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Mr. Bjorkman and Mr. Florit,

Thank you for your liaison regarding the MA Short Name format in 802.1ag-2007. Although MA Short Name formats beyond the ones specified in Table 21-20 can be supported in CFM PDUs as 802.1ag is currently written, the MIB module definitions cannot be used to configure the ICC-based Format. The ICC-based Format is fully supported by 802.1ag if another method is provided by the implementation to configure it.

We note that support of the defined name formats in Table 21-20 is not specifically required by 802.1ag.

802.1 agrees that it would be desirable to specifically include the Y.1731 ICC-based Format both in the main body of the standard and the MIB module in a subsequent revision of 802.1Q. At this time, we anticipate that such a revision is likely to be completed by early 2011.

Best regards,