**  
 PROPOSED ACCEPT.

**Cl 78**    **SC 78.1**                                      **P246**    **L15**                      # **290**  
 Brown, Matthew                              Applied Micro (AMCC)  
**Comment Type**    **E**                                      **Comment Status**    **D**  
 unnecessary word  
**SuggestedRemedy**  
 Replace "the 10GBASE-T" with "10GBASE-T"  
**Proposed Response**                      **Response Status**    **W**  
 PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.  
  
 Leave "the" in there and put in a "the" in front of 1000BASE-T for consistency.

## Proposed responses

## IEEE P802.3az D3.0 Energy Efficient Ethernet comments

**Cl 78**    **SC 78.1**                      **P246**        **L22**                      # **291**  
 Brown, Matthew                      Applied Micro (AMCC)  
**Comment Type**    **E**                      **Comment Status**    **D**  
 missing word  
**SuggestedRemedy**  
 Replace "also met" with "also be met"  
**Proposed Response**                      **Response Status**    **W**  
 PROPOSED ACCEPT.

**Cl 78**    **SC 78.1.2.1.2**                      **P248**        **L15**                      # **292**  
 Brown, Matthew                      Applied Micro (AMCC)  
**Comment Type**    **TR**                      **Comment Status**    **D**  
 LPI\_REQUEST is also ineffective when receiving REMOTE\_FAULT. Note that sending REMOTE\_FAULT is equivalent to receiving LOCAL\_FAULT.  
**SuggestedRemedy**  
 Add "e) The PHY is receiving REMOTE\_FAULT."  
**Proposed Response**                      **Response Status**    **W**  
 PROPOSED ACCEPT.  
 Changed page number to 248 from 246.

**Cl 78**    **SC 78.1.3.3.1**                      **P250**        **L23**                      # **293**  
 Brown, Matthew                      Applied Micro (AMCC)  
**Comment Type**    **GR**                      **Comment Status**    **D**  
 Sending LPI indicates the transmit process, not the system, is entering LPI mode.  
**SuggestedRemedy**  
 Change "the local system is entering" to "the local transmitter is entering".  
**Proposed Response**                      **Response Status**    **W**  
 PROPOSED ACCEPT.

**Cl 78**    **SC 78.2**                                      **P251**        **L44**                      # **294**  
 Brown, Matthew                      Applied Micro (AMCC)  
**Comment Type**    **GR**                      **Comment Status**    **D**  
 What is a "start of shell delimiter"? SSD is defined in 1.4.334 as "start of stream delimiter".  
**SuggestedRemedy**  
 Replace "start of shell" with "start of stream". Two instances.  
**Proposed Response**                      **Response Status**    **W**  
 PROPOSED ACCEPT.

**Cl 78**    **SC 78.2**                                      **P251**        **L44**                      # **295**  
 Brown, Matthew                      Applied Micro (AMCC)  
**Comment Type**    **TR**                      **Comment Status**    **D**  
 SSD is not defined for 10G PHYs. What should be used in its place?  
**SuggestedRemedy**  
 I'm not sure what the right answer is.  
**Proposed Response**                      **Response Status**    **W**  
 PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.  
 Replace:  
 "...of a start of shell delimiter (SSD) ..."  
 with:  
 "a given unit of data"

**Cl 78**    **SC 78.1.3.3.2**                      **P251**        **L5**                      # **296**  
 Brown, Matthew                      Applied Micro (AMCC)  
**Comment Type**    **GR**                      **Comment Status**    **D**  
 The PHY indicates LPI when receiving the the SLEEP signal, much before ceasing transmission.  
**SuggestedRemedy**  
 Change "When the Link partner has ceased transmission," to "When the receiver detects the SLEEP signal,".  
**Proposed Response**                      **Response Status**    **W**  
 PROPOSED ACCEPT.

## Proposed responses

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*Cl* **78**    *SC* **78.3**                      *P* **252**    *L* **47**                      # **297**  
Brown, Matthew                                      Applied Micro (AMCC)

*Comment Type*    **GR**                      *Comment Status*    **D**

What is "link establishment process"? I assume this is auto-negotiation.

*SuggestedRemedy*

Replace "link establishment process" with "auto-negotiation".

*Proposed Response*                      *Response Status*    **W**

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

*Cl* **78**    *SC* **78.3**                      *P* **252**    *L* **49**                      # **298**  
Brown, Matthew                                      Applied Micro (AMCC)

*Comment Type*    **TR**                      *Comment Status*    **D**

Some PHYs do not permit asymmetric LPI nor is it necessary to state this here.

*SuggestedRemedy*

Delete "independently in either direction".

*Proposed Response*                      *Response Status*    **W**

PROPOSED REJECT.

1000BASE-T allows asymmetric operation at the system level.

*Cl* **74**    *SC* **74.5.1.8**                      *P* **244**    *L* **4**                      # **299**  
Healey, Adam    LSI Corporation

*Comment Type*    **TR**                      *Comment Status*    **D**

A hold-off of 30 microseconds seems too long. For a normal wake (not a wake from refresh) the FEC rapid block lock mechanism will receive the deterministic frames approximately 12 microseconds following the start of wake. If the rapid block lock mechanism fails to achieve lock during the 1 microsecond transmission of deterministic frames, it will be inhibited from setting signal\_ok = TRUE for an additional 17 microseconds even if it has an alternate mechanism to obtain lock during that period. During this period, received frames are simply consumed by the PHY. The purpose of the hold-off is to prohibit the FEC sublayer from setting signal\_ok prior to the deterministic frames being received so that those frames are never passed to the PCS for further processing. A hold-off of 13 microseconds would appear to be sufficient. With respect to the variable arrival of deterministic frames for the wake from refresh scenario, a separate comment has been submitted to alter to the transmitter behavior to make schedule for deterministic frame transmission to be deterministic. This proposal should be considered in conjunction with the proposed changes to the LPI state diagram.

*SuggestedRemedy*

Per comment.

*Proposed Response*                      *Response Status*    **W**

PROPOSED REJECT.

The FEC sub layer hold off asserting SIGNAL\_OK until one of the two events occurs. So this hold off timer acts like a watchdog mechanism.

The 30us is to handle when there is a wake comes in when the transmitter is in TX\_REFRESH state (up to 14us). At which point it will transition to TX\_WAKE (another 11us) before asserting scrambler bypass. So the receiver is not going to see the deterministic block for at least a total of 25us. Added 5us more to cover the scrambler bypass period and some margin.



Cl 70 SC 70.7.1.5 P227 L49 # 300  
Healey, Adam LSI Corporation

Comment Type TR Comment Status D

The requirements of 70.7.1.5 ensure that the transmitter will provide a signal with sufficient amplitude to trigger the receiver signal detect function. It offers the receiver designer no guidance as to when the transmitter output will be fully compliant (amplitude, jitter, etc.).

*SuggestedRemedy*

Define the maximum time the transmitter is allowed, following the assertion of tx\_quiet = FALSE, to obtain full compliance. This value is proposed to be 5 microseconds. The values in Table 78-4 must be updated to align with this allowance as this considered to be part of the transmitter's wake time shrinkage. Include a row in Table 70-4 for this value.

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Append to 70.7.1.5 the following sentence:

"The output differential peak-to-peak output voltage shall be within the normal operating range of 800-1200 mV within 5 us after tx\_quiet is de-asserted."

Cl 70 SC 70.7.1.5 P227 L51 # 301  
Healey, Adam LSI Corporation

Comment Type TR Comment Status D

The transmitter is required to transmit a differential peak-to-peak output greater than 800 mV within 500 ns following a tx\_quiet being set to false. However, the output voltage during normal operation is allowed to be as low as 800 mV (per Table 70-6). It makes no sense to force the voltage at the start of wake to be greater than the minimum.

*SuggestedRemedy*

Moreover, the output amplitude should only be as large as needed to trigger the receiver signal detect function. In other clauses, this is less than the minimum value during normal operation. Suggest that the value be 700 mV peak-to-peak differential.

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

I propose making it 720 mV peak-to-peak differential as that is consistent with the 90% that is in Clause 72.

Cl 71 SC 71.7.1.4 P232 L40 # 302  
Healey, Adam LSI Corporation

Comment Type TR Comment Status D

The requirements of 71.7.1.4 ensure that the transmitter will provide a signal with sufficient amplitude to trigger the receiver signal detect function. It offers the receiver designer no guidance as to when the transmitter output will be fully compliant (amplitude, jitter, etc.).

*SuggestedRemedy*

Define the maximum time the transmitter is allowed, following the assertion of tx\_quiet = FALSE, to obtain full compliance. This value is proposed to be 5 microseconds. The values in Table 78-4 must be updated to align with this allowance as this considered to be part of the transmitter's wake time shrinkage. Include a row in Table 71-4 for this value.

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Append to 71.7.1.4 the following sentence:

"The output differential peak-to-peak output voltage shall be within the normal operating range of 800-1200 mV within 5 us after tx\_quiet is de-asserted."

Cl 71 SC 71.7.1.4 P232 L43 # 303  
Healey, Adam LSI Corporation

Comment Type TR Comment Status D

The transmitter is required to transmit a differential peak-to-peak output greater than 800 mV within 500 ns following a tx\_quiet being set to false. However, the output voltage during normal operation is allowed to be as low as 800 mV (per Table 71-4). It makes no sense to force the voltage at the start of wake to be greater than the minimum.

*SuggestedRemedy*

Moreover, the output amplitude should only be as large as needed to trigger the receiver signal detect function. In other clauses, this is less than the minimum value during normal operation. Suggest that the value be 700 mV peak-to-peak differential.

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

To keep it consistent with 72.7.1 Output Amplitude of 90% of previously trained single, I propose we set it to 90% of the minimum or 720 mV which is close to the suggestion.

## Proposed responses

## IEEE P802.3az D3.0 Energy Efficient Ethernet comments

Cl 00 SC 00 P12 L42 # 304  
 Dambrosia, John Force10 Networks

Comment Type ER Comment Status D TOC  
 ToC is incorrect. 55.2.2.3.1, 55.2.2.9, 55.2.2.10, 55.2.2.11, 55.3.2.2, and 55.3.2.3 are put under 55.1.4

SuggestedRemedy  
 Correct headings so that ToC is correct

Proposed Response Response Status W  
 PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 00 SC 00 P12 L44 # 305  
 Dambrosia, John Force10 Networks

Comment Type ER Comment Status D TOC  
 ToC is incorrect for Clause 55. 55.3.5.2.3, 55.3.5.2.4, 55.3.5.2.5 are shown under 55.3.4a.3. 55.10, and 55.12 is not in the ToC

SuggestedRemedy  
 Correct headings so that ToC is correct

Proposed Response Response Status W  
 PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 00 SC 00 P12 L43 # 306  
 Dambrosia, John Force10 Networks

Comment Type ER Comment Status D TOC  
 ToC for Clause 55 is totally wrong, and needs to be completely reviewed. Subclauses are not under appropriate subclauses

SuggestedRemedy  
 do total review of all headings and relations of subclause headings, so that it is correct.

Proposed Response Response Status W  
 PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 69 SC 69.2.3 P223 L46 # 307  
 Dambrosia, John Force10 Networks

Comment Type TR Comment Status D  
 Clause 82 is mandatory - not optional for 40GBASE-KR4

SuggestedRemedy  
 Change optional entry to mandatory entry for Clause 82 (40GBASE-R PCS) for 40GBASE-KR4

Proposed Response Response Status W  
 PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 69 SC 69.2.3 P223 L42 # 308  
 Dambrosia, John Force10 Networks

Comment Type TR Comment Status D  
 Clause 81 has nothing to do with 1000BASE-KX, 10GBASE-KX4, and 10GBASE-KR

SuggestedRemedy  
 Delete optional entry for Clause 81 RS to 1000BASE-KX, 10GBASE-KX4, and 10GBASE-KR.

Proposed Response Response Status W  
 PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 69 SC 69.2.3 P223 L46 # 309  
 Dambrosia, John Force10 Networks

Comment Type TR Comment Status D  
 Clause 81 XLGMII is not mandatory for 40GBASE-KR4. It is an optional physical interface.

SuggestedRemedy  
 Change mandatory entry to optional entry for Clause 81 (XLGMII) for 40GBASE-KR4

Proposed Response Response Status W  
 PROPOSED ACCEPT.

## Proposed responses

## IEEE P802.3az D3.0 Energy Efficient Ethernet comments

Cl 69 SC 69.2.6 P224 L3 # 310  
 Dambrosia, John Force10 Networks

Comment Type TR Comment Status D

The statement -"With the optional EEE feature, described in Clause 78, the Backplane Ethernet PHYs can achieve lower is not accurate for EEE, as EEE only applies to Backplane Ethernet PHYs for 10Gb/s or lower power consumption

*SuggestedRemedy*

Modify statement to read -With the optional EEE feature, described in Clause 78, Backplane Ethernet PHYs for 10Gb/s or lower can achieve lower power consumption.

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 14 SC 14.10.4.7.1 P22 L7 # 311  
 Dambrosia, John Force10 Networks

Comment Type TR Comment Status D

Stated parameter fr LS4 is for a type 10BASE-T MAU but this does not agree with the text in 14.4.2.1 which states for a 10BASE-T MAU that is not a 10BASE-Te MAU.

*SuggestedRemedy*

Change parameter for LS4 to agree with text in 14.4.2.1

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Change Parameter for LS4 in section 14.10.4.7.1 from:  
 "Insertion loss, 5.0 to 10 MHz for a type 10BASE-T MAU"  
 to:

"Insertion loss, 5.0 to 10 MHz for a type 10BASE-T MAU that is not a type 10BASE-Te MAU"

Change Value/Comment for LS4 in section 14.10.4.7.1 from:  
 "Conditional on whether it is a type 10BASE-T MAU. <= 11.5db"  
 to:

"Conditional on whether it is a type 10BASE-T MAU that is not a type 10BASE-Te MAU. <= 11.5db"

Make a similar change to parameter TS1 in section 14.10.4.5.12.

Change Parameter for TS1 in section 14.10.4.5.12 from:  
 "Peak differential output voltage on TD circuit for a type 10BASE-T MAU"  
 to:

"Peak differential output voltage on TD circuit for a type 10BASE-T MAU that is not a type 10BASE-Te MAU"

Change Value/Comment for TS1 in section 14.10.4.5.12 from:  
 "Conditional on whether it is a type 10BASE-T MAU. 2.2 to 2.8 V"  
 to:

"Conditional or whether it is a type 10BASE-T MAU that is not a type 10BASE-Te MAU. 2.2 to 2.8 V"

## Proposed responses

## IEEE P802.3az D3.0 Energy Efficient Ethernet comments

Cl 22 SC 22.7.3.2a P31 L24 # 312  
Dambrosia, John Force10 Networks

Comment Type **TR** Comment Status **D**

Feature for L2 reads - RX\_CLK max high/low time transitioning to START\_RX\_SLEEP state, but there is no mention of START\_RX\_SLEEP state in identified subclause 22.2.2.2.

*SuggestedRemedy*

Change parameter for L2 to agree with text in 22.2.2.2

Proposed Response Response Status **W**

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Change to:

RX\_CLK max high/low time while the PHY is asserting LPI

Cl 22 SC 22.7.3.2a P31 L30 # 313  
Dambrosia, John Force10 Networks

Comment Type **TR** Comment Status **D**

no SHALLS for L4 and L6

*SuggestedRemedy*

add appropriate SHALL statements

Proposed Response Response Status **W**

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

The L4 option is indicated in the clause using "may"

L6 should have been deleted following an earlier change to the draft - delete L6

Cl 22 SC 22.7.3.2a P31 L33 # 314  
Dambrosia, John Force10 Networks

Comment Type **TR** Comment Status **D**

L5 parameter should refer to RX-CLK restarting which is what the shall statement refers to

*SuggestedRemedy*

change l5 parameter text to Restat of RX\_CLK before LPI deasserted

Proposed Response Response Status **W**

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Change to:

RX\_CLK restart before LPI deasserted

Cl 25 SC 25.4a.5 P54 L45 # 315  
Dambrosia, John Force10 Networks

Comment Type **ER** Comment Status **D**

Signal\_Detect output shall be asserted within 5 micro sec instead of 1000 micro sec. why is instead of 1000 microsec necessary?

*SuggestedRemedy*

delete instead of 1000 micros

Proposed Response Response Status **W**

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 25 SC 25.4a.6 P54 L52 # 316  
Dambrosia, John Force10 Networks

Comment Type **ER** Comment Status **D**

Signal\_Detect output shall be asserted within 5 micros instead of 350 micros. why is instead of 350micros necessary?

*SuggestedRemedy*

delete "instead of 350 micros"

Proposed Response Response Status **W**

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 25 SC 25.5.4.4 P56 L44 # 317  
Dambrosia, John Force10 Networks

Comment Type **TR** Comment Status **D**

Value states The scrambler and transmit functions continue to operate for at least 5 micros following tx\_quiet = TRUE, but the cited text says it shall operate for the first 5microS, not at least 5micros

*SuggestedRemedy*

change value field to read - The scrambler and transmit functions continue to operate for the first 5 micros following tx\_quiet = TRUE.

Proposed Response Response Status **W**

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

## Proposed responses

## IEEE P802.3az D3.0 Energy Efficient Ethernet comments

Cl 35 SC 35.5.3.3a P73 L7 # 318  
Dambrosia, John Force10 Networks

Comment Type **TR** Comment Status **D**

Referenced subclause is incorrect, and there is no corresponding SHALL statement

*SuggestedRemedy*

change subclause to 35.2.2.6. change feature to assertion of LPI in RX direction. Change value to as defined in Table 35-2. Add corresponding SHALL statement

Proposed Response Response Status **W**

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Change reference as described

Change feature as described

Change the paragraph on p.68, l.32 to read:

Table 35-2 specifies the permissible encoding of RXD<7:0>, RX\_ER, and RX\_DV, along with the specific indication that shall be interpreted by the RS.

NOTE - this changes text that refers to the legacy gigabit RS operation and may effect over 1,000,000,000 PHYs.

Cl 35 SC 35.5.3.3a P73 L5 # 319  
Dambrosia, John Force10 Networks

Comment Type **ER** Comment Status **D**

Feature includes value statement

*SuggestedRemedy*

Change feature to assertion of LPI in TX Direction change value to "as defined in Table 35-1.

Proposed Response Response Status **W**

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Make the suggested change for L1 and L2.

Cl 35 SC 35.5.3.3a P73 L10 # 320  
Dambrosia, John Force10 Networks

Comment Type **TR** Comment Status **D**

no shall statements for L3.

*SuggestedRemedy*

add appropriate SHALL statement

Proposed Response Response Status **W**

PROPOSED REJECT.

The L3 option is indicated in the clause using "may"

Cl 40 SC 40.3.3.1 P98 L48 # 321  
Dambrosia, John Force10 Networks

Comment Type **TR** Comment Status **D**

no shall or PIC for lpi\_mode

*SuggestedRemedy*

add shall statement and appropriate PIC

Proposed Response Response Status **W**

PROPOSED REJECT.

The wording was chosen specifically to avoid adding a redundant item to the PICS Proforma.

The variable in question is set by the PMA PHY Control function and passed to the PCS Receive function. It is stated that the PMA PHY control function shall operate as if the value of this variable is FALSE (40.4.5.1, page 103, line 28) and the PCS Receive function inherits this value. As this is behavior covered by PICS Proforma item PMF27, an additional item would be redundant.

## Proposed responses

## IEEE P802.3az D3.0 Energy Efficient Ethernet comments

CI 40 SC 40.12.6 P113 L18 # 322  
Dambrosia, John Force10 Networks

Comment Type **TR** Comment Status **D**

There is no variable defined for PMF28

*SuggestedRemedy*

add a variable definition. In value field Pperate should be changed to Operate

Proposed Response Response Status **W**

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Change Value/Comment for PMF28 to:

"Operate as if the value of rem\_lpi\_req is FALSE."

CI 40 SC 40.4.5.1 P103 L42 # 323  
Dambrosia, John Force10 Networks

Comment Type **TR** Comment Status **D**

shouldn't there be a SHALL and associated PIC

*SuggestedRemedy*

add appropriate SHALL and PIC

Proposed Response Response Status **W**

PROPOSED REJECT.

The editor assumes the comment refers to the definition of the rem\_lpi\_req variable.

The wording was chosen specifically to avoid adding a redundant item to the PICS Proforma.

The variable in question is set by the PCS Receive function and passed to the PMA PHY Control function. It is stated that the PCS Receive function shall operate as if the value of this variable is FALSE (40.3.3.1, page 99, line 4) and the PMA PHY Control function inherits this value. As this is behavior covered by PICS Proforma item PCR5, an additional item would be redundant.

CI 40 SC 40.12.6 P114 L20 # 324  
Dambrosia, John Force10 Networks

Comment Type **E** Comment Status **D**

Text discusses state diagram Fig. 40-15b

*SuggestedRemedy*

Add reference in Value column to Fig 40-15b

Proposed Response Response Status **W**

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

The editor assumes that this refers to PME74.

Change the Value/Comment field for PME74 to:

"Achieve compliant operation upon entry to the WAKE\_TRAINING state (see the PHY Control state diagram, Figure 40-15b)."

CI 40 SC 40.5.1 P108 L35 # 325  
Dambrosia, John Force10 Networks

Comment Type **TR** Comment Status **D**

Add SHALL statement and PIC

*SuggestedRemedy*

Add "SHALL" statement and PIC

Proposed Response Response Status **W**

PROPOSED REJECT.

In the context of 40.5.1, this item is being added to a list associated with descriptive text and adding "shall" for this particular item is inappropriate and redundant.

Supplemental requirements for EEE auto-negotiation are addressed in 40.5.1.2 and PICS Proforma item AN15.

## Proposed responses

## IEEE P802.3az D3.0 Energy Efficient Ethernet comments

CI 40 SC 40.6.1.2.7 P110 L42 # 326  
Dambrosia, John Force10 Networks

Comment Type TR Comment Status D

The following statement is made - When the PHY supports the optional EEE capability, it is required to transmit Idle symbols while in the WAKE state (see the PHY Control state diagram, Figure 40--15b). If it is required there should be a corresponding SHALL statement

## SuggestedRemedy

add corresponding shall statement

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

The word "shall" was avoided specifically to avoid adding a redundant item to the PICS Proforma.

The required behavior is embodied by the PHY Control state diagram (tx\_mode is set to SEND\_I in the WAKE state) as referenced by the cited text and compliance to this state diagram is required per PMF24.

However, use of the phrase "is required to" is unnecessary. Change the text as follows.

"When the PHY supports the optional EEE capability, it transmits Idle symbols while in the WAKE state (see the PHY Control state diagram, Figure 40-15b)."

CI 00 SC 0 P L # 327  
Dambrosia, John Force10 Networks

Comment Type ER Comment Status D

Bookmark for 40.5.1 is under 40.4

## SuggestedRemedy

Correct bookmark for 40.5.1 so it is not under 40.4

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

CI 00 SC 0 P L # 328  
Dambrosia, John Force10 Networks

Comment Type ER Comment Status D

Bookmark for 40.6.l.x.x is under 40.5.1.2

## SuggestedRemedy

Correct bookmarks

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

CI 46 SC 46.5.3.3a P141 L25 # 329  
Dambrosia, John Force10 Networks

Comment Type TR Comment Status D

No corresponding SHALL statements for L1, L2, L3

## SuggestedRemedy

add corresponding shall statement

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

The "shall" for item L1 (first) is on p.135 l.52

Add the following at the end of the first paragraph of 46.3.2.4 (p.137 l.22) to provide a "shall" for L1 (second):

The RS shall interpret the LPI coding as shown in Table 46-4

Optional items L2 & L3 are designated by "may" in the clauses referenced.

CI 46 SC 46.5.3.3a P141 L25 # 330  
Dambrosia, John Force10 Networks

Comment Type ER Comment Status D

redundant item numbers

## SuggestedRemedy

renumber item number's accordingly

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

## Proposed responses

## IEEE P802.3az D3.0 Energy Efficient Ethernet comments

**Cl 47**    **SC 47.6.4.4**                      **P144**    **L 30**                      # **331**  
 Dambrosia, John                              Force10 Networks

**Comment Type**    **TR**                      **Comment Status**    **D**  
 no corresponding SHALL statements for LP-04

**SuggestedRemedy**  
 add corresponding shall statement

**Proposed Response**                      **Response Status**    **W**  
 PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Add a new subclause:  
 Insert the following after 47.3.4.6  
 47.3.4.7 EEE receiver timing

For EEE capability, the receiver shall meet the timing requirements shown in Table 47-3 for Signal\_Detect activation and deactivation.

**Cl 48**    **SC 48.7.4.8**                      **P159**    **L 24**                      # **332**  
 Dambrosia, John                              Force10 Networks

**Comment Type**    **TR**                      **Comment Status**    **D**  
 no corresponding SHALL statements for LP-01

**SuggestedRemedy**  
 add corresponding shall statement

**Proposed Response**                      **Response Status**    **W**  
 PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Insert a new subclause in the draft: 48.2.6.2.4:  
 Change the first paragraph of 48.2.6.2.4

The PCS shall implement its Receive process as depicted in Figure 48-9, including compliance with the associated state variables as specified in 48.2.6.1 and including the optional EEE capability if appropriate.

**Cl 49**    **SC 49.2.13.2.3**                      **P163**    **L 24**                      # **333**  
 Dambrosia, John                              Force10 Networks

**Comment Type**    **ER**                      **Comment Status**    **D**  
 subclauses are out of order with 49.2.13.2.2 on Page 166

**SuggestedRemedy**  
 reorder subclauses

**Proposed Response**                      **Response Status**    **W**  
 PROPOSED ACCEPT.

**Cl 49**    **SC 49.3.6.6**                      **P176**    **L 32**                      # **334**  
 Dambrosia, John                              Force10 Networks

**Comment Type**    **TR**                      **Comment Status**    **D**  
 no corresponding shall statements for LP-04, LP-05, and LP-06

**SuggestedRemedy**  
 add corresponding shall statements

**Proposed Response**                      **Response Status**    **W**  
 PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

The "shall" for LP-04 is on p.166, l.51.

Modify the change instruction for 49.2.13.3:  
 Change Figure 49-14 for LPI transmit state diagram and 49-15 for LPI receive state diagram; change the final paragraph of 49.2.13.3

Insert the following paragraph in the draft, with appropriate change markers.  
 "The PCS shall perform the functions of Lock, BER Monitor, Transmit and Receive as specified in these state diagrams, including the optional EEE capability if appropriate."



## Proposed responses

## IEEE P802.3az D3.0 Energy Efficient Ethernet comments

CI 51 SC 51.10.4.5 P181 L 22 # 335  
Dambrosia, John Force10 Networks

Comment Type TR Comment Status D  
no corresponding shall statements for LP-01

SuggestedRemedy  
add corresponding shall statement

Proposed Response Response Status W  
PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

This subclause is deleted by comment #199

Delete the subclause with this PICS entry.

CI 70 SC 70.6.5 P226 L 21 # 336  
Dambrosia, John Force10 Networks

Comment Type TR Comment Status D  
no PICS for SHALL statements for bullets a and D

SuggestedRemedy  
add corresponding PIC statements

Proposed Response Response Status W  
PROPOSED REJECT.

Incomplete comment

CI 70 SC 70.10.4.1 P229 L 31 # 337  
Dambrosia, John Force10 Networks

Comment Type TR Comment Status D  
no SHALL statement for FS10

SuggestedRemedy  
add corresponding shall statement

Proposed Response Response Status W  
PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

For 70.6.10, change

"The following primitives are defined on the PMD Service Interface when EEE is supported:"

"If EEE is supported, the following PMD Service Interface primitives shall be supported."

CI 71 SC 71.10.4.2 P234 L 31 # 338  
Dambrosia, John Force10 Networks

Comment Type TR Comment Status D  
no SHALL statement for FS18

SuggestedRemedy  
add corresponding shall statement

Proposed Response Response Status W  
PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

For 71.6.12, change

"The following primitives are defined on the PMD Service Interface when EEE is supported:"

"If EEE is supported, the following PMD Service Interface primitives shall be supported."

CI 72 SC 72.10.4.2 P240 L 35 # 339  
Dambrosia, John Force10 Networks

Comment Type TR Comment Status D  
no SHALL statement for FS12

SuggestedRemedy  
add corresponding shall statement

Proposed Response Response Status W  
PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

See response to comment # 131

CI 74 SC 74.8.4 P244 L 27 # 340  
Dambrosia, John Force10 Networks

Comment Type TR Comment Status D  
SHALL statement doesn't have appropriate PIC

SuggestedRemedy  
add appropriate PIC

Proposed Response Response Status W  
PROPOSED ACCEPT.

## Proposed responses

## IEEE P802.3az D3.0 Energy Efficient Ethernet comments

**Cl 78**    **SC 0**                      **P262**    **L 20**                      # **341**  
 Dambrosia, John                      Force10 Networks

**Comment Type**    **TR**                      **Comment Status**    **D**

there are no PIC statements for all corresponding SHALL statements in Clause 78

**SuggestedRemedy**  
 create PICs section and add pics for all appropriate SHALLs

**Proposed Response**                      **Response Status**    **W**  
 PROPOSED ACCEPT.

**Cl 79**    **SC 79.5.a**                      **P266**    **L 27**                      # **342**  
 Dambrosia, John                      Force10 Networks

**Comment Type**    **TR**                      **Comment Status**    **D**

There are no corresponding SHALL statements for EET1 - EET5

**SuggestedRemedy**  
 add corresponding SHALL statements

**Proposed Response**                      **Response Status**    **W**  
 PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE. - 79.3.a.1: Replace "is the time" with "shall be defined as the time"  
 - 79.3.a.2: Replace "is the time" with "shall be defined as the time"  
 - 79.3.a.3: Change corresponding PICs from an M to an O to match the may in the text  
 - 79.3.a.4: Replace "The respective echo values are" with "The respective echo values shall be defined as"  
 - Insert section 79.3.a.5. Titled "EEE TLV usage rules". Content "An LLDPDU should contain no more than one EEE TLV.". Add reference to new section in PICs entry

**Cl 55**    **SC 55.12.3**                      **P220**    **L 27**                      # **343**  
 Dambrosia, John                      Force10 Networks

**Comment Type**    **TR**                      **Comment Status**    **D**

PCT1a value comment field refers to Fig 55-16, but there is no reference in 55.3.2.2 to Fig 55-16

**SuggestedRemedy**  
 delete reference to Fig 55-16

**Proposed Response**                      **Response Status**    **W**  
 PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

The references in the document have been disturbed somehow.

The reference should be to 55-15a.  
 Also change the text in clause 55.3.2.2 page 189 line 39 to refer to 'Figure 55-15 and Figure 55-15a' instead of only Figure 55-15.

TYPE: TR/technical required ER/editorial required GR/general required T/technical E/editorial G/general  
 COMMENT STATUS: D/dispatched A/accepted R/rejected RESPONSE STATUS: O/open W/written C/closed U/unsatisfied Z/withdrawn  
 SORT ORDER: Comment ID

**Cl 55**    **SC 55.12.3**                      **P220**    **L 29**                      # **344**  
 Dambrosia, John                      Force10 Networks

**Comment Type**    **TR**                      **Comment Status**    **D**

PCT2 subclause reference 55.3.2.2.4 does not exist. PCT3 subclause reference 55.3.2.2.6 does not exist in this amendment. PCT4a subclause reference 55.3.2.2.10 does not exist in this amendment. Subclause references for PCT5 - PCT10 do not exist in this amendment. Therefore there are no appropriate SHALL statements for these PICs.

**SuggestedRemedy**  
 Add appropriate proper subclauses with appropriate SHALL statements

**Proposed Response**                      **Response Status**    **W**  
 PROPOSED REJECT.

This part of the draft is part of a 'change' instruction. Rows are being added to the table for EEE. The subclauses that are identified in the comment are part of the existing Clause 55 text, and are not being modified by this amendment and are therefore not included in this draft.

Reject since no change will be made to the draft.

Note: the additional EEE items were added in the midst of the table to match the precedent of PMF16a, which was an ammendment to the base standard and placed in between PMF16 and PMF17.

The editor would like guidance from the taskforce - should the the EEE items be placed at the end of each PICS section instead? (clause 40 uses this approach)

[if the response to this comment is changed, it affects comment #345 too]

**Cl 55**    **SC 55.12.3**                      **P220**    **L 53**                      # **345**  
 Dambrosia, John                      Force10 Networks

**Comment Type**    **TR**                      **Comment Status**    **D**

subclauses references for PCT11 - PCT15 are incorrect.

**SuggestedRemedy**  
 change 55.3.3 for PCT11 to 55.3.3a.1. Change 55.3.4 for PCT12 PCT15 to 55.3.4a.1

**Proposed Response**                      **Response Status**    **W**  
 PROPOSED REJECT.

See #344

## Proposed responses

## IEEE P802.3az D3.0 Energy Efficient Ethernet comments

Cl 55 SC 55.12.3 P221 L10 # 346  
Dambrosia, John Force10 Networks

Comment Type **TR** Comment Status **D**

PCT15C, PCT15d, PCT15j-PCT15p, and PCT17 subclause references do not exist in this amendment, therefore there are no corresponding SHALL statements for these pics.

*SuggestedRemedy*

Add appropriate proper subclauses with appropriate SHALL statements

Proposed Response Response Status **W**

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Change the references as follows:

PCT15c : 55.3.4a.1

PCT15d : 55.3.4a.2

PCT15j-15p: 55.3.4a.3

PCT17: N/A / base standard reference [ no change needed]

Cl 55 SC 55.12.3 P221 L24 # 347  
Dambrosia, John Force10 Networks

Comment Type **TR** Comment Status **D**

LPI tx wake timer does not exist in this draft other than in the PIC

*SuggestedRemedy*

add appropriate text and SHALL statement

Proposed Response Response Status **W**

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Change LPI tx wake timer to lpi\_wake\_timer.

The reference is correct.

Cl 55 SC 55.12.3 P222 L18 # 348  
Dambrosia, John Force10 Networks

Comment Type **TR** Comment Status **D**

PMF16a comment to Table 55-6A is incorrect, as this is for Recommended fast retrain sequence timing

*SuggestedRemedy*

Move reference in comment field to PMF16B

Proposed Response Response Status **W**

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

PMF16a is part of the base standard. It can be removed from this table, which lists rows that are to be inserted.

Remove the row containing PMF16a.

Cl 55 SC 55.12.3 P222 L18 # 349  
Dambrosia, John Force10 Networks

Comment Type **TR** Comment Status **D**

There is no corresponding SHALL statement related to a start up sequence

*SuggestedRemedy*

add shall statement for appropriate text related to start up sequence.

Proposed Response Response Status **W**

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

See response to #348

## Proposed responses

## IEEE P802.3az D3.0 Energy Efficient Ethernet comments

Cl 55 SC 55.12.3 P222 L 23 # 350  
Dambrosia, John Force10 Networks

Comment Type ER Comment Status D

The definitions of the feature for PMF16c and PMF16d include text that is appropriate for Value comment field.

*SuggestedRemedy*

correct text in Feature and Value / Comment fields accordingly

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Change PMF16c 'Feature' text to  
'Behavior after fast retrain request'  
Change 'Value/Comment' text to  
'Transmit PAM2 within 9 LDPC  
frame periods following fast retrain request'  
Change PMF16d 'Feature' text to  
'Behavior after fast retrain signal detection'  
Change 'Value/Comment' text to  
'Transmit PAM2 within 9 LDPC  
frame periods following fast retrain signal detection'

Cl 55 SC 55.12.3 P222 L 31 # 351  
Dambrosia, John Force10 Networks

Comment Type TR Comment Status D

There is no corresponding SHALL statement related to seeing Table 55-6A. In the text following the timing in this table is defined as should

*SuggestedRemedy*

Replace text on Line 5 Page 210 from "To ensure interoperability the training times in Table 55--6a should be observed during the fast retrain." to "To ensure interoperability the training times in Table 55--6a shall be observed during the fast retrain."

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED REJECT.

The text matches what is used to describe Table 55-6 which is part of the base standard and has identical PICS text. That table is analogous to 55-6A, but for normal training.

Since this timing is recommended, is 'SHALL' appropriate?

Note: If the taskforce wishes to make the change we should change the base text in 55.4.2.5.14 for Table 55-6-Recommended startup sequence timing.

Cl 55 SC 55.1.1 P182 L 15 # 352  
Ganga, Ilango Intel Corporation

Comment Type ER Comment Status D

There is no need to repeat the 10GBASE-T objectives in this amendment. Change editing instructions to insert the new objectives for EEE.

*SuggestedRemedy*

Change editing instruction as follows: "Insert the following objective to the end of the list as follows:" " l) Support a EEE capability as part of Energy Efficient Ethernet (Clause 78)"

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

Cl 55 SC 55.1 P182 L 11 # 353  
Ganga, Ilango Intel Corporation

Comment Type ER Comment Status D

Fast retrain capability is optional, so change the sentence as suggested.

*SuggestedRemedy*

10GBASE-T PHYs with EEE capability may optionally support a fast retrain mechanism

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

There is no advantage to making fast retrain contingent on EEE support.

The text should be changed to state  
'10GBASE-T PHYs may optionally support a fast retrain mechanism'.

Even if EEE is disabled the fast retrain feature has value, and PHYs should be able to support that option.

see #202

## Proposed responses

## IEEE P802.3az D3.0 Energy Efficient Ethernet comments

Cl 55 SC 55.12.2 P220 L13 # 354  
Ganga, Ilango Intel Corporation

Comment Type ER Comment Status D

Provide reference to subclause where the fast retrain option is specified.

*SuggestedRemedy*

Add subclause reference to PICS items FR and EEE

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Add 55.4.2.5.15 as a reference for fast retrain.  
Add 55.1.3.3 as a reference for EEE

Cl 55 SC 55.12 P220 L9 # 355  
Ganga, Ilango Intel Corporation

Comment Type ER Comment Status D

The "Value/Comment" column should be after the subclause column to match the PICS tables in the base standard.

*SuggestedRemedy*

Move the "Value/Comment" column to match the base standard. Make this change in this clause and in other clauses as applicable

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED REJECT.

The table reflects the ordering used in clause 55 in 802.3-2008.

Cl 55 SC 55.1.3 P182 L48 # 356  
Ganga, Ilango Intel Corporation

Comment Type E Comment Status D

Only 10GBASE-T PHYs with EEE capability may optionally support Fast Retrain mechanism, so change sentence as suggested

*SuggestedRemedy*

10GBASE-T PHYs with EEE capability may optionally support a fast retrain mechanism.

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED REJECT.

See #353 and #202

Cl 55 SC 55.1.3 P183 L3 # 357  
Ganga, Ilango Intel Corporation

Comment Type ER Comment Status D

As per style manual 16.3, a note to a figure is informative and a footnote to a figure is normative. So change this not to a footnote as applicable

*SuggestedRemedy*

Check notes to figures and tables and change to guidelines in style manual if applicable

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED REJECT.

This comment makes sense, but in the opinion of this editor the text is informative text.

This should be discussed in the taskforce as the same issue affects other diagrams in the draft.

Cl 55 SC 55.1.3.3 P184 L10 # 358  
Ganga, Ilango Intel Corporation

Comment Type E Comment Status D

Change sentence as follows "A 10GBASE-T PHY may optionally support EEE capability"

*SuggestedRemedy*

As per comment

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

"A 10GBASE-T PHY may optionally support the EEE capability." seems better than either option.

Cl 55 SC 55.4.2.5.15 P209 L42 # 359  
Ganga, Ilango Intel Corporation

Comment Type TR Comment Status D

The effect Clause 55 Fast Retrain on the Reconciliation Sublayer & MAC is unclear. Fast Retrain mechanism should be specified in a such a way that it does not indicate link down/link failure to the higher layers and also does not cause any data loss (that may cause packet drops). When the PHY Control State Diagram exits the PCS Data state to enter PMA\_INIT\_FR, it is unclear what action the PHY will take with respect to the XGMII path to the MAC. If PHY sends Local Fault up to the XGMII (i.e., if block\_lock is lost, forcing the Local Fault ordered set) then the MAC will see this as a loss of link and this will be very disruptive to the System. The Fast Retrain mechanism is 'fast' enough to allow for recovery without sending alarms to higher functions. However, if the fast retrain is not signaled to the MAC, then the MAC may continue to send data that will be lost. It is also undesirable to drop 30msec of data without notification.

*SuggestedRemedy*

Fast Retrain mechanism should be specified in such a way that it does not cause a Local Fault (or signal link down to higher layers). The mechanism should also prevent the MAC from transmitting data during the retrain period to avoid any data loss or packet drops.

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED REJECT.

It is not clear what change(s) the commentor is requesting.

To higher layers fast retrain looks the same as a normal retrain (except it is much faster and therefore reduces packet loss during retrain events).

While it is undesirable to drop 30ms of data, the alternative is to drop 2s of data during a normal retrain.

Cl 55 SC 55 P201 L2 # 360  
Bennett, Michael Lawrence Berkeley Na

Comment Type T Comment Status D

Submitted on behalf of Michael Grimwood. It is possible for the PCS 64B/65B transmit state diagram to encode LP\_IDLE but not transition into TX\_L, resulting in the transmitter and receiver being out-of-sync. This can occur during PCS\_Test when loc\_lpi\_en is false and the transmitter encodes tx\_raw of type LI resulting in the receiver decoding rx\_raw of type LI.

*SuggestedRemedy*

In Figure 55-15, add a transition into TX\_INIT conditioned on the PHY Control state diagram not being in state PCS\_Data. Eliminate all dependence on the variable loc\_lpi\_en. In Figure 55-16, add a transition into RX\_INIT conditioned on the PHY Control state diagram not being in state PCS\_Data. A presentation will be submitted showing the required changes to Figures 55-15 and 55-16.

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Pending review of the presentation. The suggested remedy fixes the problem.

Cl 55 SC 55 P183 L22 # 361  
Bennett, Michael Lawrence Berkeley Na

Comment Type T Comment Status D

Submitted on behalf of Michael Grimwood. loc\_lpi\_en is used to signal from the PMA to the PCS that the PHY Control state diagram is in PCS\_Test. This can be generalized to communicate when the PHY Control is in PCS\_Data in order to hold the PCS state diagrams in INIT when not in PCS\_Data. Replace loc\_lpi\_en with the variable, pcs\_data\_mode, and the primitive PMA\_LOCLPIEN with PMA\_PCSDATAMODE.

*SuggestedRemedy*

A presentation will be submitted showing the required detailed changes to the text and state diagrams 55-15 and 55-24.

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

Pending review of presentation. Loc\_lpi\_en does not function as intended.

See #360

## Proposed responses

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CI 55 SC 55 P205 L3 # 362  
 Bennett, Michael Lawrence Berkeley Na

Comment Type T Comment Status D

55.3.5.4 The EEE transmit state diagram conflicts with the fast retrain state diagram. The fast retrain state diagram should take precedence. This can be resolved by holding the EEE transmit state diagram in state TX\_NORMAL when a fast retrain is occurring.

## SuggestedRemedy

Change the condition to enter state TX\_NORMAL from pcs\_reset to (pcs\_reset + !pcs\_data\_mode).

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED REJECT.

It is not clear how the state machines conflict.

During a fast retrain the RS/MAC sees remote fault from the PHY. This forces the RS/MAC to send local fault to the PHY, which forces the EEE transmit machine to return to TX\_NORMAL within a few microseconds (<< 30ms for fast retrain)

CI 55 SC 55 P201 L2 # 363  
 Bennett, Michael Lawrence Berkeley Na

Comment Type T Comment Status D

Submitted on behalf of Michael Grimwood. 55.3.5.4 The expected behavior of the PCS 64/65B Transmit state diagram during fast retraining is not clear. Propose to hold the diagram in TX\_INIT when a fast retrain is occurring.

## SuggestedRemedy

In Figure 55-15, change the condition to enter state TX\_INIT from pcs\_reset to (pcs\_reset + !pcs\_data\_mode). Note that this has a common resolution with an issue in which the transmit and receive PCS state diagrams can get out of sync.

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED REJECT.

The behaviour of the PCS 64B/65B tx state machine during a fast retrain is no different from the behaviour during a normal retrain.

The issue may require some discussion in the task force.

The suggested remedy cleans up the state machines somewhat, but is an 'improvement' to the base standard.

See also #362

CI 55 SC 55 P194 L9 # 364  
 Bennett, Michael Lawrence Berkeley Na

Comment Type T Comment Status D

Submitted on behalf of Michael Grimwood. Clarify that the transition to PCS\_Test serves as the fixed timing reference for LPI refresh signaling in fast retraining (as well as initial training and normal retraining).

## SuggestedRemedy

In Section 55.3.4a.1, page 194 line 9 Change: "As in training without the EEE capability, the master and slave signal when they will transition to PCS\_Test using the transition counter following the procedure described in 55.4.2.5.14." To: " In initial training, normal retraining, and fast retraining, with or without the EEE capability being supported, the master and slave signal when they will transition to PCS\_Test using the transition counter following the procedure described in 55.4.2.5.14."

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT.

CI 55 SC 55 P209 L46 # 365  
 Bennett, Michael Lawrence Berkeley Na

Comment Type T Comment Status D

Submitted on behalf of Michael Grimwood. In initial training the THP is turned off at the beginning of state PMA\_Coeff\_Exch. During PCS\_Data, the THP is on. During a fast retrain in PMA\_Coeff\_Exch, is the THP on or off?

## SuggestedRemedy

Change: "After completing the link failure signal the PHY shall transition to the PMA\_Coeff\_Exch state and send PAM2 signaling within a time period equivalent to 9 LDPC frame periods ." To: "After completing the link failure signal the PHY shall transition to the PMA\_Coeff\_Exch state, keep its THP turned on with its previously-exchanged coefficients, and send PAM2 signaling within a time period equivalent to 9 LDPC frame periods."

Proposed Response Response Status W

PROPOSED ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE.

See response to #244. The thp is off.

CI 55 SC 55 P209 L52 # 366  
Bennett, Michael Lawrence Berkeley Na

Comment Type T Comment Status D

Submitted on behalf of Michael Grimwood. LPI uses a training sequence based on scramblers that are free running from PCS Reset or if scrambler re-initialization is used for initial training, from PCS\_Test. In order to ensure that fast retraining is compatible with LPI, the scrambler should not be re-initialized by fast retraining events. To accomplish this, constrain fast retraining to use a training sequence without periodic re-initialization and establish that it be free running from PCS reset or from the first entry to PCS\_Test if scrambler re-initialization is used for initial training. (similar to the specifications for LPI).

*SuggestedRemedy*

Add this paragraph after line 52: The PAM2 symbols are generated using the PMA side-stream scrambler polynomials shown in Figure 55-13. The training sequence without periodic re-initialization described in 55.3.4 shall be used during fast retraining, with the scramblers free-running from PCS Reset. If scrambler re-initialization is used for initial training, it shall be disabled and the scramblers shall begin free-running when the PHY Control state diagram enters the PCS\_Test state and the variable fr\_active is FALSE.

Proposed Response Response Status W  
PROPOSED ACCEPT.

CI 45 SC 45 P115 L48 # 367  
Bennett, Michael Lawrence Berkeley Na

Comment Type T Comment Status D

Submitted on behalf of Michael Grimwood. The fast retrain status and control register (1.147) is in the PMA and should be reset by PMA reset, not PCS reset.

*SuggestedRemedy*

Change: "These bits shall be reset to all zeros when read or upon execution of the PCS reset." To: "These bits shall be reset to all zeros when read or upon execution of the PMA reset."

Proposed Response Response Status W  
PROPOSED ACCEPT.

CI 45 SC 45 P116 L4 # 368  
Bennett, Michael Lawrence Berkeley Na

Comment Type T Comment Status D

Submitted on behalf of Michael Grimwood. The fast retrain status and control register (1.147) is in the PMA and should be reset by PMA reset, not PCS reset.

*SuggestedRemedy*

Change: "These bits shall be reset to all zeros when read or upon execution of the PCS reset." To: "These bits shall be reset to all zeros when read or upon execution of the PMA reset."

Proposed Response Response Status W  
PROPOSED ACCEPT.

CI 55 SC 55 P209 L # 369  
Bennett, Michael Lawrence Berkeley Na

Comment Type T Comment Status D

Submitted on behalf of Paul Langner Paul.Langner@aquantia.com Currently the IEEE fast-retrain mechanism being proposed does not implement a mechanism to inform the MAC that the link is temporarily unavailable. As a result, the MAC will continue to send data during a fast-retrain (for up to 30 ms). This data will all be lost. In order to prevent this from occurring, a mechanism is needed to inform the MAC that the link is temporarily unavailable, so that the data will not be lost, and can be buffered until the link is available.

*SuggestedRemedy*

Create a control code (similar to Local Fault) that indicates that the link is temporarily unavailable, and this control code would be sent continuously to the MAC until the retrain is completed.

Proposed Response Response Status W  
PROPOSED REJECT.

The creation of a new control code is out of the scope of clause 55.

During the fast retrain local fault will be sent to the RS/MAC, the same as during a normal retrain.

The mechanism for fast retrain is no different from the normal retrain (just faster).