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PAR comments from Paul Nikolich, 802 Chair

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1. Proposed PAR P802.16q
   1. 5.2.b. Scope of the project: This amendment specifies mechanisms for cooperation among base stations in **multi-tier networks** to enhance interference mitigation, mobility management, and base station power management. The applicable management entities are amended.  
        
      The term “multi-tier networks” is used in several places in the PAR and 5 criteria, but it is never defined. In my mind it is an ambiguous term, that needs definition. Only after sitting through Harry Bim’s presentation at the tutorial last night, I think I understand what is meant by “multi-tier networks”, but am not 100% sure, therefore cannot offer a suggested definition, therefore I suggest the WG craft and add a definition for “multi-tier networks” in 8.1 Additional Explanatory Notes. Perhaps the term is defined in the 802.16 base standard, if so, I suggest you reference that definition.
   2. Joint Sponsor question. If MTT/SCC is not actively participating in the development of this amendment project, does it make sense to continue to keep them on the PAR form as a joint sponsor?