



**WRC-12 Advisory Committee
INFORMAL WORKING GROUP 4 (IWG-4)**

Regulatory Issues

MINUTES

Meeting: IWG-4 (12th Meeting)

Date/Time: Wednesday, January 6, 2010 10:15 AM -12:00 PM

Location: FCC 445 12th Street, SW Washington, DC
Conference Room 7-B516

Committee Members Present: See below.

Minutes Preparer: Ms. Kathryn Martin, Access Partnership

Meeting Summary:

1. Introductions/Appointment of Minutes Taker

The meeting was convened at 10:15 AM by Chair Audrey Allison. The DFO was Alex Roytblat (FCC/IB). The participants in the room and on the telephone introduced themselves. The meeting was open to the public and no attendees indicated that they were federal registered lobbyists. Ms. Kathryn Martin volunteered to take minutes of the meeting.

2. Approval of agenda.

Agenda was approved with one correction to add the paper on Agenda Item 7 from Mr. Jose Albuquerque for discussion.

3. Approval of the Minutes of the 11th Meeting (December 16, 2009)

The chair requested more streamlined minutes for future IWG meetings, as minutes are made public on the FCC website and great detail is not required. The draft minutes from the December 16, 2009 meeting were approved with the removal of text from the draft section on No. 23.13.

4. Update on US WRC Preparations

The next WRC Advisory Committee meeting is scheduled for February 10, 2010. It was noted that the RCS is holding a meeting tomorrow (January 7, 2010) and then another on March 4, 2010. It is envisioned that the meeting scheduled for March 4th will address relevant outcomes from the WAC on February 10, 2010.

5. Discussion of Recent Activities Affecting Regulatory Issues

Various IWG-4 members provided updates on recent US preparatory activities in advance of the ITU-R WP 4A and WP 1B meetings, noting that these activities might yield contributions or papers affecting the agenda items under consideration by IWG-4, in particular Agenda Item 1.2 and possibly Agenda Item 1.6.

6. Consideration of Industry Draft Proposals

- Draft Proposal on Agenda Item 7 (Res. 49) (Doc. IWG-4/046)
 - Following the December IWG-4 meeting when the NTIA draft BIU proposal (Doc IWG4/043) was discussed, Mr. Jack Wengrynuik put forward Document IWG-4/046 that contained draft proposals for Agenda Item 7 that called for updating Resolution 49 by removing outdated language in Resolves 2 and separate proposals to modify Nos. 11.44 and 11.47. After considerable discussion regarding the approach and structure of the draft proposals (e.g. should it be one document or two, how to handle C-, Ku- and Ka-band networks, whether to incorporate elements of the RCS approved BIU proposal, etc.), it was agreed that Mr. Wengrynuik would continue to develop the proposals. IWG-4 tabled the discussions on documents 43 and 46 with the expectation that it would consider a revised version of 46 at a later meeting.
- Draft Proposal on Agenda Item 8.1 (IMT Footnotes) Doc. IWG-4/047
 - Ms. Amy Sanders introduced the draft preliminary view and provided background on this issue. During WRC-07, the Conference changed the term 'IMT-2000' to 'IMT' in almost all of the Resolutions and Footnotes. However, footnotes 5.388, 5.388A and 5.388B were not updated. The draft preliminary view suggests modifying the footnotes to reference 'IMT' instead of 'IMT-2000' to make these footnotes consistent with the other resolutions and footnotes. After a brief discussion and recognizing the previous US position, IWG-4 considered it unnecessary for the IWG to create a preliminary view on this matter and that IWG-4 could consider a draft proposal on the matter. Ms. Sanders agreed to redraft the document as a proposal for the next IWG-4 meeting.
- Draft Proposal on Agenda Item 7 (Application of Nos. 11.41 and 11.42 of the Radio Regulations) Doc. IWG-4/048

- Mr. Jose Albuquerque introduced this draft proposal on Agenda Item 7 that proposes modifications to 11.42 to state that complaints of harmful interference in connection with this provision should be treated following the provisions of Article 15. Following the introduction, there was a brief discussion over how concerns that were raised during the last day of the four month period would be handled and whether this topic would be better handled as a Rule of Procedure. The chair suggested that participants review the draft and interested parties provide their input to Mr. Albuquerque for further development of the draft document.
- Draft Proposal on Agenda Item 7 (integrated MSS Systems) Document IWG-4/028r2
 - It was noted that Skyterra's position since the last meeting was unchanged and the company will not submit changes to document IWG-4/028r2 until after the upcoming working party meetings. The document remains tabled.

7. Consideration of NTIA Draft Proposals

- Draft Proposal on Agenda Item 7 (BIU) – Document IWG-4/043
 - This document was discussed in the context of Document IWG-4/046 on Resolution 49 (see above).
- Draft Proposal on Agenda Item 1.2 – (Doc. IWG-4/035)
 - The meeting discussed the current NTIA AI 1.2 proposal calling for no change (NOC) to the Radio Regulations. It was felt by many of the participants that this agenda item is so broad, that a NOC position may be too strict and inflexible, particularly when planning to address other countries' proposals. The chair encouraged IWG-4 members to try to develop a proposal that would be acceptable to all, even if it contained multiple views. Ms. Sanders volunteered to initiate the draft and work with other IWG-4 members in hopes of putting forward a document at the next meeting.

8. Future Meetings

IWG-4 scheduled its next meeting for January 22, 2010 at 10:00am at Boeing (later moved to FCC, conference room 8-B516).

9. Other business / Adjournment

No other business was raised during the meeting. The meeting was adjourned at 12:00 PM..

IWG-4 PARTICIPANTS				
Name		Representing	Federally Registered Lobbyist? (Yes/No)	MTG-12 1/06/10
Albuquerque	Jose	Intelsat	no	yes
Allison	Audrey	Boeing	no	yes
Baruch	Steve	LSL	no	yes
Baum	Kim	Motorola	no	yes
Blais	Paul	DISA	no	phone
Case	David	Cisco	no	phone
Cramer	Joe	Boeing	no	phone
DiLapi	Christine	Mitre	no	phone
Dillon	George	ASRC	no	phone
Doiron	Steve	Hughes	no	phone
Gilsenan	John	Terrestar	no	phone
Green	Katherine	ITT	no	phone
Haines	Rob	NTIA	no	phone
Hofer	Chris	DISA	no	phone
Ibarra	Dante	FCC	no	yes
Jansky	Don	JanskyBarmat	no	yes
Kalb	Kim	ASRC	no	phone
Kotler	Scott	NTIA	no	yes
Ladson	Damon	Harris Wiltshire	no	phone
Lynch	Mike	Consultant	no	phone
Malloy	Suzanne	DBSD North America	no	yes
Martin	Kathryn	Access Partnership	no	yes
Mullinix	Michael	FCC	no	yes
Murphy	Chris	Inmarsat	no	phone
Najarian	Paul	State	no	phone
Persaud	Sankar	FCC	no	yes
Price	Brennan	ARRL	no	yes
Reed	Larry	ASRC	no	phone
Robinson	Rhys	Terrestar	no	phone
Roytblat	Alex	FCC	no	yes
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Tycz	Thomas	Goldberg Godles	no	yes
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Wengryniuk	Jack	DirectTV	no	yes
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