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Re:	IEEE 802.161-00/01 < http://ieee802.org/16/liaison/docs/802161-00_01.pdf >	
Abstract	This letter replies to an earlier ETSI WG-TM4 letter. It appoints a reciprocal liaison to ETSI WG-TM4, overviews the 802.16.2 broadband wireless access coexistence effort, and discusses the sharing of documents.	
Purpose	To further the coordination between 802.16 and ETSI WG-TM4 with the intent drafting globally applicable standards and recommended practice documents.	
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Dear Dr. Macchi:

On behalf of IEEE 802.16, I thank you for your recent letter <http://ieee802.org/16/liaison/docs/80216l-00_01.pdf> and your proposal for cooperation with ETSI WG-TM4. I acknowledge and appreciate your appointment of Mr. Barry Lewis as liaison officer to represent TM4 to 802.16. Reciprocally, 802.16 has named Ms. Marianna Goldhammer to serve as our liaison to TM4. I concur with your hope that this arrangement will encourage an exchange of ideas and draft documents as appropriate to help forge a common approach to coexistence issues for broadband wireless access.

Thank you for updating us on your work program. Our related work takes place within our Coexistence Task Group, responsible for the development of the Recommended Practice 802.16.2. This project will provide guidelines for minimizing interference in broadband wireless access systems. Its recommended engineering practices will provide guidance for system design, deployment, coordination, and frequency usage. The output document will cover 10-66 GHz generally but will focus on 20-40 GHz. The scope of the project is defined in IEEE Standards Association Project Authorization Request (PAR) 802.16.2, which you may find on-line <<http://ieee802.org/16/coexistence/par.html>>. The Chair of 802.16.2 is Mr. J. Leland Langston <<mailto:j-langston2@raytheon.com>>, whom I request you copy on all correspondence with us regarding 802.16.2.

At the moment, virtually all of 802.16's work is openly available on the World Wide Web <<http://ieee802.org/16>>. The work of 802.16.2 is documented at <<http://ieee802.org/16/coexistence>>.

I appreciate your offer to facilitate the spirit of the ETSI agreement with the IEEE Standards Association (IEEE-SA) by making appropriate relevant draft and working documents available to IEEE 802.16 members. Regarding your comments that "these ETSI documents should be reserved only to IEEE members, as foreseen in the IEEE ETSI co-operation agreement," I'd like to add a brief clarification. Namely, the agreement refers to members of the IEEE Standards Association, not to the 350,000 members of IEEE. However, the membership of the IEEE-SA is also large and diverse and does not require access to TM4 documents. The more appropriate membership body is the one you mentioned

earlier: the members of IEEE 802.16. We can and do restrict documents to 802.16 members by use of a password-protected web site. We will be happy to honor your request and restrict to this confidential site any documents that you provide with specific notification of the confidentiality request. Please note that we do not monitor IEEE-SA membership among 802.16 members.

As to a reciprocal arrangement, most of our documents are readily available. I do note, though, that IEEE-SA requires a copyright on our draft standards. Though no such draft is yet available, we do need to anticipate it. I am confident that we can make arrangements to provide TM4 members with access to these drafts.

I would recommend that the details of document exchange be developed by and handled by our two liaisons.

As 802.16 considers enhancing its relationship with the ETSI BRAN project, I hope that we are also able to develop and maintain a productive relationship with ETSI TM4.

Sincerely,

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