

The working group met on Monday, April 26, at 8:00AM. This is the twelfth meeting of the working group.

Patents:

IEEE-SA rules on Patents were reviewed prior to further discussions. The introductory slide, and slides #1 through #5 of the IEEE-SA Patents Slide Set dated 25-March-2008 were shown. The WG attendees were advised:

- The IEEE's patent policy is consistent with the ANSI patent policy and is described in Clause 6 of the IEEE-SA Standards Board Bylaws;
- Early identification of patent claims which may be essential for the use of standards under development is encouraged;
- There may be Essential Patent Claims of which the IEEE is not aware. Additionally, neither the IEEE, the WG, nor the WG chair can ensure the accuracy or completeness of any assurance or whether any such assurance is, in fact, of a Patent Claim that is essential for the use of the standard under development.

The participants were provided an opportunity to identify patent claim(s)/patent application claim(s) and/or the holder of patent claim(s)/patent application claim(s) that the participant believes may be essential for the use of the standard which will result from the activity of the WG.

No responses were received during the meeting regarding patent claim(s)/patent application claim(s) and/or the holder of the patent claim(s)/patent application claim(s) that were identified (if any) and by whom.

General:

The PAR for this project was approved by IEEE-SA in December, 2005 and is valid through 2010, having been extended in August 2009.

Attendance included 6 WG (of 11) members and 8 guests. Several members expressed their regrets and were unable to attend for family or job-related reasons.

Attendance was as follows:

Members: J. Mizener, A. Morse, D. Edwards, D. Dunne, N. Gunderson & D. Sigmon.

Guests: H. Josten, J. Hidaka, T. Burse, M. LaFond, D. Hrncir, A. Bottarelli, A. Jivanani & C. Kennedy.

A recirculation ballot was submitted to IEEE in early March. Matt Ciglia of IEEE reviewed the draft and comment resolution and raised a couple of issues which took until shortly before the meeting to resolve. One of the issues related to comment resolution and the other pointed out the difference between the draft Scope & Purpose and those in the PAR. As a result of an oversight by the chair, the PAR revision request which was recorded in the notes from the Asheville meeting had not been submitted. This was quickly accomplished, but not in time for a recirculation ballot prior to the meeting.

In addition, although the PAR stated that the standard was "coordinated" with other standards, it was not "contingent" on other standards. Having moved some testing requirements into C37.50, this was technically no longer true. It was decided to change "coordinated" to "aligned" add the following to the PAR revision:

5.3 Is the completion of this standard dependent upon the completion of another standard: Yes

If yes please explain: Material previously contained in C37.17 is being moved into ANSI C37.50. C37.17 will not come to RevCom until C37.50 is approved.

The PAR was revised and submitted and will be reviewed by NesCom in June.

There were two major points to be discussed:

- Move the remaining clause on testing, 10.2 EMC Testing, into C37.50 & .14.
- Adopt language allowing the manufacturer to choose between UL489 Supplement SE and IEEE Std. 1012 for the purpose of software validation.

Both points were accepted by the members present and D9 was finalized and will be submitted for recirculation.

The meeting adjourned at 8:20AM.

Report submitted by:

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