Comment entry tutorial

Topics

Draft review process



- Form of a comment
- Comment entry tools
 - Spreadsheet
 - Text form
- Comment resolution

Three phases of review

- Task Force review
- Working Group ballot
- Standards Association ballot
- A summary of open reviews/ballots is maintained at <u>http://www.ieee802.org/3/ballots/index.html</u>

Task Force review

- Typically follows the form used for Working Group ballot
- Typically includes multiple iterations of review

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Comment structure

- Contact information
- "Category" or "Comment Type"
- Comment location (subclause, page, line)
- Comment
- "Proposed change" or "Suggested Remedy"
- "Required" or "Must be satisfied"

Contact information

- It helps to know who the comment is from
- It helps to know how to contact you if the editor has questions

"Category" or "Comment Type"

"Editorial" or "E"

- Spelling, punctuation, grammar, and style
- Rewording without altering the technical meaning of the text
- No change to technical content
- Example 1: Change spelling of "wavelngth" to "wavelength"
- Example 2: Change resistance from "1 k \pm 5%" to "1 k Ω \pm 5%"

"Technical" or "T"

- Affect the technical content of the document
- Changes to parameters, values, tables, or figures that alter their meaning or substance
- Example 1: Changes to functions or variables in state diagrams
- Example 2: Change from "1 k Ω ± 5%" to "2 k Ω ± 5%"

Comment location

- Provide clause, subclause, page, and line
 - Use Clause "00" for comments that apply to the entire draft
 - Use Clause "FM" for comments against the frontmatter
- Otherwise, the editor may not know what you are talking about
- Follow the instructions provided with the review/ballot announcement
 - E.g., comment on clean or compare document

Comment

- Be specific
- Provide enough text to fully describe why you feel the draft is wrong
 - Especially important if you will not be at the meeting where the comment will be considered
- Try to stay within 1 issue per comment
- If you submit a presentation to support a comment, note that in the comment

"Proposed change" or "Suggested remedy"

- Again, be specific
- Whenever possible, provide the exact textual changes that you would like to be made to the draft as if you were providing editing instructions
- If you feel there are several ways to remedy a comment, list the options
- If you identify an area that is lacking text, provide some

"Required" or "Must be satisfied"

- During a ballot
 - Associated with a "disapprove" vote
 - Commenter applies designation to indicate the comment must be satisfied in order to change the "disapprove" vote to "approve"
- During Task Force review
 - Not a ballot, no votes
 - Commenter may apply this designation to indicate he/she feels more strongly about the comment
- "ER" is "Editorial Required"
- "TR" is "Technical Required"

Additional information

- Comments may be submitted in "batches" up until the time the review/ballot period closes
- Early submission of comments is encouraged to allow the editor to get head start on processing

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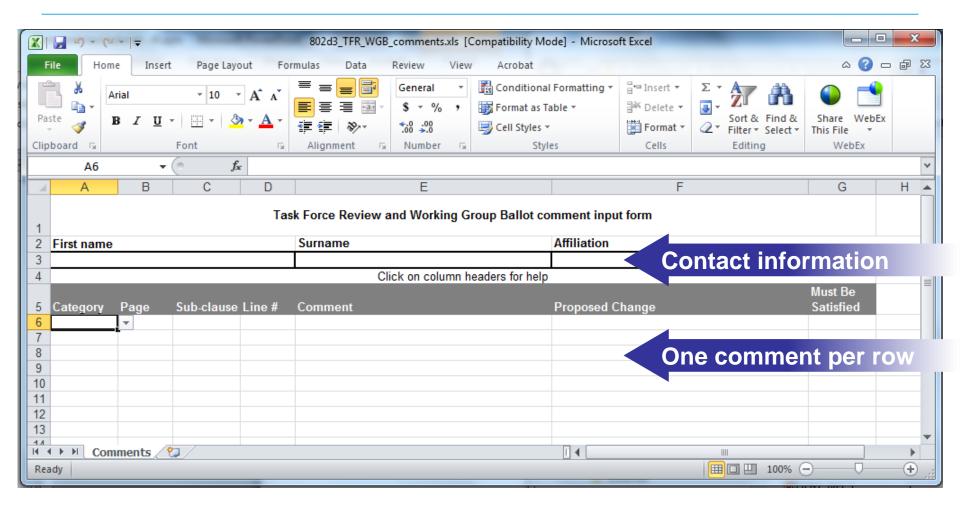


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Comment entry spreadsheet

- http://www.ieee802.org/3/WG_tools/index.html
- Platform independent
- Similar to method of "bulk comment entry" used during Standards Association ballot

Use of comment entry spreadsheet



Text (ASCII) form

- Only when all else fails...
- Usually included with the review/ballot announcement
- 1 instance of the form for each comment
- Requires editor to transcribe the contents of the form to the comment database
 - Check the posted comment database for correct transcription
- Not an option for Standards Association ballot

Text (ASCII) form

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CommentID: (Leave Blank)
CommenterName:
CommenterCompany:
Clause:
Subclause:
Page:
Line:
CommentType: (E, ER, T, or TR)
Comment:
CommentEnd:
SuggestedRemedy:
RemedyEnd:
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Comment resolution process

- Each comment is considered individually
 - Duplicate/similar comments are often grouped together and dealt with at the same time
- Comment database is usually published a various points within each review/ballot cycle
 - Comments received
 - Comments with proposed responses
 - Comments with final resolutions
 - Unsatisfied comments

Possible resolutions

Accept

- Agree with comment and proposed change is adopted without modification
- Typically associated with a specific proposed change that the editor can use
- "Accept in Principle" or "Revised"
 - Agree with the comment but a different, amended, or expanded remedy is adopted
- Reject
 - Disagree with the comment and no change made to the draft
- Withdrawn
 - Commenter withdraws the comment and no change made to the draft

Commenter satisfaction

- During resolution of "must be satisfied" <u>ballot</u> comments, a pop-up window is displayed asking if the commenter is satisfied with the resolution
 - Comment may be satisfied or unsatisfied
 - If a commenter is not available at the moment the comment is resolved, the database includes a state that flags the comment for follow-up by the editor
- Unsatisfied comments are included with the draft at the next re-circulation ballot

Questions?