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From: IEEE Registration Authority Committee (RAC)
Subj: Registration of identifiers
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The IEEE Registration Authority is responsible for the unique assignment of identifiers, including, for example, EtherType protocol identifiers. The IEEE Registration Authority Committee (RAC) oversees the process to ensure unambiguous, sustainable registration.

The RAC has become aware of a request for allocation of an EtherType value per 3GPP TS 24.193 v18.0.0. The RAC is not averse to recommending an assignment. To ensure that the assignment is made to the proper assignee, one that authentically represents the standardized use of the protocol and will be able to provide for administration and maintenance of the assignment over the long term, we seek your guidance regarding the assignee that best represents these criteria.

We also wish to ensure that the specified protocol is accurately and unambiguously expressed in the public registration database. We seek your guidance regarding how to express the protocol. Note that it would be helpful for the applicant to propose a compact name for the protocol for use in the public listing, as an aid to the public.

In addition, if 3GPP envisions future needs for IEEE RA assignments, we recommend that it maintain a policy to coordinate requests and retain assignments centrally. We would encourage 3GPP to consider a policy such as that of the IETF's [IESG](#), a policy long in place and recently updated.

Note that, while the IEEE Registration Authority normally charges assignment fees to recover the cost of operation, it frequently foregoes the fee when the assignment is made to an SDO (or similar organization) for its publicly-specified protocol.

Feel free to contact the RAC Chair directly for further information.