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Clarification on relay function for HR-MS over IEEE 802.16n

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1. Introduction

This document provides clarification on the multimode operation of HR-MS maintaining relay link.

2. References

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3. Proposed Text on the IEEE 802.16n Amendment Draft Standard

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[*Remedy: Change 16.1.2 Relay function for HR-MS in page 64 on P802.16n/D1 as follows:*]

16.1.2 Relay function for HR-MS

An HR-MS may operate as an HR-RS to provide connectivity for multiple out-of-coverage HR-MSs. During basic capability negotiation at network entry, an HR-MS that is capable of role change to HR-RS shall report such capability to the super-ordinate HR-BS/HR-RS.

While operating as HR-RS, the station may maintain certain HR-MS functionalities. A mode switch to HR-RS shall be commanded by its superordinate HR-BS.

16.1.2.1 Relay link establishment

To support relay function for HR-MS, HR-MS capable of relay function may establish relay link with HR-BS.

An HR-MS acting as HR-RS is operated in either TTR mode or STR mode and its relay mode is determined by HR-BS.

To request subordinate HR-MS to change its role as HR-RS, HR-BS transmits MM-RS-REQ message described in 6.3.2.3.98.5 including relay mode (i.e., either TTR or STR mode).

In response to MM-RS-REQ, the HR-MS transmits MM-RS-RSP message described in 6.3.2.3.98.6.

To establish relay link with an HR-BS, HR-MS having a role as HR-RS transmits MM-RS-REQ message described in 6.3.2.3.98.5 including relay mode, i.e., either TTR or STR mode. In response to MM-RS-REQ, the serving HR-BS transmits MM-RS-RSP message described in 6.3.2.3.98.6 to inform whether the request is accepted or rejected. Upon receiving the MM-RS-RSP message, the HR-MS starts establishing the relay link with serving HR-BS immediately or retransmits MM-RS-REQ message at the action time expires. If the serving HR-BS rejects the request, the serving HR-BS informs the HR-MS the rejection of the request. Upon receiving the MM-RS-RSP message with rejection information, the HR-MS either tries to establish relay link with another HR-BS or follows base station function described in 16.1.3.

During establishing relay link, HR-BS transmits RS_Config-CMD message described in 6.3.2.3.63 to configure the operation parameters of HR-RS.

To support handover as a part of robustness against SPOF as described in 16.7, an indication of whether MAC context information of the subordinate HR-MS is being shared by infrastructure stations shall be transmitted to HR-MS.

16.1.2.2 Relay link configuration

While HR-MS is acting as relay mode, the superordinate HR-BS may send an RCD message to configure the Relay operation parameters as specified in 6.3.9.18. The HR-BS also shall send RS-Config-CMD message in the DL relay zone when PHY layer parameter needs to be reconfigured.

While an HR-MS operating as HR-BS, any communication is performing with superordinate HR-BS in DL/UL relay zone to maintain HR-MS functionalities.

HR-MS acting as relay mode may transmit MM-ADV message described in to update PHY/MAC layer parameter after receiving RCD or RS-Config-CMD message.

16.1.2.3 Relay link release

An HR-MS acting as RS may end its relay service and remove the relay link from the HR-BS. During the HR-MS' relay mode release process, all subordinate HR-MSs of the HR-MS acting as RS shall be transferred to another infrastructure station prior to HR-MS' relay mode release. The HR-MS acting as RS prevents HR-MS (re)entry and transmits MM-ADV message to transfer all subordinate HR-MSs to another infrastructure station. An HR-MS acting as RS may transmit an MM-RL-REQ message described in 6.3.2.3.98.7 in UL relay zone to an HR-BS so that it initiates the release procedure and requests handover of all its subordinate HR-MSs. Upon receiving the MM-RL-REQ message, the HR-BS decides whether it allows the HR-MS' relay mode release. If the request is accepted, the HR-BS may transmit the MM-RL-RSP message described in 6.3.2.3.98.8 in DL relay zone to inform the acceptance and start BS-initiated handover process for the requested HR-MSs. After handover procedures between the HR-BS and HR-MS acting as RS' subordinate HR-MSs are completed, the HR-BS informs the HR-MS acting as RS that handover is completed by transmitting an MM-RL-RSP message in DL relay zone. Upon receiving the MM-RL-RSP message, the HR-MS acting as RS starts relay mode release process immediately or at action time expires. If the HR-BS rejects the request, the HR-BS informs the HR-MS acting as RS the rejection of the request by transmitting the MM-RL-RSP message in DL relay zone. Upon receiving the MM-RL-RSP message with rejection information, the HR-MS acting as RS continues operating in relay mode. After action time expires, the HR-MS acting as RS retransmits an MM-RL-REQ message in UL relay zone to the HR-BS.

The mode release process may be initiated by an HR-BS through transmitting an unsolicited MM-RL-RSP message in DL relay zone.

After mode release process, all the relay-related connections and resource are released between the HR-BS and the HR-MS.

If the HR-MS receives the request of relay link release from the serving HR-BS, the HR-BS either tries to establish relay link with another HR-BS as described in 16.1.2.1 or follows base station function described in 16.1.3.

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