**3GPP TSG-RAN WG2 Meeting #115 electronic draftR2-2108837**

Online, August, 2021

Agenda Item: 10.7

Source: Session Chair (Huawei)

Title: <draft> Report NB-IoT breakout session

Document for: Approval

## General

Please see the following TDocs for e-meeting guidance:

[R2-2106900](file:///D%3A%5Cworkfiles%5CRAN%5CRAN2%5CRAN2_115-e%5Cdocs%5CR2-2106900.zip) Agenda for RAN2#115-e Chairman agenda Late

Time Schedule
Please refer to the latest schedule in the RAN2 inbox on the public 3GPP servers.

## List and Status of Offline Email Discussions

The deadlines refer to the deadline for providing company comments unless stated otherwise.

* [AT115-e][300][NBIOT/eMTC] Organisational Brian’s Session (Session Chair)

 **Scope:** Comments to session notes. Kick-off and management of email discussions for NB-IoT session. Coordination issues. Other organisational issues and announcements.

 **Intended outcome:** Approval of Report from NB-IoT session.

 **Deadline:** EOM

 **Status:** started

* [AT115-e][301][NBIOT/eMTC R17] RLF measurements (Huawei)

 Scope: Progress on the open items from the summary document

 Intended outcome: Report in R2-2108971

 Deadline: Monday 23rd, 1200 UTC.

* [AT115-e][302][NBIOT/eMTC R17] carrier selection (Ericsson)

 Scope: Progress the above proposals

 Intended outcome: report in R2-2108972

 Deadline: Monday 23rd, 1200 UTC.

* [AT115-e][303][NBIOT/eMTC R17] NB-IoT/eMTC Other (ZTE)

 Scope: Produce set of agreeable proposals

 Intended outcome: Report in R2-2108973

 Deadline: Monday 23rd, 1200 UTC.

## 4.1 NB-IoT corrections Rel-15 and earlier

Documents in this agenda item will be handled in a break out session. Common NB-IoT/eMTC parts treated jointly with 4.2.

## 7.3 Additional enhancements for NB-IoT

(NB\_IOTenh3-Core; leading WG: RAN1; REL-16; started: Jun 18; Completed: June 20; WID: RP-200293)

Documents in this agenda item will be handled in a break out session

Some sub-items in 7.2 and 7.3 may be treated jointly.

### 7.3.1 General and Stage-2 Corrections

Including incoming LSs etc

### 7.3.2 UE-group wake-up signal (WUS) Corrections

UE group wake Up signal for MTC and NB-IoT is treated jointly under this Agenda Item.

### 7.3.3 Transmission in preconfigured resources corrections

Transmission in preconfigured resources for MTC and NB-IoT is treated jointly under this Agenda Item.

### 7.3.4 Other NB-IoT Specific corrections

NB-IoT specific topics

## 9.1 NB-IoT and eMTC enhancements

(NB\_IOTenh4\_LTE\_eMTC6-Core; leading WG: RAN1; REL-17; WID: RP-211340)

Time budget: 1 TU

Tdoc Limitation: 4 tdocs

Email max expectation: 4 threads

### 9.1.1 Organizational

Running CRs:

36.300 – Huawei

36.331 – Qualcomm

36.321 – Ericsson

36.304 – Nokia

36.306 – ZTE

* [post115-e][304][NBIOT/eMTC R17] 36.300 (Huawei)

 Scope: Start running CR

 Intended outcome: draft CR submitted to next meeting

 Deadline: long

* [post115-e][305][NBIOT/eMTC R17] 36.331 (Qualcomm)

 Scope: Start running CR

 Intended outcome: draft CR submitted to next meeting

 Deadline: long

* post115-e][306][NBIOT/eMTC R17] Update agreements document (Ericsson)

 Scope: Update the agreements document

 Intended outcome: endorsed report in R2-2108974

 Deadline: short

### 9.1.2 NB-IoT neighbor cell measurements and corresponding measurement triggering before RLF

Focus on:

Details of the criteria and configuration for starting measurements

Whether any further information needs to be provided by the NW

Whether any assistance information from UE is needed.

If/how to support “early” RLF

[R2-2107122](file:///D%3A%5Cworkfiles%5CRAN%5CRAN2%5CRAN2_115-e%5Cdocs%5CR2-2107122.zip) Consideration on neighbour cell measurement in RRC connected state Qualcomm Incorporated discussion Rel-17 NB\_IOTenh4\_LTE\_eMTC6-Core

[R2-2107429](file:///D%3A%5Cworkfiles%5CRAN%5CRAN2%5CRAN2_115-e%5Cdocs%5CR2-2107429.zip) Open issues on connected mode measurements for RLF Huawei, HiSilicon discussion Rel-17 NB\_IOTenh4\_LTE\_eMTC6-Core

[R2-2107761](file:///D%3A%5Cworkfiles%5CRAN%5CRAN2%5CRAN2_115-e%5Cdocs%5CR2-2107761.zip) Remaining issues on connected mode measurement ZTE Corporation, Sanechips discussion NB\_IOTenh4\_LTE\_eMTC6-Core [R2-2105314](file:///D%3A%5Cworkfiles%5C%5CRAN%5CRAN2%5CRAN2_114-e%5CDocs%5CR2-2105314.zip)

[R2-2107810](file:///D%3A%5Cworkfiles%5CRAN%5CRAN2%5CRAN2_115-e%5Cdocs%5CR2-2107810.zip) Network assistance information for Re-establishment time reduction Nokia, Nokia Shanghai Bell discussion Rel-17

[R2-2107811](file:///D%3A%5Cworkfiles%5CRAN%5CRAN2%5CRAN2_115-e%5Cdocs%5CR2-2107811.zip) On the open aspects for connected mode measurements for RLF enhancements Nokia, Nokia Shanghai Bell discussion Rel-17

[R2-2107869](file:///D%3A%5Cworkfiles%5CRAN%5CRAN2%5CRAN2_115-e%5Cdocs%5CR2-2107869.zip) Triggering cell selection early Huawei, HiSilicon, MediaTek Inc., Spreadtrum Communications, Lenovo, Motorola Mobility, Fraunhofer, Novamint, CMCC, China Unicom, Reliance Jio discussion Rel-17 NB\_IOTenh4\_LTE\_eMTC6-Core

[R2-2108390](file:///D%3A%5Cworkfiles%5CRAN%5CRAN2%5CRAN2_115-e%5Cdocs%5CR2-2108390.zip) Discussion on connected mode measurement in NB-IoT Ericsson discussion

[R2-2108843](file:///D%3A%5Cworkfiles%5CRAN%5CRAN2%5CRAN2_115-e%5Cdocs%5CR2-2108843.zip) Summary of AI 9.1.2 NB-IoT neighbor cell measurements (Huawei) Huawei discussion Rel-17 NB\_IOTenh4\_LTE\_eMTC6-Core

**Proposal 1:** [To agree] The configuration of the criteria for starting the measurements include a serving cell NRSRP threshold.

* QC thinks this goes along with p3.

**Proposal 11:** [To agree] Configuration of an alternative shorter T310 timer that the UE uses when the criteria for performing connected mode measurements is fulfilled is supported. Need for other conditions is FFS.

* Sequans think T310 can be configured with dedicated signalling. HW think eNB does not know whether UE is mobile so should not always configure. ZTE agree and think the dedicated parameter could be used.
* Ericsson wonders how eNB knows how to provide the configuration. HW thinks it would be cell specific
* Ericsson thinks that for HetNet the trigger for shorter timer is based on measurement reports etc. and wonders whether the NW can provide the correct conditions for using the new timer. Huawei thinks that the gain is that UE will select a new cell much more quickly.
* Huawei thinks that we have NB-IoT mobile UEs but no mobility support, it has to be improved and this shortens the time to select a new cell.
* QC agrees with Ericsson and ZTE, and wonder why the existing dedicated signalling can’t be used.
* Huawei thinks the eNB doesn’t know when the UE is mobile so cannot know when to configure the shorter timer with dedicated signalling.
* Ericsson think we may be able to introduce a capability for configuring the second timer.
* Nokia thinks the timer is not useful for this scenario.
* Fraunhofer thinks this proposal will be useful to improve NB-IoT mobility. QC would like to improve NB-IoT mobility but think there is not much gain when this timer can already be configured by dedicated signalling. Huawei think the complexity of the timer is low compared to the measurements themselves, and many devices are kept in connected mode for long periods.
* Huawei thinks it would be optional for the NW to configure.

Support: Huawei, HiSilicon, MediaTek Inc., Spreadtrum Communications, Lenovo, Motorola Mobility, Fraunhofer, Novamint, CMCC, China Unicom, Reliance Jio (9)

Not support: Ericsson, ZTE, Nokia, QC, Sequans, Thales (6)

**Proposal 2:** [To discuss] Whether to have separate criteria for intra- and inter-frequency neighbour cells or separate criteria for intra- and inter-frequency neighbour measurements.

**Proposal 3:** [To discuss] The configuration of the criteria for starting the measurements optionally includes SSearchDeltaP and TSearchDeltaP parameters to enable relaxed monitoring.

* Ericsson wonders whether L1 filtering is enough to address the serving cell variance, and whether this imposes restrictions to UE removing UE flexibility. QC thinks we are introducing a threshold to require measurements, if we leave to implementation nothing needs to be specified. Nokia also think hysteresis would suffice.
* Ericsson wonders whether the values would be different than idle mode.
* ZTE thinks the NRSRP threshold is needed and this delta threshold may be useful to avoid unnecessary measurement
* Huawei think that p1 alone does not satisfy the agreement from the last meeting. QC agree.

**Proposal 4:** [To discuss] The conditions where the UE is not required to perform measurements are specified. No additional configuration is needed.

**Proposal 5:** [To discuss] The configuration of the criteria for starting the measurements is provided via broadcast signalling.

**Proposal 6:** [To discuss] Provision of additional information regarding which cells/carriers to be considered is not supported. It is up to UE implementation to choose and prioritize carrier/cell list for measurement.

**Proposal 7:** [To discuss] Provision of minimum system information for the target cell(s) to minimise the delay for system information acquisition is not supported.

**Proposal 8:** [To discuss] Indication from the UE that it starts/ stops performing measurement is not supported.

**Proposal 9:** [To discuss] Report of the cells measured in RRC\_IDLE to assist measurement configuration is not supported.

**Proposal 10:** [To discuss] Report of information about connected measurements during the RRC Connection re-establishment procedure for network optimisation is not supported.

**Proposal 12:** [To discuss] Whether OFF period of DRX is used for the neighbour cell measurement under scenario B, D and E.

**Proposal 13:** [To discuss] Support for connected mode measurement is optional without capability signalling.

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| Agreements:* The configuration of the criteria for starting the measurements include a serving cell NRSRP threshold. FSS how to address variance (as agreed last meeting)
* It is useful to have a shorter T310 timer for UEs supporting this enhancement, but FFS whether this is best achieved with the existing dedicated signalling or based on a new condition
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* [AT115-e][301][NBIOT/eMTC R17] RLF measurements (Huawei)

 Scope: Progress on the open items from the summary document

 Intended outcome: Report in [R2-2108971](file:///D%3A%5Cworkfiles%5CRAN%5CRAN2%5CRAN2_115-e%5Cdocs%5CR2-2108971.zip)

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[R2-2108971](file:///D%3A%5Cworkfiles%5CRAN%5CRAN2%5CRAN2_115-e%5Cdocs%5CR2-2108971.zip) Summary of [301] RLF measurements (Huawei) Huawei

Proposal 2-1: Prioritisation of carriers/cells to measure is left to the UE implementation.

Proposal 2-2: To further discuss whether to provide a separate criteria for inter-frequency measurements (i.e. needing re-tuning) considering that they will take longer and should start earlier.

Proposal 3: Legacy relaxed monitoring criteria is reused to address the variance part of the criteria to start the measurements and is enabled by the provision of separate SSearchDeltaP and TSearchDeltaP parameters from RRC\_IDLE.

Proposal 4: The conditions where the UE is required to perform measurements are specified. No requirement on when to stop measurements is needed.

Proposal 5: The configuration of the criteria for starting the measurements is provided via broadcast signalling.

Proposal 6: Provision of information regarding which cells/carriers to be considered is not supported. It is up to UE implementation to choose and prioritize carrier/cell list for measurement.

Proposal 7: Provision of minimum system information for the target cell(s) to minimise the delay for system information acquisition is not supported.

Proposal 8: Indication from the UE that it starts/ stops performing measurement is not supported.

Proposal 9: Report of the cells measured in RRC\_IDLE to assist measurement configuration is not supported.

Proposal 10: Report of information about connected measurements during the RRC Connection re-establishment procedure for network optimisation is not supported.

Proposal 11: To continue discussing which approach (which option a) or b)) to pursue.

Proposal 12: There is no need to specify which subframes can be used for measurements beyond them not being needed for PDCCH monitoring or data transmission / reception.

Proposal 13: Support for connected mode measurement is optional with capability signalling.

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| Agreements* Prioritisation of carriers/cells to measure is left to the UE implementation.
* FFS: whether to provide a separate criteria for inter-frequency measurements (i.e. needing re-tuning) considering that they will take longer and should start earlier.
* Legacy relaxed monitoring criteria is reused to address the variance part of the criteria to start the measurements.
	+ FFS: Whether it is enabled by the provision of separate SSearchDeltaP and TSearchDeltaP parameters from RRC\_IDLE.
* The conditions where the UE is required to perform measurements are specified. No requirement on when to stop measurements is needed.
* The configuration of the criteria for starting the measurements is provided via broadcast signalling.
* Provision of information regarding which cells/carriers to be considered is not supported. It is up to UE implementation to choose and prioritize carrier/cell list for measurement.
* Report of the cells measured in RRC\_IDLE to assist measurement configuration is not supported.
* Report of information about connected measurements during the RRC Connection re-establishment procedure for network optimisation is not supported.
* There is no need to specify which subframes can be used for measurements beyond them not being needed for PDCCH monitoring or data transmission / reception.
* Support for connected mode measurement is optional with capability signalling.
* FFS: Whether to support an indication from the UE that it starts/ stops performing measurement.
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* [post115-e][301][NBIOT/eMTC R17] RLF measurements (Huawei)

 Scope: Progress the FFSs

 Intended outcome: Report to next meeting

 Deadline: long

### 9.1.3 NB-IoT carrier selection based on the coverage level, and associated carrier specific configuration

Focus on details of the remaining 2 sub-options and selection of one of the options:

For option 1, whether DRX can be part of the carrier selection criteria

For option 1, upon cell change, whether to fallback or to select carrier based on previously determined CEL

For both options whether there is a report from the UE to suggest a carrier or provide a metric report

For both options whether to use a hysteresis/longer averaging/timer on measured NRSRP

[R2-2107123](file:///D%3A%5Cworkfiles%5CRAN%5CRAN2%5CRAN2_115-e%5Cdocs%5CR2-2107123.zip) Support for NB-IoT carrier selection based on the coverage level Qualcomm Incorporated discussion Rel-17 NB\_IOTenh4\_LTE\_eMTC6-Core

[R2-2107124](file:///D%3A%5Cworkfiles%5CRAN%5CRAN2%5CRAN2_115-e%5Cdocs%5CR2-2107124.zip) Signalling for coverage-based paging carrier selection Qualcomm Incorporated discussion Rel-17 NB\_IOTenh4\_LTE\_eMTC6-Core

[R2-2107207](file:///D%3A%5Cworkfiles%5CRAN%5CRAN2%5CRAN2_115-e%5Cdocs%5CR2-2107207.zip) Discussion on details of paging carrier selection options MediaTek Inc. discussion Rel-17 NB\_IOTenh4\_LTE\_eMTC6-Core

[R2-2107370](file:///D%3A%5Cworkfiles%5CRAN%5CRAN2%5CRAN2_115-e%5Cdocs%5CR2-2107370.zip) Further discussion on enhanced paging carrier selection Spreadtrum Communications discussion Rel-17

[R2-2107391](file:///D%3A%5Cworkfiles%5CRAN%5CRAN2%5CRAN2_115-e%5Cdocs%5CR2-2107391.zip) Further discussion on enhanced paging carrier selection NEC Corporation discussion Rel-17 NB\_IOTenh4\_LTE\_eMTC6-Core

[R2-2107430](file:///D%3A%5Cworkfiles%5CRAN%5CRAN2%5CRAN2_115-e%5Cdocs%5CR2-2107430.zip) Paging carrier selection Huawei, HiSilicon discussion Rel-17 NB\_IOTenh4\_LTE\_eMTC6-Core

[R2-2107762](file:///D%3A%5Cworkfiles%5CRAN%5CRAN2%5CRAN2_115-e%5Cdocs%5CR2-2107762.zip) Remaining issues on CEL-based paging carrier selection ZTE Corporation, Sanechips discussion Rel-17 NB\_IOTenh4\_LTE\_eMTC6-Core [R2-2105317](file:///D%3A%5Cworkfiles%5C%5CRAN%5CRAN2%5CRAN2_114-e%5CDocs%5CR2-2105317.zip)

[R2-2107812](file:///D%3A%5Cworkfiles%5CRAN%5CRAN2%5CRAN2_115-e%5Cdocs%5CR2-2107812.zip) Further analysis on solution for coverage level based paging carrier selection Nokia, Nokia Shanghai Bell discussion Rel-17

[R2-2108391](file:///D%3A%5Cworkfiles%5CRAN%5CRAN2%5CRAN2_115-e%5Cdocs%5CR2-2108391.zip) Paging Carrier Selection Ericsson discussion

[R2-2108828](file:///D%3A%5Cworkfiles%5CRAN%5CRAN2%5CRAN2_115-e%5Cdocs%5CR2-2108828.zip) Summary of AI 9.1.3 NB-IoT carrier selection Ericsson discussion Rel-17 NB\_IOTenh4\_LTE\_eMTC6-Core

Proposal 1 For option1, DRX should be part of the carrier selection criteria. RAN2 to discuss how to combine the DRX criteria with CE level criteria.

* Huawei would like to understand what case this has benefit. ZTE think that option 1 can allow this. QC thinks there is no problem to have this, it allows the flexibility to configure different DRX.
* Huawei wonders what UE would select based on, QC thinks the UE specific DRX cycle would be used. Huawei think this would not be useful. Nokia thinks splitting based on coverage already allows configuring DRX different between carriers, and adding this to the selection criteria just adds complexity.

Proposal 2 Support carrier specific DRX configurations, including carrier specific defaultPagingCycle, nB, and ue-SpecificDRX-CycleMin.

* QC wonders why we would have different minimum UE specific DRX cycle per carrier if we don’t have p1. Huawei think we would have a diffferent DRX cycle for a carrier with a different Rmax, this could be per coverage level or per carrier. Ericsson agree with Huawei in general but can agree that the default paging cycle may not make sense, it would be more straightforward to ensure UE specific DRX is supported to support this feature.

Proposal 3 For option 1, upon cell change, FFS is needed to choose from Alt 1 and Alt 2.

Proposal 4 Confirm the WA: UE metric for determining carrier suitability and selection is based on measured NRSRP.

Proposal 5 FFS whether to use a hysteresis/longer averaging/timer for UE metric based on NRSRP.

Proposal 6 For both options, there is no need to introduce UE report.

Proposal 7 UE capability for Rel-17 paging carrier selection should be introduced.

Proposal 8 Selection of option 1c and option 2a should be based on

a) DRX support for carrier selection criteria

b) Load balance or UE redistribution

c) Paging carrier selection upon cell change

d) Specification impact, Paging Formula, Complexity (different rules) in selecting a carrier by UE

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| Agreements* Support coverage or carrier specific DRX configurations, FFS details.
* UE capability for Rel-17 paging carrier selection should be introduced
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* [AT115-e][302][NBIOT/eMTC R17] carrier selection (Ericsson)

 Scope: Progress the above proposals

 Intended outcome: report in [R2-2108972](file:///D%3A%5Cworkfiles%5CRAN%5CRAN2%5CRAN2_115-e%5Cdocs%5CR2-2108972.zip)

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[R2-2108972](file:///D%3A%5Cworkfiles%5CRAN%5CRAN2%5CRAN2_115-e%5Cdocs%5CR2-2108972.zip) [AT115-e][302][NBIOT/eMTC R17] carrier selection (Ericsson) Ericsson

Proposal 1 For option 1, upon cell change, RAN2 to choose between Alt 1 and Alt 2.

Alt 1: based on previously determined CEL and broadcasted paging carrier configuration in the new cell.

Alt 2: UE needs to perform fallback mechanism.

Proposal 2 UE metric for determining carrier suitability and selection is based on measured NRSRP.

* Qualcomm thinks NRSRP is not sufficient to determine whether paging carrier is suitable or not. Ericsson thinks the NRSRP is simply a reference for UE to determine whether the coverage based carrier remains suitable. Nokia thinks NW configuration can minimise “ping-pong” between paging carrier.

Proposal 3 Use a hysteresis/longer averaging/timer for UE metric based on NRSRP.

Proposal 4 It is up to UE implementation on how to use a hysteresis/longer averaging/timer for UE metric based on NRSRP.

Proposal 5 FFS on the need to introduce UE report and the content.

Proposal 6 FFS on paging carrier selection mechanism.

- Option 1c: Network enables UE to select a Rel-17 paging carrier by providing the coverage information (CEL/Rmax) for the carrier selection to the UE in dedicated signalling

- Option 2a: NW indicates the carrier to use explicitly via dedicated signalling based on information determined within the NW.

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| Agreements;* UE metric for determining carrier suitability and selection is based on NRSRP.
* Use a hysteresis/longer averaging/timer for UE metric based on NRSRP.
* FFS whether to introduce new UE report and/or whether to mandate support of existing Msg5 reporting.
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* [post115-e][302][NBIOT/eMTC R17] carrier selection (Ericsson)

 Scope: progress open issues, main aim is to converge on option 1c vs. 2a for decision in next meeting.

 Intended outcome: Report to next meeting

 Deadline: long

### 9.1.4 Other

Includes WI objectives led by other WGs.

Includes resubmission of [R2-2106603](file:///D%3A%5Cworkfiles%5C%5CRAN%5CRAN2%5CRAN2_114-e%5CDocs%5CR2-2106603.zip) Report of [AT114-e][302][NBIOT/eMTC R17] NB-IoT/eMTC Other (ZTE), ZTE

[R2-2107431](file:///D%3A%5Cworkfiles%5CRAN%5CRAN2%5CRAN2_115-e%5Cdocs%5CR2-2107431.zip) L2 buffer size calculations for eMTC and NB-IoT enhancements Huawei, HiSilicon discussion Rel-17 NB\_IOTenh4\_LTE\_eMTC6-Core

[R2-2107763](file:///D%3A%5Cworkfiles%5CRAN%5CRAN2%5CRAN2_115-e%5Cdocs%5CR2-2107763.zip) Remaining issues on 14 HARQ and 1736bits TBS for eMTC ZTE Corporation, Sanechips discussion NB\_IOTenh4\_LTE\_eMTC6-Core

[R2-2107764](file:///D%3A%5Cworkfiles%5CRAN%5CRAN2%5CRAN2_115-e%5Cdocs%5CR2-2107764.zip) Remaining issues on 16QAM for NB-IoT ZTE Corporation, Sanechips discussion NB\_IOTenh4\_LTE\_eMTC6-Core

[R2-2107996](file:///D%3A%5Cworkfiles%5CRAN%5CRAN2%5CRAN2_115-e%5Cdocs%5CR2-2107996.zip) Report of [AT114-e][302][NBIOT/eMTC R17] NB-IoT/eMTC Other ZTE (email discussion rapporteur) discussion Rel-17 NB\_IOTenh4\_LTE\_eMTC6-Core [R2-2106603](file:///D%3A%5Cworkfiles%5C%5CRAN%5CRAN2%5CRAN2_114-e%5CDocs%5CR2-2106603.zip)

[R2-2108392](file:///D%3A%5Cworkfiles%5CRAN%5CRAN2%5CRAN2_115-e%5Cdocs%5CR2-2108392.zip) Support of 16-QAM for unicast in UL and DL in NB-IoT Ericsson discussion [R2-2106078](file:///D%3A%5Cworkfiles%5C%5CRAN%5CRAN2%5CRAN2_114-e%5CDocs%5CR2-2106078.zip)

[R2-2108742](file:///D%3A%5Cworkfiles%5CRAN%5CRAN2%5CRAN2_115-e%5Cdocs%5CR2-2108742.zip) Total L2 Buffer Size for NB-IoT and LTE-M UEs Ericsson discussion Rel-17 NB\_IOTenh4\_LTE\_eMTC6-Core [R2-2106158](file:///D%3A%5Cworkfiles%5C%5CRAN%5CRAN2%5CRAN2_114-e%5CDocs%5CR2-2106158.zip)

[R2-2109030](file:///D%3A%5Cworkfiles%5CRAN%5CRAN2%5CRAN2_115-e%5Cdocs%5CR2-2109030.zip) Summary of AI 9.1.4 NB-IoT/eMTC Other (ZTE)

* **[AT115-e][303][NBIOT/eMTC R17] NB-IoT/eMTC Other (ZTE)**

 Scope: Produce set of agreeable proposals

 Intended outcome: Report in [R2-2108973](file:///D%3A%5Cworkfiles%5CRAN%5CRAN2%5CRAN2_115-e%5Cdocs%5CR2-2108973.zip)

 Deadline: Monday 23rd, 1200 UTC.

[R2-2108973](file:///D%3A%5Cworkfiles%5CRAN%5CRAN2%5CRAN2_115-e%5Cdocs%5CR2-2108973.zip) Summary of AI 9.1.4 NB-IoT/eMTC Other-Phase 2 (ZTE) ZTE

**For 16QAM:**

* **Proposal 1: Confirm the working assumption: The support of 16-QAM uses separate UE capabilities for DL and UL.**
* **Proposal 2: 16QAM is configured via dedicated signaling separately for UL and DL.**
* **(To discuss) Proposal 3: The working assumption that the L2 buffer size is 12000 bytes for the UE supporting 16-QAM cannot be confirmed. It’s suggested that the L2 buffer size is 16000 bytes for the UE supporting 16-QAM.**
* **(To discuss) Proposal 4: From RAN2 perspective, 16QAM related channel quality reporting in Msg3 is not supported.**
* Huawei thinks we can just wait for RAN1. QC thinks we need to see what happens in RAN1 and RAN4. Ericsson thinks we would use 16QAM only after Msg5 so Msg3 reporting may not be critical anyway.
* **Proposal A1: 16QAM can be supported for NPUSCH in PUR. A npusch 16QAM activation indication is needed in PUR configuration.**

**For 14 HARQ:**

* **Proposal 5: Confirm the working assumption: No change to current L2 buffer size requirement for HD-FDD Cat M1 UEs supporting 14 HARQ processes in DL.**

**For Max DL TBS of 1736 bits:**

* **Proposal 6: The table 4.1A-1 in TS 36.306 for DL Category M1 needs to be updated to indicate 1736 bits TBS and 43008 soft channel bits.**
* **(To discuss) Proposal 7: Max DL TBS of 1736 bits can be supported for PUR. FFS signaling details.**
* **Proposal 8: Max DL TBS of 1736 bits is not supported for EDT.**
* QC thinks there is no DL restriction and this is up to NW.
* **(To discuss) Proposal A3: For DL TBS of 1736 bits for HD-FDD UEs, RAN2 discuss whether the current L2 buffer size (20000 bytes) needs to be changed to 30000bytes.**

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| Agreements:For 16QAM* Confirm the working assumption: The support of 16-QAM uses separate UE capabilities for DL and UL.
* 16QAM is configured via dedicated signaling separately for UL and DL.
* A NPUSCH 16QAM activation indication is needed in PUR configuration.

For 14 HARQ* Confirm the working assumption: No change to current L2 buffer size requirement for HD-FDD Cat M1 UEs supporting 14 HARQ processes in DL.

For Max DL TBS of 1736 bits:* The table 4.1A-1 in TS 36.306 for DL Category M1 needs to be updated to indicate 1736 bits TBS and 43008 soft channel bits.
* Max DL TBS of 1736 bits can be supported for PUR.
* FFS EDT support.
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