Working Group Review
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The IEEE 802.16 Working Group on Broadband Wireless Access is currently defining the PHY and MAC layers for a broadband wireless access network specification for frequencies from 2-11 GHz. This work will be published as amendments 802.16a/802.16b to the IEEE 802.16 Air Interface for Fixed Broadband Wireless Access Systems, which covers 10-66 GHz and is scheduled for finalization in October 2001.

At its Session #16 (12-16 November 2001 in Austin, Texas, USA), IEEE 802.16 plans to adopt a draft of a combined 802.16a/802.16b amendment and submit that draft to a Working Group Letter Ballot. In preparation, the Working Group seeks to refine its current Working Document (IEEE 802.16ab-01/01r2). This Working Group Review invites comments for consideration at Session #16.

Following the comment submission deadline of 19 October, a comment report will be issued and a two-week "reply comment" period will begin, during which responses to the comments will be collected. These reply comments will be posted one week before Session #16. The creator of each original comment will be offered the opportunity to generate a draft comment resolution and to lead the resolution at Session #16. Late comments, if accepted at all, will not be subject to the reply-comment process, will not grant the commenter any status in the comment resolution process, and will be considered only after resolution of all timely submissions.

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- In "Letter Ballot Number," enter "802.16ab Review". *The "Vote" field will be ignored*.
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- Be thorough and concise. Comments must identify specific problems and should propose specific changes to correct them.
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