



Control interface for antenna line devices

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1. FOREWORD

This standard has been produced by the Antenna Interface Standards Group to facilitate the introduction of antenna line products with remote control and monitoring facilities. The purpose of this standard is to ensure basic interoperability of antennas and control infrastructure.

AISG supports compatibility with the relevant parts of 3GPP specification in all points which are specified in the relevant standards [15..18]. These documents are included as references in the present AISG standard. To ensure compatibility, all relevant parts of the 3GPP specifications [15..18] shall take precedence if any contradiction is detected. Backward compatibility is not provided between the present version of this standard and AISG 1.1.

A number of aspects of this specification are subject to extension and development to accommodate new requirements. Members are recommended to consult the AISG Website (www.aisg.org.uk) for information on current or forthcoming updates.



2. SCOPE

This document specifies the necessary additions to the 3GPP specifications [15], [16], [17] and [18] for antennas implementing remote electrical tilt (RETs) and tower-mounted amplifiers (TMAs). In order to add new antenna line devices (for example VSWR measuring units) new releases of this specification will be released from time to time.

NOTE: Reference [15] contains an introduction to the UTRAN Iu-nt interface.

Reference [16] contains descriptions of the different layer 1 options: RS485 or modem.

This document defines a standard data interface at an antenna line device by means of which functional parameters of the device can be remotely controlled; specifically it defines the requirements of a three-layer protocol model. The three-layer model is a compact form of the OSI seven-layer reference model and includes only layers 1, 2 and 7. The advantage of this compact model is that it provides an efficient protocol stack suitable for implementation on a single embedded microcontroller.

Layer 1, the physical layer, defines the signalling levels, basic data characteristics including bit rate and the preferred input connector.

Layer 2, the data link layer, is based on a custom subset of the HDLC standard as defined in [13].

Layer 7, the application layer, defines the data payload format and the required command set.

In addition, this document defines recommended environmental parameters, together with recommended standards for safety, electromagnetic compatibility (EMC) and electromagnetic pulse (EMP).

Antenna line devices may include RET antennas, TMAs, boosters, VSWR measuring units and other tower-top equipment. All these (and others) can be implemented using the system described in this standard, but each *device type* (kind of equipment) needs separate definition according to its control and monitoring requirements.

This standard is applicable to equipment designed for operation in any type of mobile radio fixed infrastructure.



3. REFERENCES

This AISG standard incorporates provisions from other publications. These are cited in the text and the referenced publications are listed below. Where references are dated, subsequent amendments or revisions of these publications apply only when specifically incorporated by amendment or revision of this AISG standard. For undated references the latest edition of the publication referred to applies.

- 1 EMC Directive, 83/336/EEC
- 2 ETS 300 342 2 Radio equipment and systems (RES): Electromagnetic compatibility (EMC) for European digital cellular communications system (GSM 900MHz and DCS 1800MHz); Part 2: Base station radio and ancillary equipment
- 3 ETS 301 489 8 Electromagnetic compatibility and radio spectrum matters (ERM); Electromagnetic compatibility (EMC) standard for radio equipment and services; Part 8: Specific conditions for GSM base stations
- 4 ETS 301 489 23 Electromagnetic compatibility and radio spectrum matters (ERM); Electromagnetic compatibility (EMC) standard for radio equipment and services; Part 23: Specific conditions for IMT-2000 CDMA Direct Spread (UTRA) base station (BS) radio, repeater and ancillary equipment
- 5 IEC 60130-9 (Ed. 3.0, May 2000): Connectors for frequencies below 3 MHz – Part 9: Circular connectors for radio and associated sound equipment
- 6 IEC 60529 (Feb 2001): Degrees of protection provided by enclosures (IP Code)
- 7 IEC 61000-4-5 01-Feb-1995 Electromagnetic compatibility (EMC) - Part 4: Testing and measurement techniques - Section 5: Surge immunity test
- 8 IEC 62305-4 Protection against lightning – Part 4: Electrical and electronic systems within structures
- 9 (Reference not required)
- 10 ISO/IEC 646:1991 Information technology – 7-bit coded character set for information exchange
- 11 ISO/IEC 7498-1:1994: Information technology – Open Systems Interconnection Basic Reference Model: The Basic Model
- 12 ISO/IEC 8482:1993: Information technology – Telecommunications and information exchange between systems - Twisted pair multipoint interconnections
- 13 ISO/IEC 13239 (2nd Edition, March 2000): Information Technology – Telecommunications and information exchange between systems – High-level data link control (HDLC) procedures
- 14 RTTE Directive 99/5/EEC
- 15 3GPP TS25.460 UTRAN Iuant Interface General Aspects and Principles Release 6
- 16 3GPP TS25.461 UTRAN Iuant Interface Layer 1 Release 6
- 17 3GPP TS25.462 UTRAN Iuant Interface Signalling Transport Release 6
- 18 3GPP TS25.463 UTRAN Iuant Interface Remote Electrical Tilting (RET) Release 6



4. ABBREVIATIONS

Where abbreviations or acronyms are used in this document they have the following meanings:

ADR	Address
ALD	Antenna line device
ASCII	American Standard Code for Information Interchange
CRC	Cyclic redundancy check
EMC	Electromagnetic compatibility
EMP	Electromagnetic pulse
ETS	European Telecommunications Standard
I	Information (frame type)
IEC	International Electrotechnical Commission (www.iec.ch)
INFO	Information (field name)
ISO	International Standard Organization (www.iso.org)
OSI	Open systems interconnection, as described in ISO/IEC 7498-1
RET	Remote electrical tilt unit (antenna drive unit)
RS485	A physical interface conforming to ISO/IEC 8482 (ANSI-EIA RS485)
RTTE	Radio and Telecommunications Terminal Equipment
TMA	Tower-mounted amplifier
XID	Exchange ID (Frame type)
3GPP	3 rd Generation Partnership Project



5. TERMINOLOGY AND DEFINITIONS

Where the following terms are used in this document, they have the meanings listed below.

ALD modem	A modem and current injector used between the antenna feeder cable and one or more antenna line devices.
Antenna line	A group of logical devices associated with one or more antenna systems, which may include antenna drives, amplifiers and other equipment.
Antenna line device	A generic term for an addressable physical device, such as an antenna drive or amplifier.
ASCII character	A character forming part of the International Reference Version of the 7-bit character set defined in ISO/IEC 646:1991.
Device type	One octet identifying the type of a device.
Daisy chain	A connection method in which a number of devices are sequentially connected to a single cable, corresponding electrical connections being made in parallel at each device.
Modem	A device providing a layer 1 conversion between On-Off keying and RS485 (typically integrated into TMAs).
Octet	8 bits as used in [13].
On-Off keying	A simple modulation system in which a carrier is switched between two states, ON and OFF.
Return code	A code which defines information about the outcome of an elementary procedure execution.
Reset	A process by which the device is put in the state it reaches after a completed power-up.
Serial number	An identifying alphanumeric designation for each product complying with this specification, assigned by the product manufacturer and having a maximum length of 17 octets. The serial number is stored as ASCII characters (see above). NOTE that the combination of serial number and vendor code may be used to address antenna line devices on one or more complete mobile radio networks, so each vendor must manage the allocation of serial numbers to ensure they are never duplicated. The provision of the vendor code allows each vendor to manage serial numbers independently in accordance with their own established practice within the assigned field, the only constraint being that they are not repeated.
TMA	A TMA comprises a low noise amplifier together with its control and monitoring electronics and optional modem.
TMA subunit	A TMA may comprise more than one TMA subunit combined



Vendor code	<p>in a single physical entity. All TMA subunits within one TMA have the same layer 2 HDLC address and are addressable by an index via layer 7 procedures.</p> <p>A unique ASCII 2-character code assigned by AISG to each vendor manufacturing products conforming to this specification (See Appendix A for a list of assigned vendor codes).</p>
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6. LAYER 1

All definitions and specifications for RET devices in the reference [15] and [16] regarding Lant Layer 1 apply to ALDs in the present standard.

6.1. Extended Specifications

6.1.1. Device terminating impedance

It is not required for the RS485 to be terminated at the ALD. Devices without termination connected to the bus should conform to the following parameters:

Resistance between RS485 A and RS485 B	> 1k ohm
Resistance between RS485 A or RS485 B and DC return / RS485 GND	>1k ohm
Capacitance between RS485 A and RS485 B	< 1nF
Capacitance between RS485 A or RS485 B and DC/RS485 GND	< 1nF

6.1.2. Bus terminating impedance (Informative)

An RS485 bus is preferably terminated in an impedance equal to the characteristic impedance of the cable used to connect bus devices together. Termination may be found to be unnecessary for short connections operating at low data rates and is therefore not mandatory.

6.2. Antenna line network (Informative)

The RS485 implementation of Layer 1 supports the connection of multiple ALDs forming an ALD network. Connections to multiple devices can be made using star or daisy-chain configurations.

When the connection topology requires one ALD to pass current to other downstream ALDs, it is important to ensure that each ALD can support the downstream current requirement.

6.2.1. Network current consumption

The total current consumption of an antenna line network is not specified as it will depend on the size of the network, the ALDs used and the primary station software design.

6.2.2. Maximum ALD network current demand

A RET will exhibit high current consumption only for controlled and limited periods. An ALD network may therefore be designed to support a total current consumption that is lower



than the sum of the maximum consumption in the operating mode as specified in [16] of each ALD. It is the responsibility of the ALD controller (ie the primary station) to avoid overload and secure a stable operating voltage for the ALDs. Specifically the primary station must ensure that high current devices such as RETs are not operated simultaneously.

6.2.3. Overcurrent protection

No short circuit protection capability is specified in this standard for separate ALDs. Attention is drawn to the need to avoid by design the possibility of damage to ALDs or interconnecting cables by short circuit faults, and to reduce the possibility of multiple devices being disabled by a single fault.

6.3. Interface Connector types

A multi-core cable connection to an ALD and its pin connections shall conform to Paragraph 6.3.1.

6.3.1. Multi-pole connector

Type: 8-pin circular connector conforming to IEC 60130-9 - Ed. 3.0 with screw-ring locking.

Environmental rating: IP67 with and without fitted cap (see [6])

NOTE: It is recommended that unused connectors are fitted with caps.

Current rating: Capable of supporting a current of 5A on any pin

Pin connections are defined in Table 6.3.1 below.

Table 6.3.1: Multi-pole connector pin-out

Pin Number	Signal	Requirement	Description
1	+12V DC nominal	Optional	
2	- 48V DC nominal	Optional	
3	RS485 B	Mandatory	Supplied voltage Vb.
4	RS485 GND	Optional	Isolated from DC return and ground.
5	RS485 A	Mandatory	Supplied voltage Va.
6	10V – 30V DC	Mandatory	
7	DC return	Mandatory	Not grounded for any device deriving its DC power through this connector.
8	N/C	Optional	Reserved for future use.



The screening braid of the cable shall be connected to the grounded body of the ALD by way of the connector shell.

If more than one connector is installed in a secondary device (daisy chaining), at least the mandatory pins shall be connected through.

NOTE!

Some hardware compliant with Issue AISG 1.0 of this standard may have RS485 A and B lines reversed compared with that shown above.

In such cases the use of a cross-over adapter may be required to be interoperable with such systems.

6.3.2. Polarity of multi-pole connectors

Each ALD shall be fitted with a minimum of one data connector. Additional connectors may be provided if preferred for daisy chain applications.

The polarity of the multi-pole connector pins shall follow the principle that live male connector pins are not exposed at any point, thus typically:

Node-B / BTS: Where the RS485 interface is provided:
Socket(s) with female pins;

TMA: When the TMA contains an ALD modem
Output socket(s) with female pins;

When TMA control is to be independent of the RF cable: One input socket with male pins and optionally a second (output) socket with female pins;

RET units: One input socket with male pins and optionally a second (output) socket with female pins;

Interconnecting cables: Plug with male pins at one end
Plug with female pins at the other end.

The polarity of the thread on the retaining ring is specified in IEC 60130-9. Components with female connector pins are associated with a screw ring having a female thread; those with male pins are associated with a male locking thread.



6.4. DC supply

Optionally to the specified voltage range in [16] one of the following voltage ranges or a combination hereof may be supported:

- 12V: 10.0V to 15.0V
- 48V: -39.0V to -57.0V

NOTE: In the case where only RET Antennas and TMAs are used, the same power option is recommended for both devices in order to avoid the usage of DC/DC converters in the TMAs, ALD modems or in other tower top equipment.

6.4.1. Noise and ripple

The levels of generated conducted noise and ripple on the ports of the ALD modem shall be within the following limits:

Table 6.4.1.

Item	Limit	Frequency	Remarks
TMA	20mV _{pp}	0.15 – 30MHz	
ALD modem, RF port	15mV _{pp}	0.15 – 30MHz	Generated N&R at RF feeder (in RXmode).
ALD modem, DC port	20mV _{pp}	0.15 – 30 MHz	Allowed N&R at external DC port (in TX mode).

6.4.2. TMA DC power consumption

For single TMAs the maximum power consumption in operating mode shall be < 7.5W, including the ALD modem. For multiple TMAs the maximum power consumption is increased by 7.5W for each additional amplifier.

6.4.3. TMA power-up characteristics

A TMA (including its optional ALD modem) shall have a maximum power-up period of 3 s. After the power-up period, the TMA and the ALD modem shall be fully functional and the power consumption requirement as described in sub-clause 6.4.2 applies.



6.4.4. TMA inrush current

A TMA (including its optional ALD modem) shall exhibit the circuit equivalent of a DC power consumer with a current consumption of maximum 1 A in parallel with a capacitor of maximum 0.5 μ F.

6.5. Resumption of operation

After reset (see [17]) or power-up, the ALD shall not resume or restart any elementary procedures (e.g. self-test, calibration or tilt setting). Data shall be retained as specified below.

6.5.1. RETs

During loss of DC power, antennas with RETs continue in normal RF operation but will lose control functionality.

The following data shall be retained:

- Tilt setting
- Configuration data
- Calibration status
- Additional data (see [18, Annex B])
- User data

If power is interrupted during a tilt change operation and as a result the position is lost or uncertain, then a NotCalibrated alarm must be generated on re-connection of power.

NOTE: These systems may be left unpowered for extended periods.

6.5.2. TMAs

The following data shall be retained:

- Mode setting
- Gain setting
- Additional data (see Annex C)
- User data



7. LAYER 2

All definitions and specifications for RET devices in reference [17] regarding Layer 2 are valid for all antenna line devices included in the present standard.

In the following chapter extended specifications to layer 2 are defined.

7.1. Device Types

In extension to [17] additional device types are allowed. In the following table the additional device types are shown:

Table 7.1.1: Device type

Device Type	1-octet hexadecimal code
Tower mounted low-noise amplifier (TMA)	0x02

7.2. Protocol Version

In addition to the XID negotiation in [17] the parameter “AISG Protocol Version” is defined as follows:

Table 7.2.1: Protocol version

FI	GI	PI	PL	Description of PV
0x81	0xF0	20 (decimal)	1	AISG Protocol Version number (the number called A in paragraph 9).

The AISG protocol version number shall be a one octet unsigned integer in the range 2 to 255 (inclusive).

All primaries shall negotiate AISG version immediately after address assignment (and possibly the 3GPP version negotiation), so both parties know that the AISG protocol is used.

An example of AISG protocol version negotiation is shown in Annex E.



7.3 Device Type Substance Version Parameter

In addition to the XID negotiation in [17] the parameter “Device Type Substance Version” is defined as follows:

Table 7.3.1: Device Type Substance Version

FI	GI	PI	PL	Description of PV
0x81	0xF0	21 (decimal)	2	First octet is the device type and second octet is the unsigned substance version (the number called C in paragraph 9) of the extension document

Devices defined in [17] and in this document shall have the extension substance version 0 (one octet unsigned integer).



8. LAYER 7

The application layer includes the common elementary procedures as defined in [18] and is extended by AISG specific procedures.

8.1. Return and alarm codes

An annotated table of return and alarm codes is given in [18]. Return and alarm codes for additional device types are provided in Annex B of this document.

8.2. Procedure message interpretation

For ALDs using the AISG protocol (see Para 7.2), the following rules shall extend the message interpretation rules in [18, Para. 6.2.2].

The following rule shall be inserted after the second message interpretation rule in [18, Para. 6.2.2]:

- If a secondary device in the OperatingMode state receives a procedure message which is undefined for this device type, it shall respond with "Unknown Procedure".

An additional rule, at the bottom of the list, shall be:

- If the addressed device subunit does not exist "FormatError" shall be returned.

8.3. Overview of Elementary Procedures for TMAs

All TMAs are defined as multiple TMAs. TMA subunits shall be numbered starting with 1 and proceeding upwards. Single TMAs are defined as multiple TMAs with one subunit. The error message format for TMA procedures follows that of multiple RET devices (see [18]).

Table 8.3.1 TMA specific elementary procedures

Command	Requirement	Comment
TMASetMode	optional	Shall only be supported if the TMA subunit supports bypass mode
TMAGetMode	mandatory	
TMAGetSupportedFunctions	mandatory	
TMASetGain	optional	Shall only be supported if the TMA subunit supports



		variable gain
TMAGetGain	mandatory	
TMASetDeviceData	mandatory	
TMAGetDeviceData	mandatory	
TMAAlarmIndication	mandatory	
TMAClearActiveAlarms	mandatory	
TMAGetAlarmStatus	mandatory	
TMAGetNumberOfSubunits	mandatory	

8.4. Specification of Elementary Procedures

8.4.1. TMA Set Mode

The TMA Set Mode procedure shall only be supported if the TMA subunit can be set in bypass mode. On receipt of the initiating message, the secondary device shall first set the TMA subunit in the appropriate mode as indicated by the state flag, and then return a response message. If a TMA subunit in bypass mode receives the elementary procedure TMASetMode to Bypass, the elementary procedure shall not be performed but the response OK shall be returned.

State flag = 0 represents *Normal mode*.

State flag = 1 represents *Bypass mode*.

Table 8.4.1.1: Elementary procedure TMA Set Mode

Name: TMA Set Mode				
Code:	Issued by:	Procedure class:	DownloadMode state:	Power mode:
0x70	Primary device	1	No	n/a

Table 8.4.1.2: Initiating message parameters and format TMA Set Mode

Number	Length	Type	Description
1	1 octet	Unsigned integer	Subunit number
2	1 octet	Unsigned integer	State flag

Table 8.4.1.3: Response message parameters and format for TMA Set Mode

Number	Length	Type	Description
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1	1 octet	Unsigned integer	Subunit number
2	1 octet	ReturnCode	Return code OK

Table 8.4.1.4: Return codes for TMA Set Mode

OK	FAIL	Comment
	FormatError	
	Busy	
	HardwareError	HardwareError shall refer to a detected inability to switch mode.
	WorkingSoftwareMissing	
	UnsupportedProcedure	UnsupportedProcedure shall be returned if set mode is not supported by the TMA subunit.
	OutOfRange	OutOfRange shall be returned if the state flag has another value than those listed in the procedure description.
	MajorTMAFault	MajorTMAFault shall be returned if the TMA subunit is in bypass mode due to a major TMA fault and TMASetMode to Normal is received.
	MinorTMAFault	MinorTMAFault shall be returned if the TMA subunit is in bypass mode due to a minor TMA fault and TMASetMode to Normal is received.

8.4.2. TMA Get Mode



On receipt of the initiating message, the secondary device shall respond with the state flag indicating whether the TMA subunit is in normal mode or in bypass mode. TMA subunits which do not support bypass mode shall return Normal mode.

State flag = 0x00 represents *Normal mode*.

State flag = 0x01 represents *Bypass mode*.

Table 8.4.2.1: Elementary procedure TMA Get Mode

Name: TMA Get Mode				
Code:	Issued by:	Procedure class:	DownloadMode state:	Power mode:
0x71	Primary device	1	No	n/a

Table 8.4.2.2: Initiating message parameters and format for TMA Get Mode

Number	Length	Type	Description
1	1 octet	Unsigned integer	Subunit number

Table 8.4.2.3: Response message parameters and format for TMA Get Mode

Number	Length	Type	Description
1	1 octet	Unsigned integer	Subunit number
2	1 octet	ReturnCode	Return code OK
3	1 octet	Unsigned integer	State flag

Table 8.4.2.4: Return codes TMA Get Mode

OK	FAIL	Comment
	FormatError Busy WorkingSoftwareMissing	

8.4.3. TMA Get Supported Functions



On receipt of the initiating message, the secondary device shall respond with the function flags and parameters indicating the supported functionality of the addressed TMA subunit.

Function flags:

Bit	7 to 1	0
Function	Spare	Bypass Mode

- Bits are numbered from 0....7, bit number 0 set to 1 represents the value 0x01
- Bit value 0 represents function is not supported
- Bit value 1 represents function is supported
- Spare bits shall be set to 0

Table 8.4.3.1: Elementary procedure TMAGetSupportedFunctions

Name: TMA Get Supported Functions				
Code:	Issued by:	Procedure class:	DownloadMode state:	Power mode:
0x7A	Primary device	1	No	n/a

Table 8.4.3.2: Initiating message parameters and format for TMAGetSupportedFunctions

Number	Length	Type	Description
1	1 octet	Unsigned integer	Subunit number

Table 8.4.3.3: Response message parameters and format for TMAGetSupportedFunctions

Number	Length	Type	Description
1	1 octet	Unsigned integer	Subunit number
2	1 octet	ReturnCode	Return code OK
3	1 octet	Unsigned integer	Function flags
4	1 octet	Unsigned integer	Min Gain capability (expressed in dB/4)
5	1 octet	Unsigned integer	Max Gain capability (expressed in dB/4)
6	1 octet	Unsigned integer	Resolution capability (expressed in dB/4)

Description:

1. A fixed gain TMA subunit shall have min and max gain as the same value.
2. If the resolution is zero, then non linear gain steps are supported (e.g. 3dB and 6dB and 12dB).



NOTE: These parameters represent absolute fixed physical data. Any change of the corresponding parameter in the additional data will not have any operational impact on the TMA.

Table 8.4.3.4: Return codes TMAGetSupportedFunctions

OK	FAIL	Comment
	FormatError Busy WorkingSoftwareMissing	

8.4.4. TMA Set Gain

The procedure TMASetGain shall only be supported if the TMA subunit gain can be adjusted. On receipt of the initiating message, the secondary device shall first set the addressed TMA subunit to the gain determined by the TMA gain figure parameter, and then return the response message. The TMA gain figure parameter is calculated as 4 times the required gain expressed in dB. (This method of specification allows the gain to be set with a resolution of 0.25 dB while using an integer parameter.)

If the TMA subunit is set in bypass mode by TMASetMode, and TMASetGain is received, then the procedure shall be performed and bypass mode shall be retained.

Gain shall be accepted if $G_{min} \leq G_{demanded} \leq G_{max}$

For linear steps: $G_{demanded} = (G_{min} + n * G_{resolution})$ where n is a non-negative integer

For non-linear steps: $G_{demanded}$ must be equal to a supported value.

G_{min} , G_{max} and $G_{resolution}$ are reported by TMAGetSupportedFunctions.

For all other values of $G_{demanded}$, the TMA subunit shall respond UnsupportedValue.

Table 8.4.4.1: Elementary procedure TMA Set Gain

Name: TMA Set Gain				
Code:	Issued by:	Procedure class:	DownloadMode state:	Power mode:
0x72	Primary device	1	No	n/a



Table 8.4.4.2: Initiating message parameters and format TMA Set Gain

Number	Length	Type	Description
1	1 octet	Unsigned integer	Subunit number
2	1 octet	Unsigned integer	TMA gain figure

Table 8.4.4.3: Response message parameters and format for TMA Set Gain

Number	Length	Type	Description
1	1 octet	Unsigned integer	Subunit number
2	1 octet	ReturnCode	Return code OK

Table 8.4.4.4: Return codes for TMA Set Gain

OK	FAIL	Comment
	FormatError	
	Busy	
	HardwareError	HardwareError shall refer to the detected inability to set the gain according to the instruction, although it is within the TMA gain adjustment range.
	WorkingSoftwareMissing	
	UnsupportedProcedure	UnsupportedProcedure shall be returned if gain adjustment is not supported by the TMA subunit.
	UnsupportedValue	The requested value is not supported.
	MajorTMAFault	MajorTMAFault shall be returned if the TMA subunit is in major alarm mode.
	MinorTMAFault	MinorTMAFault shall be returned if the TMA subunit is in minor alarm mode.



8.4.5. TMA Get Gain

On receipt of the initiating message, the secondary shall return the set gain of the TMA subunit. Fixed gain TMA subunits shall return their fixed gain value. The TMA gain figure is calculated as 4 times the set gain expressed in dB.

Table 8.4.5.1: Elementary procedure TMA Get Gain

Name: TMA Get Gain				
Code:	Issued by:	Procedure class:	DownloadMode state:	Power mode:
0x73	Primary device	1	No	n/a

Table 8.4.5.2: Initiating message parameters and format TMA Get Gain

Number	Length	Type	Description
1	1 octet	Unsigned integer	Subunit number

Table 8.4.5.3: Response message parameters and format for TMA Get Gain

Number	Length	Type	Description
1	1 octet	Unsigned integer	Subunit number
2	1 octet	Return Code	Return code OK
3	1 octet	Unsigned integer	TMA gain figure

Table 8.4.5.4: Return codes for TMA Get Gain

OK	FAIL	Comment
	FormatError Busy WorkingSoftwareMissing MajorTMAFault	MajorTMAFault shall be returned if the TMA subunit is in major alarm mode.



	MinorTMAFault	MinorTMAFault shall be returned if the TMA subunit is in minor alarm mode.
	BypassMode	BypassMode shall be returned if the TMA subunit is in bypass mode due to a TMASetMode procedure.

8.4.6. TMA Set Device Data

On receipt of the initiating message the secondary device shall first write the provided data for the TMA subunit addressed by the subunit number into the fields provided for device data (and listed in Annex C of this document) and then return the response message. If an attempt is made to write to a field which is implemented as read only for the addressed TMA subunit, the return code *ReadOnly* is returned and the data for that field is ignored. If an attempt is made to write to a field which is not supported for the addressed TMA subunit the return code *UnknownParameter* is returned and the data for that field is ignored.

Table 8.4.6.1: Elementary procedure TMA Set Device Data

Name: TMASetDeviceData				
Code:	Issued by:	Procedure class:	DownloadMode state:	Power mode:
0x74	Primary device	1	No	n/a

Table 8.4.6.2: Initiating message parameters and format for TMA Set Device Data

Number	Length	Type	Description
1	1 octet	Unsigned integer	Subunit number
2	1 octet	Unsigned integer	Field number; see annex C
3	See annex C	See annex C	Data to write

Table 8.4.6.3: Response message parameters and format for TMA Set Device Data

Number	Length	Type	Description
1	1 octet	Unsigned integer	Subunit number
2	1 octet	ReturnCode	Return code OK



Table 8.4.6.4: Return codes for TMA Set Device Data

OK	FAIL	Comment
	FormatError Busy HardwareError WorkingSoftwareMissing ReadOnly UnknownParameter	

8.4.7. TMA Get Device Data

On receipt of the initiating message the secondary device shall return the data stored for the addressed TMA subunit in the field for additional device data specified by the field number in the initiating message and listed in Annex C of this document.

Table 8.4.7.1: Elementary procedure TMA Get Device Data

Name: TMAGetDeviceData				
Code:	Issued by:	Procedure class:	DownloadMode state:	Power mode:
0x75	Primary device	1	No	n/a

Table 8.4.7.2: Initiating message parameters and format for TMA Get Device Data

Number	Length	Type	Description
1	1 octet	Unsigned integer	Subunit number
2	1 octet	Unsigned integer	Field number to be read; see Annex C

Table 8.4.7.3: Response message parameters and format for TMA Get Device Data

Number	Length	Type	Description
1	1 octet	Unsigned integer	Subunit number
2	1 octet	Return Code	Return code OK
3	See Annex C	See Annex C	Field value



Table 8.4.7.4: Return codes for TMA Get Device Data

OK	FAIL	Comment
	FormatError Busy WorkingSoftwareMissing UnknownParameter	

8.4.8. TMA Alarm Indication

TMA's use this procedure to report TMA alarm state changes to the primary device. This procedure shall only be performed if the ALD has performed an AlarmSubscribe procedure since its latest reset.

Table 8.4.8.1: Elementary procedure TMA Alarm Indication

Name: TMAAlarmIndication				
Code:	Issued by:	Procedure class:	DownloadMode state:	Power mode:
0x76	Secondary device	2	No	n/a

Table 8.4.8.2: Initiating message parameters and format for TMA Alarm Indication

Number	Length	Type	Description
1	1 octet	Unsigned integer	Subunit number
2* i	1 octet	Unsigned integer	Return code i; see Annex B
2*i +1	1 octet	Unsigned integer	State flag i

i = 1 ... N

8.4.8.3 Further requirements

For each alarm, the current alarm state and alarm code shall be reported if and only if any change in its state has occurred since the last reported state.

A TMAAlarmIndication procedure shall be performed if at least one TMA alarm shall be reported for the TMA subunit. The first TMAAlarmIndication procedure after the AlarmSubscribe procedure shall report the active alarms.



Alarm state changes are considered as reported at the time the message is passed to the transport layer.

State flag = 0x00 represents alarm state *cleared*.

State flag = 0x01 represents alarm state *raised*.

8.4.9. TMA Clear Active Alarms

On receipt of the initiating message the secondary device shall first clear all stored alarm information for the addressed TMA subunit and then return a procedure response message. In the event that the cause of the alarm persists the alarm shall be re-raised and a new TMA Alarm Indication procedure shall be performed.

Table 8.4.9.1: Elementary procedure TMA Clear Active Alarms

Name: TMAClearActiveAlarms				
Code:	Issued by	Procedure class:	DownloadMode state:	Power mode:
0x77	Primary device	1	No	n/a

Table 8.4.9.2: Initiating message parameters and format for TMA Clear Active Alarms

Number	Length	Type	Description
1	1 octet	Unsigned integer	Subunit number

Table 8.4.9.3: Response message parameters and format for TMA Clear Active Alarms

Number	Length	Type	Description
1	1 octet	Unsigned integer	Subunit number
2	1 octet	ReturnCode	Return code OK

Table 8.4.9.4: Return codes for TMA Clear Active Alarms

OK	FAIL	Comment
	FormatError Busy WorkingSoftwareMissing	



8.4.10. TMA Get Alarm Status

On receipt of the initiating message the secondary device shall report the alarm codes of the active alarms for the addressed TMA subunit.

Table 8.4.10.1: Elementary procedure TMA Get Alarm Status

Name: TMAGetAlarmStatus				
Code:	Issued by:	Procedure class:	DownloadMode state:	Power mode:
0x78	Primary device	1	No	n/a

Table 8.4.10.2: Initiating message parameters and format for TMA Get Alarm Status

Number	Length	Type	Description
1	1 octet	Unsigned integer	Subunit number

Table 8.4.10.3: Response message parameters and format for TMA Get Alarm Status

Number	Length	Type	Description
1	1 octet	Unsigned integer	Subunit number
2	1 octet	ReturnCode	Return code OK
2 + i	1 octet	AlarmCode	Alarm code for alarm number i

i = 1 ... N

Table 8.4.10.4: Return codes for TMA Get Alarm Status

OK	FAIL	Comment
All return codes marked as used for alarms in Annex B	FormatError Busy WorkingSoftwareMissing	

8.4.11. TMA Get Number of Subunits

On receipt of the initiating message the secondary device shall return the number of subunits it controls.



Table 8.4.11.1: Elementary procedure TMAGetNumberOfSubunits

Name: TMAGetNumberOfSubunits				
Code:	Issued by:	Procedure class:	DownloadMode state:	Power mode:
0x79	Primary device	1	No	n/a

Table 8.4.11.2: Initiating message parameters and format for TMAGetNumberOfSubunits

Number	Length	Type	Description
None	0 octets	None	No data carried

Table 8.4.11.3: Response message parameters and format for TMAGetNumberOfSubunits

Number	Length	Type	Description
1	1 octet	ReturnCode	Return code OK
2	1 octet	Unsigned integer	Number of subunits

Table 8.4.11.4: Return codes for TMAGetNumberOfSubunits

OK	FAIL	Comment
	FormatError Busy WorkingSoftwareMissing	

8.5. 3GPP Clear Active Alarms and Get Alarm Status

When an ALD receives ClearActiveAlarms, specified in [18], it shall perform the procedure for all subunits of the ALD and then return a single procedure response message.

When an ALD receives GetAlarmStatus, specified in [18], it shall in a single procedure response message report the union of the alarm codes of all active alarms for all subunits, i.e. the same alarm codes shall be reported only once.



9. VERSION MANAGEMENT

The version of the base document (this document) and the version of an extension document (See Para 9.1) are connected. In the following definitions A,B,C and D are used to represent parts of the version number. The connection between base and extension documents is represented by A.

Base document version A.B

- A shall be used in version negotiation (PI=20).
- B is for editorial updates and shall not be used in version negotiation.
- Incompatible changes require an update of A.
- Base document version A.B defines base protocol version A.
- After version A has been released, clarifications of missing or ambiguous definitions shall be considered as editorial updates.
- B starts at 0 when A is incremented.

Extension document version A.C.D

- A is used to show which base protocol version the extension is based on.
- C shall be used in version negotiation (PI=21) for the extension.
- D is only for editorial updates and shall not be used in version negotiation.
- Incompatible changes require an update of C.
- The extension document version A.C.D defines extension protocol version A.C.
- After version A.C has been released, clarifications of missing or ambiguous definitions shall be considered as editorial updates.
- C starts at 1 when A is incremented, D starts at 0 when C is changed.

9.1. Extensions

New device types shall be managed as separate documents, AISG extensions. The process for introducing new extensions to AISG shall be:

- 1) A member who wants to propose a new extension shall send in a New Extension Request, proposing the new device type, the extension name, additional procedures and device data for that device type.
- 2) One or more AISG work group meetings shall be held to review and finalise the proposal.
- 3) The proposal shall be approved by an AISG General meeting.

New extensions shall be called "AISG extension <Foobar>". The AISG Secretary maintains a list of the agreed extension names, version numbers and elementary procedure numbers.



The intention is that a new substance version of the base document shall incorporate all preceding extensions.

9.2. Example

- 1) Changes of substance in the base document, i.e technical enhancements, corrections, updates etc. → **Update A**
- 2) Editorial changes in the base document → **Update B**
- 3) Addition of new extensions → **New document A.1.0**
- 4) Changes of substance in an extension, i.e technical enhancements, corrections, updates etc → **Update C**
- 5) Editorial changes in an extension → **Update D**

NOTE: A further example is shown in Annex F.



10. ADDITIONAL RECOMMENDATIONS

10.1. Electromagnetic compatibility

It is recommended that all devices connected to the RS485 bus comply with the relevant parts of the following specifications:

- ETS 301 489-8
- ETS 301 489-23
- ETS 300 342-2
- EMC Directive 83/336/EEC
- RTTE Directive 99/5/EEC

10.2. Lightning protection

A tower-top environment presents a severe lightning threat to the reliable operation of sensitive low-voltage equipment. In order to ensure a satisfactory level of in-service reliability it is recommended that all tower-mounted equipment must be tested in accordance to one of the following specifications:

- IEC 62305-4
- IEC 61000-4-5



11. PRODUCT IDENTIFICATION

11.1. Marking of conforming products

In order to allow users to identify products which conform to the requirements of this standard, member companies are encouraged to use the AISG logo on conforming products and on any brochures, advertisements or product literature associated with them. In addition, the legends 'AISG v2.0' or 'Conforms to interface standard AISG v2.0' may be used on such products and associated literature.

11.2. Use of the AISG name and logo

The name Antenna Interface Standards Group in full or in abbreviated form (AISG) and the AISG logo are the property of AISG Limited and may not be used in connection with any current product which does not, nor any future product which will not conform to a published AISG standard.

11.3. Vendor ID and Serial Number

The combination of Vendor ID and product Serial Number form a unique identity for every antenna line device. Each vendor shall ensure that under no circumstances are serial numbers duplicated in their products. The use of the unique assigned Vendor ID allows each vendor to manage serial numbers independently of all other vendors.



Annex A: Assigned Vendor Codes (Informative)

The following two-letter codes are assigned to vendors for use in identifying products

Vendor Code	Company name	Vendor Code	Company name
AA	Alcatel	HS	Huber + Suhner
AC	ADC, Inc	JB	Jaybeam Wireless
AD	Alan Dick & Co Ltd	JQ	Jacquelot Technologies
AE	Ace Technology Corporation	KA	Kathrein KG
AL	Powerwave	KL	K & L Microwave Inc
AI	Amphenol Antel Inc	KM	KMW Ltd
AM	Arialcom SA	LA	Powerwave
AN	Andrew Corporation	LG	Powerwave
AT	Antenova Ltd	LU	Lucent Technologies
AR	Argus Technologies (Australia) Pty Ltd	MA	Jaybeam Wireless
AV	Avitec AB	MI	Mitec Inc
BW	Böke & Walterfang Ltd	MO	Motorola
CB	Comba Telecom	MT	Mobile Antenna Technologies (Shenzhen) Ltd
CC	CSS Antenna Inc	MY	Sistemas Radiantes F Moyano SA
CM	Combilent A/S	NK	Nokia
CT	Celletra, Inc	NN	Nortel Networks
CS	Jaybeam Wireless	PO	Polyphaser Corp
CX	Cellmax Technologies	PW	Powerwave
DA	DAPA Systèmes SA	QU	Quintel Ltd
DB	Andrew Corporation	RA	Racal Antennas Ltd
EB	Elektrobit Ltd	RC	Radio Components Sweden AB
EM	EMS Technologies, Inc	RE	Powerwave
ET	ETSA	RF	RFS Inc
ER	Ericsson	RY	RYMSA SA
EY	Eyecom Technologies	SE	Selecom SA
FI	Filtronic Ltd	SH	University of Sheffield
FO	Andrew Corporation	SI	Sigma Wireless Technology Ltd
FR	Fractus SA	SM	Siemens AG
GN	Gamma Nu Inc	SP	Spinner GmbH
GR	Grintek Antennas	SU	Sunwave
HI	Hitachi Cable Co Ltd	TH	Thales Antennas Ltd
HW	Huawei Technologies Ltd	UW	Unity Wireless Corporation
		VX	Voxaura Technologies Inc
		XH	Xi'an Haitian Antenna Technologies Co Ltd

Other vendors wishing to manufacture equipment conforming to this standard may request the assignment of a Vendor Code by contacting: secretariat@aisg.org.uk

In some instances the vendors listed above may have changed name or for other reasons ceased to manufacture antenna line devices. The original assigned Vendor IDs are retained in this list.

The complete, normative and current list of Vendor IDs may be found at www.aisg.org.uk.



Annex B: Return Codes for AISG ALDs (Normative)

The return codes listed in [18, Annex A] can be used by AISG ALDs. The following return codes can also be used by secondary AISG ALDs.

Table B.1: Additional Return Codes for Secondary AISG ALDs

Code	Meaning	Alarm	DownloadMode state
0x1A	MinorTMAFault	A fault in the TMA subunit is detected which reduces the gain performance but maintains its function.	X
0x1B	MajorTMAFault	A fault in the TMA subunit is detected. The fault prevents the function of the TMA subunit.	X
0x1C	UnsupportedValue	The requested value is not supported.	
0x1F	BypassMode	The TMA subunit is in bypass mode and cannot report a correct gain value.	X

NOTE: A TMA subunit with a fault which switches to bypass mode will report both the fault and the BypassMode alarm.



Annex C: Assigned Fields for Additional Data (Normative)

The following standard fields have no operational impact and are used by the procedures TMASetDeviceData and TMAGetDeviceData. Little-endian order is used for storage of multiple-octet numbers. Where ASCII variables are shorter than the assigned field lengths the characters are right aligned and leading blanks are filled with null characters (0x00).

Table C.1: RET device data fields which shall be supported by a TMA subunit

(See [18, Annex B])

Field No. (Normative)	Length (octets) (Informative)	Format (Informative)	Description (Informative)
0x01	15	ASCII	Antenna model number
0x02	17	ASCII	Antenna serial number
0x03	2	16-bit unsigned	Antenna operating band(s) *
0x04	8	4 x 16-bit unsigned	Beamwidth for each operating band in band order (deg)
0x05	4	4 x 8-bit unsigned	Gain for each operating band in band order (dBi * 10)
0x21	6	ASCII	Installation date
0x22	5	ASCII	Installer's ID
0x23	32	ASCII	Base station ID
0x24	32	ASCII	Sector ID
0x25	2	16-bit unsigned	Antenna bearing
0x26	2	16-bit signed	Installed mechanical tilt (degrees * 10)

* Additional bands shall be designated in accordance with 3GPP nomenclature.

Table C.2: Assigned fields for additional data

Field No.	Length (octets)	Format	Description
0x13	1	8-bit unsigned	TMA subunit type (see table C.3)
0x14	4	2 x 16-bit unsigned integer	TMA subunit receive frequency band (see Table C.4)
0x15	4	2 x 16-bit unsigned integer	TMA subunit transmit frequency band (see Table C.4)
0x16	1	Unsigned integer	Maximum supported gain given as gain figure expressed in dB/4.
0x17	1	Unsigned integer	Minimum supported gain given as gain figure expressed in dB/4.
0x18	1	Unsigned integer	Gain resolution given as the gain resolution figure expressed in dB/4



Table C.3: Field 0x13 interpretation

Bit number	7... 2	1	0
TMA subunit type	Spare	VSWR	Bypass

Bits are numbered from 0...7, bit numbered 0 set to 1 represents the value 0x01.

Bit value 0 represents TMA subunit type is not supported.

Bit value 1 represents TMA subunit type is supported.

Spare bits shall be set to 0.

Example: 0000 0001 = Bypass
 0000 0010 = VSWR.

Table C.4: Field 0x14 and 0x15 interpretation

Octet number	Description
0	fmin low octet
1	fmin high octet
2	fmax low octet
3	fmax high octet

fmin and fmax are expressed in 100kHz steps from 0kHz.

Example: For 850MHz, low octet = 0x34, high octet = 0x21.



Annex D: I-frame and INFO-field format (Informative)

The I-frame and INFO-field formats for both primary and secondary stations are illustrated. To transfer elementary procedures, the INFO-field of the I-frame is used.

Table D.1: HDLC-Frame:

Flag 1 octet	ADR 1 octet	Control 1 octet	INFO N octets	CRC 2 octets		Flag 1 octet
0x7E	Device Address	Control bits	Variable length (must support a maximum length of at least 74 octets)	CRC1 Low Octet	CRC2 high octet	0x7E

Procedure ID	Number of data octets		Data octets
1 octet	low octet	high octet	Variable length (must support a maximum length of at least 71 octets)

Format of the I-Frame and INFO Field

Devices shall support the following data length:

Mandatory: $0 \leq \text{data octets} \leq 71$

Optional: $0 \leq \text{data octets} < 65,536 \text{ octets}$



Annex E: AISG protocol version negotiation (Informative)

The following example shows a typical implementation:

Table E.1: Example for an XID frame from primary station

ADDR	#	Device address
CTRL	XID	Command
FI	0x81	Format identifier
GI	0xF0	User-defined parameter set
GL	3	Length of the parameter field (PI)
PI	20	Parameter 20= AISG Protocol Version
PL	1	Length of the PV field (octets)
PV	0x03	Supported AISG version by primary station

Table E.2: Example for Response from secondary station

ADDR	#	Device address
CTRL	XID	Command
FI	0x81	Format identifier
GI	0xF0	User-defined parameter set
GL	3	Length of the parameter field (PI)
PI	20	Parameter 20= AISG Protocol Version
PL	1	Length of the PV field (octets)
PV	0x02	Supported AISG version by secondary station

The example shows that the primary is able to support AISG version 3 but the secondary only supports AISG version 2. Result: Communication according to AISG version 2.



Annex F: Version Management Example (informative)

The bold digits are used for version negotiation (NOTE: PI=20 for base version and PI=21 for the extension substance version):

	Base document version	Extension <i>foo</i> document version	Extension <i>bar</i> document version
Next AISG release	2.0	-	-
Editorial update of base doc	2.1	-	-
Addition of extension <i>foo</i>	2.1	2.1.0	-
Editorial update of extension <i>foo</i>	2.1	2.1.1	-
Change of substance of extension <i>foo</i>	2.1	2.2.0	-
Change of substance of base doc	3.0	2.2.0 ¹	-
Editorial update of extension <i>foo</i>	3.0	2.2.1 ¹	-
Update of extension <i>foo</i> to base protocol 3	3.0	3.1.0	-
Addition of extension <i>bar</i>	3.0	3.1.0	3.1.0
Change of substance of extension <i>bar</i>	3.0	3.1.0	3.2.0
Editorial update of base document	3.1	3.1.0	3.2.0
Editorial update of extension <i>bar</i>	3.1	3.1.0	3.2.1

¹ This does not work with base protocol version 3.