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- Clause 7 is based on standard ANSI/SCTE 110 (2005).
- Addition of informative Annex A concerning hybrid management sub-layer.

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INTRODUCTION

Standards of the IEC 60728 series deal with cable networks including equipment and associated methods of measurement for headend reception, processing and distribution of television signals, sound signals and their associated data signals and for processing, interfacing and transmitting all kinds of signals for interactive services using all applicable transmission media.

This includes

- CATV¹-networks;
- MATV-networks and SMATV-networks;
- individual receiving networks;

and all kinds of equipment, systems and installations installed in such networks.

The extent of this standardization work is from the antennas and/or special signal source inputs to the head-end or other interface points to the network up to the terminal input.

The standardization of any user terminals (i.e. tuners, receivers, decoders, multimedia terminals, etc.) as well as of any coaxial, balanced and optical cables and accessories thereof is excluded.

The following differences exist in some countries:

The Japanese *de facto* standard (NCTEA S-006) concerning requirements for the HFC outside plant management, which was published in 1995, has already been available in Japan. The purpose of this standard is to support the design and implementation of interoperable management systems for HFC cable networks used in Japan.

¹ This word encompasses the HFC networks used nowadays to provide telecommunications services, voice, data, audio and video both broadcast and narrowcast.

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Part 7-3: Hybrid fibre coax outside plant status monitoring – Power supply to transponder interface bus (PSTIB)

1 Scope

This part of IEC 60728 specifies requirements for the Hybrid Fibre Coax (HFC) Outside Plant (OSP) Power Supplies (PS). This standard is part of a series developed to support the design and implementation of interoperable management systems for evolving HFC cable networks. The purpose of the standards is to support the design and implementation of interoperable management systems for evolving HFC cable networks. The Power Supply to Transponder Interface Bus (PSTIB) specification describes the physical (PHY) interface and related messaging and protocols implemented at the Data Link Layer (DLL), layers 1 and 2 respectively in the 7-layer ISO-OSI reference model, that support communications between compliant transponders and the managed OSP power supplies and other related power equipment to which they interface.

This standard describes the PSTIB PHY and DLL layer requirements and protocols that shall be implemented to support reliable communications between all type 2 and type 3 compliant OSP transponders on the HFC plant and managed OSP power supplies and related hardware. Any exceptions to compliance with this standard will be specifically noted as necessary.

Transponder type classifications referenced within the HMS series of standards are defined in Table 1.

Table 1 – Transponder type classifications

Type	Description	Application
Type 0	Refers to legacy transponder equipment which is incapable of supporting the specifications	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> This transponder interfaces with legacy network equipment through proprietary means. This transponder could be managed through the same management applications as the other types through proxies or other means at the head-end.
Type 1	Refers to stand-alone transponder equipment (legacy or new), which can be upgraded to support the specifications	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> This transponder interfaces with legacy network equipment through proprietary means. Type 1 is a standards-compliant transponder (either manufactured to the standard or upgraded) that connects to legacy network equipment via a proprietary interface.
Type 2	Refers to a stand-alone, compliant transponder	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> This transponder interfaces with network equipment designed to support the electrical and physical specifications defined in the standards. It can be factory or field-installed. Its RF connection is independent of the monitored NE.
Type 3	Refers to a stand-alone or embedded, compliant transponder	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> This transponder interfaces with network equipment designed to support the electrical specifications defined in the standards. It may or may not support the physical specifications defined in the standards. It can be factory-installed. It may or may not be field-installed. Its RF connection is through the monitored NE.

A list of documents in the HMS specifications family is provided in informative Annex A.

2 Normative references

The following referenced documents are indispensable for the application of this document. For dated references, only the edition cited applies. For undated references, the latest edition of the referenced document (including any amendments) applies.

IEC 60603-7, *Connectors for electronic equipment – Part 7: Detail specification for 8-way, unshielded, free and fixed connectors*

3 Terms, definitions and abbreviations

3.1 Terms and definitions

For the purposes of this document, the following definitions apply.

3.1.1

data link layer

DLL

layer 2 in the Open System Interconnection (OSI) architecture; the layer that provides services to transfer data over the physical transmission link between open systems

3.1.2

network element

NE

an active element in the outside plant (OSP) that is capable of receiving commands from a head-end element (HE) in the head-end and, as necessary, providing status information and alarms back to the HE

3.1.3

open system interconnection

OSI

framework of International Organization for Standardization (ISO) standards for communication between multi-vendor systems that organizes the communication process into seven different categories that are placed in a layered sequence based on the relationship to the user. Each layer uses the layer immediately below it and provides services to the layer above. Layers 7 through 4 deal with end-to-end communication between the message source and destination, and layers 3 through 1 deal with network functions

3.1.4

physical layer

PHY

layer 1 in the Open System Interconnection (OSI) architecture; the layer that provides services to transmit bits or groups of bits over a transmission link between open systems and which entails electrical, mechanical and handshaking procedures

3.1.5

transponder

device that interfaces to outside plant (OSP) NEs and relays status and alarm information to the HE. It can interface with an active NE via an arrangement of parallel analogue, parallel digital and serial ports

3.2 Abbreviations

CATV	Community Antenna Television (network)
DLE	Data Link Escape
DLL	Data Link Layer
EIA	Electronic Industries Alliance
EMS	Element Management System
ETX	End of Text
Gnd	Ground
HE	Head-end Element
HFC	Hybrid Fibre Coax
HMS	Hybrid Management Sub-Layer
ISO	International Organization for Standardization
LED	Light Emitting Diode
MAC	Media Access Control
MATV	Master Antenna Television (network)
MIB	Management Information Base
NE	Network Element
OSI	Open System Interconnection
OSP	Outside Plant
PHY	Physical
PSTIB	Power Supply to Transponder Interface Bus
RF	Radio Frequency
Rx	Receive
SNMP	Simple Network Management Protocol
STX	Start of Text
Tx	Transmit
Tx En	Transmit Enable
xpndr	Transponder

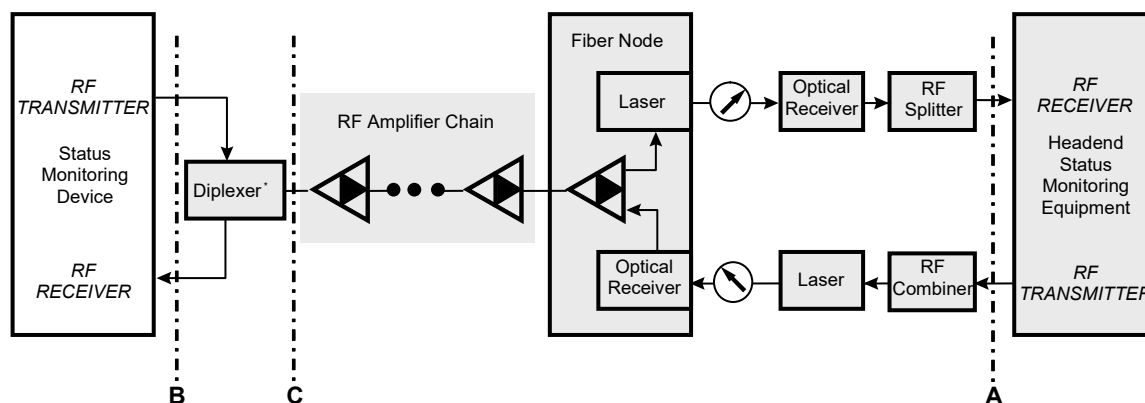
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4 Reference architecture forward and return channel specifications

The reference architecture for the series of specifications is illustrated in Figure 1.



* The diplexer filter may be included as part of the network element to which the transponder interfaces, or it may be added separately by the network operator.

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Figure 1 – Reference architecture diagram

All quantities relating to forward channel transmission or reverse channel reception are measured at point A in Figure 1. All quantities relating to forward channel reception or reverse channel transmission are measured at point B for two-port devices and point C for single-port devices as shown in Figure 1.

5 Power supply to transponder interface bus specification overview

5.1 General

PSTIB specification defines a status monitoring topology intended to replace existing analog, discrete status monitoring interfaces used today for monitoring power supplies and other power-related equipment deployed in HFC networks. In this topology, the transponder is simplified by moving all measurements and sensors to the monitored equipment, i.e. power supply or other power equipment. The transponder interfaces to the monitored equipment through a single multi-conductor cable. Transponder power is also provided through this interface. The power supply or other monitored power equipment assumes responsibility for measuring battery parameters, voltages, and other data associated with the equipment installation. Status and commands are passed between transponder and monitored equipment via a serial data interface bus.

The data protocol and command set are simple enough to be implemented in a simple microcontroller. The communication protocol is open and expandable so that as new requirements are defined they can be easily added to new revisions of this specification.

5.2 Interface compliance

Transponder and power supply vendors meeting the mechanical and electrical interface requirements at the PHY layer and the packet and protocol message formats at the DLL layer that are defined within this specification are said to be interface compliant. A Get_Configuration command (see 8.4.3) enables the transponder to determine compliance with a particular revision of this standard for power supplies or other power equipment. Support for this capability is critical as the PSTIB specification is updated over time and power supply equipment supporting different revisions of this specification co-exists within the same network.

5.3 Implementation compliance

Not all vendors will support the complete data set defined throughout this standard. The Get_Configuration response (see 8.4.3) provides the transponder or EMS with the specific status data that is and is not supported for each installation.

5.4 Revision control

The command and response data in this standard are synchronized with associated HMS SNMP MIBs (see Table A.1) that are used to represent this data in management systems. To maintain synchronization, a revision control mechanism shall exist. Therefore, any time this standard is revised so that new data items are added to any command or response, those data items shall be appended to the END of an existing command or response definition. New command and response sequences may also be created as needed. No revision shall change the location, definition or function of a previously defined datum.

6 Power supply to transponder interface bus – Physical layer specification

6.1 Interface requirements

6.1.1 Connector type

The physical connector to support serial communications over the PSTIB between compliant transponders and managed OSP power supply hardware shall implement the following:

- RJ-45 connector, eight-wire conductor, according to IEC 60603-7;
- appropriate metallic plating for outdoor usage;
- operating temperature: $-40\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$ to $+70\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$;
- dual connectors wired in parallel shall be included on the monitored equipment to support daisy-chaining multiple monitored devices from a single compliant transponder.

6.1.2 Communications interface

The communications interface shall support the EIA RS-485 [1].

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6.1.3 Connector signals

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Connector pins shall support signalling as described in Table 2.

Table 2 – RJ-45 Connector pin assignment

Connector pin number	Signal
1, 8	Ground
2, 7	$+24\text{ V}_{\text{DC}} \pm 15\%$ at 200 mA
3, 6	RS-485 (+)
4, 5	RS-485 (–)

6.1.4 Transponder power

Powering of transponders from PSTIB interface compliant power supplies shall support the following attributes:

- the transponder is powered only from the power supply. The transponder shall not connect directly to the system batteries;
- the power supply shall implement appropriate isolation and system grounding so that the communication interface and transponder power remains functional under the operating conditions defined herein;
- the transponder shall be bonded to chassis ground directly and/or through the system co-axial cable sheath;

- d) optionally, transponder power may be bonded to chassis ground at the power supply interface. The power supply vendor shall determine this;
- e) the power supply shall implement appropriate over-current and short-circuit protection of transponder power so that the communication interface and transponder power remain functional under the operating conditions defined herein;
- f) up to eight (8) power supplies may be connected in parallel using the RS-485 interface.

6.1.5 Line balance

6.1.5.1 Monitored equipment

Line balance for monitored equipment shall be implemented as follows:

- a) RS-485 (+) to a DC voltage of +5 V through a resistor (jumper/switch removable);
- b) RS-485 (–) to ground through a resistor (jumper/switch removable);
- c) RS-485 (+) tied to RS-485 (–) through a resistor (jumper/switch removable);
- d) monitored equipment shall include jumpers to select or bypass resistors to an open state. Jumper or switch-selectable terminating resistors enable on-site configuration of individual installations. Transponders shall include line balance resistors only. Refer to Figure 2.

6.1.5.2 Transponder

Line balance for transponders shall be implemented as follows:

- RS-485 (+) tied to RS-485 (–) through a required resistor.

NOTE Values for each resistor and the decision to include or exclude specific bias resistors as a default should be determined by individual vendors.

6.1.6 Cable length

A maximum cable length of 1 219,2 m (4 000 ft) (for 100 kbit/s) properly terminated wire segment.

6.1.7 Data encoding

Non-return to zero (NRZ), asynchronous, 1 start bit, 8 data bits (ordering: bit 1,2 ... 8), 1 stop bit. All integers are transmitted most significant byte first. Any exceptions to this rule will be specifically noted in this standard as necessary.

6.1.8 Bit rate

The bit rate supported shall be 9 600 Bd.

6.1.9 Duplex

This interface shall support half duplex operation. Multi-drop characteristics of RS-485 enable up to 32 drops per segment without signal repeaters.

6.1.10 Method of communications

All communication is transponder-initiated. One monitored device response per query.

6.1.11 Indicators

A LED or other visual device installed at the monitored equipment shall indicate communication has been established with a transponder over the PSTIB interface.