3RD GENERATION PARTNERSHIP PROJECT 2 "3GPP2"

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Re: Response to 27 January 2005 Liaison

Dear Mr. Marks,

3GPP2 TSG-S is pleased to hear that IEEE 802.16 is investigating the use of the 3GPP Integration Reference Point (IRP) methodology. For the purpose of Management Interface development this Interface Methodology was developed to promote the wider adoption of standardized Management interfaces in telecommunication networks. The IRP methodology employs Protocol & Technology Neutral modeling methods as well as protocol specific solution sets to help achieve its goals. The IRP is a methodology to aid in a modular approach to the development of standards interfaces. 3GPP2 TSG-S has found this methodology to be very useful in the development of interoperable management system specifications. 3GPP2 is happy to answer any questions that you may have concerning this methodology, and on already available specified solutions.

In your liaison, additional information was requested concerning policy agreements about 3GPP2 reuse of 3GPP copyrighted material and intellectual property policy. For network management specifications, 3GPP2 references 3GPP documents and avoids the copying of material into our specifications. 3GPP2 considers this method to be most effective and urges IEEE 802.16 to use the same approach. The 3GPP2 uses 3GPP specifications for reference as they are available on a publicly accessible website. An example of how these specifications are structured was enclosed with our last liaison.

On rare occasions 3GPP2 TSG-S WG5 has copied material from 3GPP into a specification. 3GPP2 has requested and received permission from 3GPP through their process guidelines, to reproduce and use 3GPP's specifications. The development process of delta specifications is enhanced by close cooperation between 3GPP and 3GPP2. The nature of this cooperation generally is handled through liaisons and occasional informal meetings.

In regards to any intellectual property agreements, 3GPP2 TSG-S is unaware of any formal agreements and is referring both of your questions to our Steering Committee and Secretariat's office for action and response.

Thank you,

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