

***Call for Contributions on
Mergers and Consolidation
IEEE Project 802.16a***

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The IEEE 802.16 Working Group on Broadband Wireless Access is developing, under Project 802.16a, a “Draft Amendment to IEEE Standard for Local and Metropolitan Area Networks – Part 16: Air Interface for Fixed Broadband Wireless Access Systems – Medium Access Control Modifications and Additional Physical Layer Specifications for 2-11 GHz.”

This Call for Contributions solicits innovative ideas on how to merge, consolidate, unify, integrate, harmonize, or rationalize the various modes of a previous draft (IEEE P802.16a/D3), which includes several different and incompatible modes of operation. Rationalization with the base standard (IEEE Std 802.16) can also be considered. Methods to allow interoperability of the base station with various versions of subscriber station, or suggestions to link together certain options into specific configurations and thereby reduce option multiplication, are welcome.

The intent is to create a new Draft 4 at Session #19 from elements of the current Draft, revised as necessary. It is intended that, at the conclusion of Session #19, this new Draft would be approved for submission to Working Group Letter Ballot, where it would be subject to Working Group member review and comment.

Contributions should be detailed and pointed. In particular, they should describe the impact of the proposal on the various operating modes and on the document as a whole. Wherever possible, specific subclauses in Draft 3 should be identified, by number, for revision or inclusion in Draft 4. To aid in this process, the Draft 3 Table of Contents is available in editable format:

http://WirelessMAN.org/tga/docs/P80216a_D3_ToC.doc.

Detailed change proposals may also be itemized in *Commentary* format.

Joint contributions from participants representing a wide variety of views will be particularly appreciated.

Contributions will be considered non-confidential and will be posted for public access on the 802.16 Web Site <http://WirelessMAN.org>.

Submit your contribution by the **deadline of 15 May 2002** following the instructions at <http://WirelessMAN.org/submit.html>.

To facilitate discussion, use of the Working Group e-mail reflector is encouraged:
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