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Committee**SUBJECT:** Liaison between 802 and 1900**DATE:** 22 March 2007

Dear Stephen,

IEEE 1900 and 802 are beginning to have some common areas of interest, however, the two organizations have not established a communication channel between the two organizations. There was some communications between the 802.19 TAG and the 1900.2 working group in the past. And recently the 1900.4 chair attended the 802.21 working group and discussed the activities of 1900.4. However, there is not currently an effective mechanism for exchanging information. For example, the 802.21 working group was not aware of the work of 1900.4 until the working group was established and up and running.

I believe that the two organizations should establish formal liaisons. Ideally we could identify two individuals to act as liaisons between the two organizations. One liaison would be a member of 802 who will attend 1900 meetings and report to 1900 on the activities of 802. The other liaison would be a member of 1900 who would attend 802 meetings and report to 802 on the activities of 1900. This would facilitate understanding between the two organizations which might lead to discussions on synergy of activities in both of the groups.

In addition to these liaisons it may make sense for individual working groups to establish liaisons at the working group level.

Best regards,

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