

Ballot results of P802.1ag Draft 5.2

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Protocol Data Unit Changes

- MAID limited to 48 octets.
- CCM limited to 128 octets.
- Time stamps removed from CCM, replaced by a 16-octet field for use by ITU-T Y.1731, with its contents indicated by a TBD encoding in the Flags field.

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Terminology changes

- MA Level is a characteristic of the Maintenance Domain, not the Maintenance Association, hence will be called an "MD Level".
- We will live with the P802.1ag "MD Level" versus the Q5/13 "MEG Level" difference in terminology.

• Protocol operation issues

- Terminal CCM deleted.
- Only CFM messages processed by a MIP or MEP will be fully validated.
- A higher-priority defect will trigger an additional Fault Alarm after a lower-priority defect has triggered a first Fault Alarm.
- No payload loopback capability will be added to P802.1ag.

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Specification issues

- Figures 19-8 and 19-9, specifying the operation of the MEP and MHF, will be simplified and corrected.
- State machines for LBM generation and LTM generation will be greatly simplified.
- Default configuration values will be defined such that an out-of-the-box bridge will have Linktrace and Loopback capabilities.
- Support for multiple VIDs per Service Instance must be defined.
- MIP CCM Database will be properly defined.

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- Other changes
 - All remaining boilerplate subclauses will be completed.
 - The positioning of MHFs, either adjacent or on opposite sides of the bridge, will be better documented.
 - Three-layer Customer/Provider/Operator division of MD Levels will be moved to nonnormative clause.

Issues held over to D6.0

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There are still questions about whether the CCM and LTM can or cannot have unicast destination MAC addresses.

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