

IEEE P802.3bc Ethernet Organizationally Specific type, length, values (TLVs) Procedure for Conditional Approval to Forward a Draft Standard report

The following is the Clause 13 'Procedure for Conditional Approval to Forward a Draft Standard' report for IEEE P802.3bc Ethernet Organizationally Specific type, length, values (TLVs) which received conditional approval to proceed to sponsor ballot at the March 2009 IEEE 802 Plenary meeting.

a) Recirculation ballot is completed. Generally, the recirculation ballot and resolution should occur in accordance with the schedule presented at the time of conditional approval.

Recirculation balloting is complete.

The schedule presented to March 2009 closing IEEE 802 EC meeting when requesting conditional approval was:

Draft 2.1 of IEEE P802.3bc will begin a recirculation ballot on or before 10th April 2009
Recirculation will close no later than 27th April 2009 AOE.
Comment resolution to be conducted between 29th April and 1st May 2009.

BALLOT OPEN: Friday, 3rd April 2009
BALLOT CLOSE: Friday, 18th April 2009 11:59PM AOE

A complete set of comment resolution responses were generated and accepted at the IEEE P802.3bc April interim as planned. All comments received during the recirculation ballot of Draft D2.1, that closed 18th April 2009, were considered.

A draft D2.2 was generated and I determined that a recirculation was required. The schedule for that recirculation was as follows:

BALLOT OPEN: Wednesday, 13th May 2009
BALLOT CLOSE: Wednesday, 27th May 2009 11:59PM AOE

A complete set of comment resolution responses were generated and accepted at the IEEE P802.3bc June interim as planned. All comments received during the recirculation ballot of Draft D2.2, that closed 27th May 2009, were considered.

The recirculation balloting is complete. The first recirculation ballot and comment resolution occurred essentially in accordance of the plan presented. A second recirculation was however required that was not present in the plan presented in March.

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b) After resolution of the recirculation ballot is completed, the approval percentage is at least 75% and there are no new DISAPPROVE votes.

The ballot results after resolution are:

Voters:	244
Approve:	126
Disapprove:	4
Abstain:	35
Returns:	168
Response Rate:	68.85%
Approval Rate:	96.92%

The approval rate after resolution of the ballot is greater than 75% and there were no new negative DISAPPROVES votes.

c) No technical changes, as determined by the WG Chair, were made as a result of the recirculation ballot.

The following editorial changes have been made to the draft. [1] update draft number to D3.0, [2] update draft date to June 2nd 2009, [3] update front matter to state the draft is for sponsor ballot, [4] update the front matter as suggested by IEEE Editorial Staff, [5] correct three instances of ‘..of a IEEE ..’ to read ‘.. of an IEEE ..’ and [6] correct two instances of ‘..supports the ..’ to read ‘.. supports ..’.

No technical changes have been made.

d) No new valid DISAPPROVE comments on new issues that are not resolved to the satisfaction of the submitter from existing DISAPPROVE voters.

There were no new valid DISAPPROVE comments.

e) If the WG Chair determines that there is a new invalid DISAPPROVE comment or vote, the WG Chair shall promptly provide details to the EC.

One Technical Required comments was received from an existing DISAPPROVE voter. This comment is draft D2.1 comment #4. A verbatim copy of the comment and the detail ruling of the Chair is provided below.

Despite the comment being ruled invalid the substance of the comment was discussed during the comment resolution meeting. It did bring to light an issue related to a mismatch between values that were assigned by the IETF versus values that were supplied in IEEE 802.3 for that purpose. This was brought to light during an examination of the MAUType values.

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Draft D2.1 comment #4:

<i>Cl</i> 30	<i>SC</i> 30.12.2.1.4	<i>P</i> 17	<i>L</i> 8	<i>#</i> 4
Geoff Thompson		GraCaSI		
<i>Comment Type</i>	TR	<i>Comment Status</i>	R	
The reference for the numerical value of MauType is not appropriate for our standard in that an obsolete reference is used. All the worse, that reference is actually derived from date in the 802.3 standard. (I have not examined the rest of the draft but I assume that this is a problem throughout the draft.) Use of an external reference for identification of something that we provide a reference to in our own standard will be endlessly confusing.				
<i>SuggestedRemedy</i>				
Replace the external reference with a reference to the equivalent defining value within 802.3. Those values would be currently found in Annex 30B on pages 733-735.				
<i>Response</i>		<i>Response Status</i>	U	
REJECT.				
This comment was received after the ballot had closed. This comment is out of scope as it does not relate to changed portions of the balloted draft, portions of the balloted draft affected by the changes, or portions of the balloted document that are the subject of unresolved comments associated with negative votes.				

The WG chair rules that D2.1 comment #4 is a new invalid DISAPPROVE comment.