

PCC.III/RES.27(III-95)

**HARMONIZATION ACTIVITIES OF PCC.I AND PCC.III TO IMPROVE
EFFECTIVENESS IN STANDARDS COORDINATION
OF WIRELESS NETWORKS¹**

Considering:

The mandate of PCC.III "To promote the harmonization of radio communication services..." and "To promote the use of modern technologies and the application of the ITU Radio Regulations and Standards", and the existence of a Working Group on Terrestrial Mobile Communications (which includes PCS);

The mandate of PCC.I "To promote and watch over the integration, strengthening of Networks and Public Telecommunication Services operating in the Americas...and the promotion of the use of international ITU Standards and Radio Regulations", and the existence of a Working Group on Standards Coordination (which includes wireless);

There is considerable overlap in the mandates of PCC.III and PCC.I in the areas requiring harmonization of standards of wireless systems.

Recognizing:

That there are standards that are of wireless telecommunications concern exclusively, standards that are of wireline telecommunications concern exclusively, and standards that concern both,

That discussion of standards that concern wireless telecommunications will be more effective at PCC.III, and discussion of standards that concern wireline telecommunications will be more effective at PCC.I meetings,

Resolves:

1. To request the chairman of PCC.III to meet with the chairman of PCC.I to agree on a method to improve the effectiveness of standards coordination for wireless networks. The "Annex" provides alternatives,
2. The chairman of PCC.III is requested to report back to the next meeting of PCC.III the results and to define further action if any.

Instructs:

The Executive Secretary to send this Resolution to the Working Group on Standards Coordination and to the Chairman of PCC.I.

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ANNEX

Alternatives for harmonizing activities of PCC.I and PCC.III to improve effectiveness and reduce duplication

Alternative 1

1. Both PCC.I and PCC.III have groups working on standardizations that concern their respective groups exclusively. A joint activity should be established to cover issues that are common to both groups (e.g. liaison, co-located meetings, joint meetings).
2. The decision of which group should address a certain issue will initially be decided by the respective heads of the standardization groups in PCC.I and PCC.III pending their next meeting at which time the groups will confirm the decision or define the item as a concern to both groups.

Alternative 2

Same as Alternative 1 above except that after all technical discussions have taken place, the resulting standards decisions would be published or distributed by a single Standards Committee.

Alternative 3

1. A single Standards group for CITEL will have jurisdiction over all standards.
2. Issues will be grouped into items that mainly concern wireless or wireline/network, and issues that mainly concern wireless will be discussed at a meeting that will be held concurrently with PCC.III meetings and issues that mainly concern wireline/network will be discussed concurrent with PCC.I meetings.
3. The decision of which group should address a certain issue will initially be decided by the head of the Standards group pending confirmation of the decision at the next meetings of the Standards group concurrent with PCC.I and PCC.III.
4. There will be an effort to have the meetings of the joint interest concurrent with the PCC.I or PCC.III meetings, whichever has a higher content in the item of discussion.

Examples of items that would be of primary concern to wireless are listed below. This is not a complete list and it also only applies to this point in time. That is, as technology progresses, items that today are of primary concern to wireless or wireline/network may change in the future and be a concern of both.

- ! Coordinating standards for air interfaces
- ! Promoting the use of shared frequency plans
- ! Promoting standards to allow the interconnectivity of radiocommunications systems/services (interconnections between wireless systems and information exchange between wireless services).