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| Response | To call for contributions |
| Abstract | This document contains the channel models to evaluate proposals. |
| Purpose | For contributions to P802.15.6a |
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**P802.15.6**

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**Project Request Type:** Initiation / Revision

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**Root Project:** 802.15.6-2012

* 1. **Project Number:** P802.15.6
	2. **Type of Document:** Standard
	3. **Life Cycle:** Full Use

**2.1 Project Title:** Standard for Local and metropolitan area networks - Part 15.6: Wireless Body Area Networks

**Change to Title:** ~~IEEE~~ Standard for Local and metropolitan area networks - Part 15.6: Wireless Body Area Networks

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* 1. **Type of Ballot:** Individual

## Expected Date of submission of draft to the IEEE SA for Initial Standards Committee Ballot:

Jul 2024

## Projected Completion Date for Submittal to RevCom: Mar 2026

* 1. **Approximate number of people expected to be actively involved in the development of this project:** 12
	2. **Scope of proposed standard:** ~~This is a standard for short-range, wireless communication in the vicinity of, or inside, a human body (but not limited to humans). It uses existing industrial scientific medical (ISM) bands as well as frequency bands approved by national medical and/or regulatory authorities. Support for quality of service (QoS), extremely low power, and data rates up to 10 Mb/s is required while simultaneously complying with strict noninterference guidelines where needed. This standard considers effects on portable antennas due to the presence of a person (varying with male, female, skinny, heavy, etc.), radiation pattern shaping to minimize specific absorption rate (SAR) into the body, and changes in characteristics as a result of the user motions.~~

~~The standard improves the Ultra-Wideband (UWB) physical layer (PHY) and medium access control (MAC) to support enhanced dependability to human body area networks (HBAN). It incorporates support for vehicle body area networks (VBAN). VBAN consists of a coordinator in a vehicle with devices around the vehicle, operating under strict compliance to standards and limits for electromagnetic compatibility (EMC) and electromagnetic interference (EMI). Enhancements to dependability include coexistence of multiple piconets including inter-BAN interference and inter-piconets interference; simple and more reliable MAC protocol; sensing and feedback control loop delay; protection against interference in dense use cases with overlaid BANs and other piconets; support of higher performance requirement of reliability, security, coexistence, and efficiency in the operation and maintenance of HBAN and VBAN. The standard incorporates support for infrastructure protocols via an~~

~~access point. The amendment provides safeguards so that high throughput data use cases will not cause significant disruption to low duty-cycle ranging use cases.~~

The standard defines short-range, wireless communication in the vicinity of, or inside, a human body (but not limited to humans) using the Ultra-Wideband (UWB) and narrow-band physical layer (PHY) and medium access control (MAC) to support enhanced dependability to human body area networks (HBAN) in the industrial scientific medical (ISM) bands as well as frequency bands approved by national medical and regulatory authorities. The standard supports quality of service (QoS) and data rates up to 50 Mb/s and incorporates support for vehicle body area networks (VBAN).

The standard specifies the coexistence of multiple piconets, including inter-BAN interference and inter- piconets interference; simple MAC protocol; and sensing and feedback control loop delay.

**Change to scope of proposed standard:** This is a standard for short-range, wireless communication in the vicinity of, or inside, a human body (but not limited to humans). It uses existing industrial scientific medical (ISM) bands as well as frequency bands approved by national medical and/or regulatory authorities. Support for quality of service (QoS), extremely low power, and data rates up to 10 ~~Mbps~~ Mb/s is required while simultaneously complying with strict noninterference guidelines where needed. This standard considers effects on portable antennas due to the presence of a person (varying with male, female, skinny, heavy, etc.), radiation pattern shaping to minimize specific absorption rate (SAR) into the body, and changes in characteristics as a result of the user motions. The standard improves the Ultra-Wideband (UWB) physical layer (PHY) and medium access control (MAC) to support enhanced dependability to human body area networks (HBAN). It incorporates support for vehicle body area networks (VBAN). VBAN consists of a coordinator in a vehicle with devices around the vehicle, operating under strict compliance to standards and limits for electromagnetic compatibility (EMC) and electromagnetic interference (EMI). Enhancements to dependability include coexistence of multiple piconets including inter-BAN interference and inter-piconets interference; simple and more reliable MAC protocol; sensing and feedback control loop delay; protection against interference in dense use cases with overlaid BANs and other piconets; support of higher performance requirement of reliability, security, coexistence, and efficiency in the operation and maintenance of HBAN and VBAN. The standard incorporates support for infrastructure protocols via an access point. The amendment provides safeguards so that high throughput data use cases will not cause significant disruption to low duty-cycle ranging use cases.

## Is the completion of this standard contingent upon the completion of another standard? No

* 1. **Purpose:** ~~The purpose is to provide an international standard for a short range, low power and highly reliable wireless communication for use in proximity to, or inside, a human body and/or a vehicle body. Data rates can be offered to satisfy an evolutionary set of entertainment and healthcare services.~~

To provide an international standard for short-range, low power consumption, and highly reliable wireless communication for use in proximity to, or inside, a human body and a vehicle body. Data rates satisfy an evolutionary set of entertainment and healthcare services.

~~Current piconets do not meet the medical (proximity to human tissue) and relevant communication regulations for some application environments. They also do not support the combination of reliability (QoS), low power, data rate and noninterference required to broadly address the breadth of body area network applications. Additionally, this standard provides enhanced dependability that is required for some medical use cases. This includes remote medical healthcare, therapy and other monitoring that can enhance quality of life (QoL) in various population segments.~~

**Change to Purpose:** The purpose is to provide an international standard for a short ~~-range (i.e., about human body~~ range ~~)~~ , low power ~~,~~ and highly reliable wireless communication for use in ~~close~~ proximity to, or inside, a human body ~~. Data~~ and/or ~~rates,~~ a ~~typically~~ vehicle ~~up~~ body. ~~to~~ Data ~~10Mbps,~~ rates can be offered to satisfy an evolutionary set of entertainment and healthcare services. Current ~~personal area networks (PANs)~~ piconets do not meet the medical (proximity to human tissue) and relevant communication regulations for some application environments. They also do not support the combination of reliability ~~,~~ ( QoS ) , low power, data rate ~~,~~ and noninterference required to broadly address the breadth of body area network applications. Additionally, this standard provides enhanced dependability that is required for some medical use cases. This includes remote medical healthcare, therapy and other monitoring that can enhance quality of life ( ~~BAN~~ QoL ) ~~applications~~ in various population segments .

* 1. **Need for the Project:** This project provides dependability against interference and contention in ~~such~~ critical use cases as overlaid with the same and different piconets. Current piconets do not meet the medical (proximity to human tissue) and relevant communication regulations for some application environments. They also do not support the combination of reliability (QoS), low power consumption, data rate, and interference protection required to address the wide range of body area network applications. Additionally,

this standard provides dependability for medical use cases. That includes remote medical healthcare, therapy, and other monitoring that enhances the quality of life (QoL) in various population segments.

~~Focus use cases: multiple BANs, where user’s devices cross each other among different BANs within range. Multiple piconets, where narrowband and wideband devices cross each other within the same coverage range. Interference management among BANs.~~

Focus use cases include multiple BANs coexisting within range, multiple UWB and non-UWB piconets coexisting within range, and interference management among BANs.

~~This amendment for enhanced dependability supports automotive use (vehicular body area network) with primary medical use for a human body and additionally non-medical use with common enhanced dependability. This amendment helps remote medical healthcare monitoring and therapy to combat (Covid- 19) pandemic and to support QoL in aging population and people with medical conditions.~~

The standard supports automotive use (vehicular body area network) with primary medical use cases and optional non-medical use cases with high dependability.

The standard assists remote medical healthcare monitoring and therapy to combat the coronavirus disease 2019 (Covid-19) pandemic, and it supports QoL in the aging population and people with certain medical conditions.

**Change to Need for the Project:** ~~There is a need for a standard optimized~~ This ~~for~~ project ~~ultra~~

 provides ~~low~~ dependability ~~power~~ against ~~devices~~ interference and ~~operation on,~~ contention in ~~or around the human~~ such ~~body to~~ critical ~~serve~~ use ~~a~~ cases ~~variety~~ as ~~of~~ overlaid ~~applications~~ with

 ~~including~~ the ~~medical~~ same and /or ~~personal~~ different ~~entertainment~~ piconets . ~~Examples of the applications served by the~~ Focus ~~proposed~~ use ~~standard are~~ cases : ~~Electroencephalogram~~ multiple

 ~~(EEG)~~ BANs , ~~Electrocardiogram~~ where ~~(ECG),~~ user’s ~~Electromyography~~ devices ~~(EMG),~~ cross ~~vital~~

 each ~~signals~~ other ~~monitoring~~ among ~~(temperature (wearable thermometer),~~ different ~~respiratory,~~

 BANs ~~wearable~~ within ~~heart~~ range. ~~rate~~ Multiple ~~monitor~~ piconets , ~~wearable~~ where ~~pulse~~

 narrowband ~~oximeter,~~ and ~~wearable~~ wideband ~~blood~~ devices ~~pressure~~ cross ~~monitor,~~ each ~~oxygen,~~

 other ~~pH~~ within ~~value~~ the ~~,~~ same ~~wearable~~ coverage ~~glucose~~ range. ~~sensor,~~ Interference

 ~~implanted glucose sensor, cardiac arrhythmia), wireless~~ management ~~capsule endoscope~~ among

 ~~(gastrointestinal),~~ BANs. ~~wireless~~ This ~~capsule~~ amendment for ~~drug~~ enhanced ~~delivery, deep~~

 dependability ~~brain~~ supports ~~stimulator,~~ automotive ~~cortical stimulator~~ use ( ~~visual neuro-stimulator, audio neuro stimulator,~~ vehicular ~~Parkinson's~~ body ~~disease,~~ area ~~etc...~~ network ) ~~, remote~~ with

 ~~control of~~ primary medical ~~devices such as pacemaker, actuators, insulin pump, hearing aid (wearable and implanted), retina implants, disability assistance, such~~ use ~~as~~ for ~~muscle~~ a ~~tension~~ human

 ~~sensing~~ body and ~~stimulation, wearable weighing~~ additionally ~~scale,~~ non-medical ~~fall~~ use ~~detection,~~

 with ~~aiding~~ common ~~sport~~ enhanced ~~training~~ dependability . This ~~will~~ amendment ~~include~~ helps

 ~~body-centric~~ remote ~~solutions~~ medical ~~for~~ healthcare ~~future~~ monitoring ~~wearable~~ and ~~computers. In~~  ~~a similar vein, the same technology can provide effective solutions for personal entertainment as well.~~

~~The existence of a body area network standard will provide opportunities~~ therapy to ~~expand these product~~

 combat ~~features, better~~ Covid-19 ~~healthcare~~ pandemic and ~~well being~~ to ~~for~~ support ~~the users. It will therefore result~~ QoL in ~~economic~~ aging ~~opportunity~~ population ~~for~~ and ~~technology~~ people ~~component~~

 with ~~suppliers~~ medical ~~and equipment manufacturers~~ conditions .

* 1. **Stakeholders for the Standard:** The stakeholders include silicon vendors, manufacturers and users of telecom, medical and automotive. Manufacturers and users of environmental sensors and actuators. Consumer electronics equipment manufacturers and users of equipment involving the use of wireless sensor and control networks.

**Change to Stakeholders for the Standard:** The stakeholders include ~~the~~ silicon ~~general~~ vendors,

 ~~population~~ manufacturers ~~who~~ and ~~will~~ users of ~~be~~ telecom, ~~served~~ medical ~~by~~ and ~~advanced~~

 automotive. ~~medical~~ Manufacturers and ~~entertainment~~ users ~~options~~ of ~~enabled~~ environmental ~~by~~

 sensors ~~this~~ and ~~standard~~ actuators . Consumer ~~Other~~ electronics ~~parties~~ equipment ~~having~~

 manufacturers ~~interests~~ and ~~include~~ users ~~medical~~ of equipment ~~manufacturers~~ involving ~~and~~ the use of wireless sensor ~~consumer~~ and ~~electronics~~ control ~~manufacturers~~ networks .

## Intellectual Property

* + 1. **Is the Standards Committee aware of any copyright permissions needed for this project?**

No

## Is the Standards Committee aware of possible registration activity related to this project?

No

## Are there other standards or projects with a similar scope? No

* 1. **Is it the intent to develop this document jointly with another organization?** No

**8.1 Additional Explanatory Notes:**

VBAN consists of a coordinator in a vehicle with devices around the vehicle, operating under strict compliance to standards and limits for electromagnetic compatibility (EMC) and electromagnetic interference (EMI).