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

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Proposed Rule Change

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

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

Proposed Text

5.1.4.2.2 Voting by Letter Ballots

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

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