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Introduction

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This amendment defines one medium access control (MAC) and several physical layer (PHY) specifications for wireless connectivity for fixed, portable, and moving stations (STAs) within a local area. It defines modifications to IEEE Std 802.11-2016, above the physical layer (PHY), to enable delivery of preassociation service discovery information to IEEE 802.11 stations (STAs).

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1. Overview

1.3 Supplementary information on purpose

Insert the following item at the end of the dashed list in 1.3:

— Defines mechanisms to enable delivery of preassociation service discovery information to IEEE 802.11 stations (STAs).

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2. Normative references

Insert the following normative references into Clause 2 in alphanumeric order:

IEEE Std 802c™-2017, IEEE Standard for Local and Metropolitan Area Networks: Overview and Architecture Amendment 2: Local Medium Access Control (MAC) Address Usage.[1,2]

IETF RFC 6335, Internet Assigned Numbers Authority (IANA) Procedures for the Management of the Service Name and Transport Protocol Port Number Registry, August 2011.[3]

3. Definitions, acronyms, and abbreviations

3.1 Definitions

Insert the following definition into 3.1 in alphabetic order:

service hash: A value used for representing a service. This value is formed from a hash of the service name.

3.2 Definitions specific to IEEE Std 802.11

Insert the following definitions into 3.2 in alphabetic order:

service information client (SIC): A logical entity that initiates station (STA) service discovery.

service information registry (SIR): A logical entity that contains caches of information about services that are available via the basic service set (BSS).

3.4 Abbreviations and acronyms

Insert the following abbreviations into 3.4 in alphabetic order:

PAD   preassociation discovery
SIC   service information client
SIR   service information registry
SLAP   Structured Local Address Plan

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4. General description

4.5 Overview of the services

4.5.4 Access control and data confidentiality services

Insert the following subclause (4.5.4.10) after 4.5.4.9:

4.5.4.10 MAC privacy enhancements

When a non-AP STA searches for, and connects to, an infrastructure BSS, IBSS, or PBSS or attempts to discover services on a network preassociation, it defines the addressing of its MAC layer for the particular connection. If the STA uses a fixed MAC address it is trivial to track the STA. An MSDU transmitted by a STA is assigned a sequence number that, if never reset, can also be used to track a device irrespective of the MAC address. If OFDM is used, the PHY DATA scrambler used can enable tracking of a device irrespective of the MAC address if it is not reseeded. The dynamic nature of BSS membership combined with this tracking information allows for construction of a network of connections, locations, and behavior. This network can be used to glean private and sensitive information regarding the individual behind the device.

Furthermore, even without establishing a connection, a mobile or portable STA that gratuitously transmits Probe Request frames containing SSIDs of favored infrastructure BSS networks, or announces the existence of IBSS networks, can reveal potentially sensitive information about its location and location history.

To mitigate this sort of traffic analysis a STA can support the ability to periodically and randomly change its MAC addresses and reset counters and seeds prior to association. While discovering networks, a STA can refrain from gratuitously transmitting Probe Request frames containing SSIDs of favored BSS networks.

4.5.9 Interworking with external networks

Insert the following subclause heading (4.5.9.1), and change the text (originating from the former 4.5.9) of the now 4.5.9.1 as shown:

4.5.9.1 General

The interworking service allows non-AP STAs to access services provided by an external network according to the subscription or other characteristics of that external network. An IEEE Std 802.11 non-AP STA might have a subscription relationship with an external network, e.g., with an SSPN.

An overview of the interworking functions addressed in this standard is provided below:

— Network discovery and selection
 — Discovery of suitable networks through the advertisement of access network type, roaming consortium and venue information, via Management frames
 — Selection of a suitable IEEE 802.11 infrastructure using advertisement services (e.g., access network query protocol (ANQP) or an IEEE 802.21™ Information Server) in the BSS or in an external network reachable via the BSS.
 — Selection of an SSPN or external network with its corresponding IEEE 802.11 Infrastructure
— Preassociation discovery (PAD)
 — Discovery of services offered by a BSS or an external network reachable via that BSS

— Emergency services
  — Emergency Call and Network Alert support at the link level
— QoS mapping distribution
— SSPN interface service between the AP and the SSPN

The generic advertisement service (GAS), described in 4.5.10, provides both support for a STA's network discovery and selection, and support for a conduit for communication by a non-AP STA with other information resources in a network before joining the wireless LAN.

The interworking service supports emergency services by providing methods for users to access emergency services via the IEEE 802.11 infrastructure, advertising that emergency services are supported (see 11.25.6) and identifying that a traffic stream is used for emergency services.

The interworking service provides QoS mapping for SSPNs and other external networks. Since each SSPN or other external network might have its own layer-3 end-to-end packet marking practice (e.g., differentiated services code point (DSCP) usage conventions), a means to remap the layer-3 service levels to a common over-the-air service level is necessary. The QoS Map service provides STAs a mapping of network-layer QoS packet marking to over-the-air QoS frame marking (i.e., user priority).

The SSPN Interface service supports service provisioning and transfer of user permissions from the SSPN to the AP. The method and protocol by which these permissions are transferred from the SSPN are outside the scope of this standard.

Insert the following subclause (4.5.9.2, including Figure 4-15a and Figure 4-15b) after 4.5.9.1:

4.5.9.2 Preassociation discovery (PAD)

4.5.9.2.1 Introduction

PAD is an interworking function provided by a BSS to allow a non-AP and non-PCP STA, prior to association, to discover information concerning services that might be available to the STA when it is associated with the BSS. PAD provides a method for the STA to gather information to aid in the decision to select a BSS with which to associate.

4.5.9.2.2 Architecture

Figure 4-15a and Figure 4-15b show the functional flow of MAC messaging and service information between a service information client (SIC) and a service information registry (SIR). These entities are described in 4.5.9.2.3, 4.5.9.2.4, and 4.5.9.2.5. The active components within the architecture differ depending upon whether unsolicited or solicited PAD is being used.
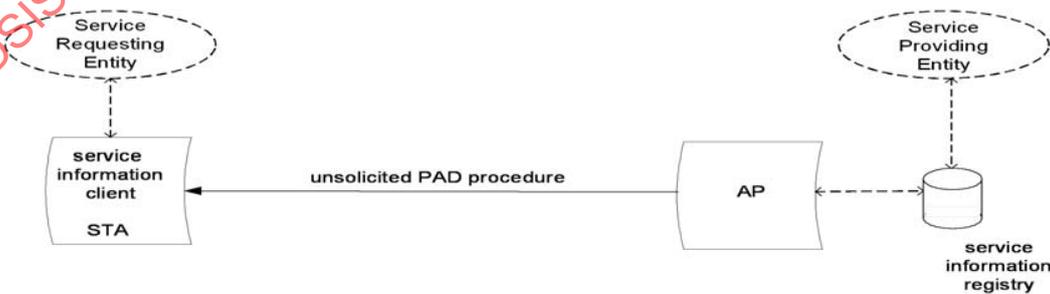
Figure 4-15a—Unsolicited PAD architecture
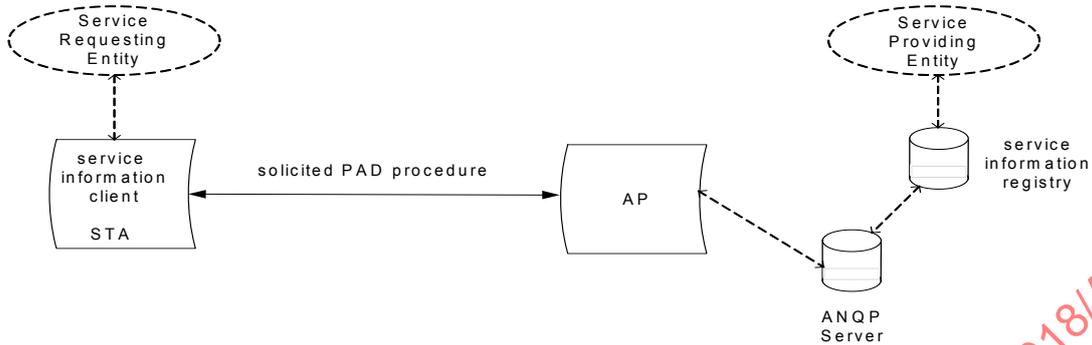
Figure 4-15b—Solicited PAD architecture

NOTE—A SIR can be either co-located with the AP or outside the AP. An SIR can only be co-located with a PCP. The communications between the SIR and the AP, together with the SIR and the ANQP server are out of the scope of this standard.

The unsolicited PAD procedure is described in11.25a.2 and solicited PAD procedure is described in 11.25a.3.

4.5.9.2.3 Service information entities

The SIC and SIR are used to exchange PAD service information. The PAD procedures operate between the SIC and SIR.

4.5.9.2.4 Service information registry (SIR)

The SIR caches information about services that might be reachable via the BSS and therefore might be available to the STA once the STA is associated with that BSS. How the SIR obtains the information about services is outside the scope of this standard.

There is typically one SIR assigned to each ESS. It can be addressed by each AP and each service within that ESS. It includes supporting service discovery requests and responses from the BSS.

The SIR communicates with the ANQP server to respond to ANQP requests.

4.5.9.2.5 Service information client (SIC)

The SIC initiates service discovery. The SIC exchanges service discovery requests and responses between the SME and applications.

The SME determines whether to use unsolicited PAD or solicited PAD procedures. The SME also composes ANQP requests for solicited PAD procedures.

6. Layer management

6.3 MLME SAP interface

6.3.3 Scan

6.3.3.3 MLME-SCAN.confirm

6.3.3.3.2 Semantics of the service primitive

Insert the following rows at the end of the untitled BSS Description parameter table in 6.3.3.3.2:

Name	Type	Valid range	Description	IBSS adoption
ServiceHint	Service Hint element	As defined in 9.4.2.233	Provides an indication of the services advertised in Beacon frames and Probe Response frames. The values from the Service Hint element, if such an element was present in the Beacon or Probe Response frame; else null.	Do not adopt
ServiceHash	Service Hash element	As defined in 9.4.2.234	Specifies services advertised in Beacon and Probe Response frames. The values from the Service Hash element, if such an element was present in the Beacon or Probe Response frame; else null.	Do not adopt

6.3.11 Start

6.3.11.2 MLME-START.request

6.3.11.2.2 Semantics of the service primitive

Change the primitive parameter list in 6.3.11.2.2 as follows:

MLME-START.request(

    SSID,
    BSSType,
    BeaconPeriod,
    DTIMPeriod,
    CF parameter set,
    PHY parameter set,
    IBSS parameter set,
    NAVSyncDelay,
    CapabilityInformation,
    BSSBasicRateSet,
    OperationalRateSet,
    Country,
    IBSS DFS Recovery Interval,
    EDCAParameterSet,

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DSERegisteredLocation,
HT Capabilities,
HT Operation,
BSSMembershipSelectorSet,
Extended Capabilities,
20/40 BSS Coexistence,
Overlapping BSS Scan Parameters,
MultipleBSSID,
InterworkingInfo,
AdvertisementProtocolInfo,
RoamingConsortiumInfo,
Mesh ID,
Mesh Configuration,
QMFPolicy,
DMG Capabilities,
Multi-band,
MMS,
DMG Operation,
Clustering Control,
CBAP Only,
PCP Association Ready,
VHT Capabilities,
VHT Operation,
Known OUIs,
S1G Capabilities,
S1GOperations,
ShortBeaconPeriod,
ShortBeaconDTIMPeriod,
CDMG Capabilities,
CMMG Capabilities,
CMMG Operation,
ServiceHint,
ServiceHash,
VendorSpecificInfo
)

Insert the following rows into the untitled parameter table in 6.3.11.2.2 before the "VendorSpecificInfo" row:

Name	Type	Valid range	Description
ServiceHint	Service Hint element	As defined in 9.4.2.233	Provides an indication of the services advertised in Beacon and Probe Response frames. The element is optionally present if dot11UnsolicitedPADActivated is true and absent otherwise.
ServiceHash	Service Hash element	As defined in 9.4.2.234	Specifies services advertised in Beacon and Probe Response frames. The element is optionally present if dot11UnsolicitedPADActivated is true and absent otherwise.

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6.3.73 Network discovery and selection support

6.3.73.2 MLME-GAS.request

6.3.73.2.2 Semantics of the service primitive

Change 6.3.73.2.2 as follows:

The primitive parameters are as follows:
MLME-GAS.request(

> PeerSTAAddress,
> DialogToken,
> AdvertisementProtocolID,
> Query,
> QueryFailureTimeout,
> Protected,
> Multi-band,
> GAMode,
> GASExtension,
> CAGNumber,
> VendorSpecificInfo
>)

Name	Type	Valid range	Description
PeerSTAAddress	MacAddress	Any valid individual MacAddress. For a group address GAS frame, this is the broadcast address.	Specifies the address of the peer MAC entity or the broadcast address to which query is transmitted.
DialogToken	Integer	0–255	The dialog token to identify the GAS transaction.
AdvertisementProtocolID	Integer or Sequence of integers	As defined in Table 9-215	This contains an Advertisement Protocol ID (see 9.4.2.93), which might be IEEE Std 802.11 assigned or vendor specified.
Query	String	N/A	Query string formatted using protocol identified in AdvertisementProtocolID. E.g., if the AdvertisementProtocolID value is 1, then Query is formatted as defined in IEEE Std 802.21-2008.
QueryFailureTimeout	Integer	> 1	The time limit, in units of beacon intervals, after which the GAS Query procedure is terminated.
Protected	Boolean	true, false	Specifies whether the request is sent using a robust Management frame. If true, the request is sent using a Protected Dual of Public Action frame. Otherwise, the request is sent using a Public Action frame.
Multi-band	Multi-band element	As defined in 9.4.2.138	Specifies the frequency band and channel number to which the GAS transaction applies. The parameter is absent if the GAS transaction applies to the same frequency band and channel where the frame is transmitted.
GAMode	Boolean	true, false	If true, the request is sent using a group address GAS frame. Otherwise, the request is sent using a unicast GAS frame.

Name	Type	Valid range	Description
GASExtension	GAS Extension element	As defined in 9.4.2.235	Specifies GAS extensions information in the GAS frame to be transmitted. This parameter is optionally present if dot11GASExtensionImplemented is true; otherwise not present.
CAGNumber	CAG Number element	As defined in 9.4.2.177	One or more Common Advertisement Group (CAG) tuples. Each CAG Tuple specifies a pair of CAG Version and CAG Information Type cached by the transmitting STA. This parameter is optionally present when dot11FILSActivated is true or dot11SolicitedPADActivated is true; otherwise not present.
VendorSpecificInfo	A set of elements	As defined in 9.4.2.26	Zero or more elements.

6.3.73.2.4 Effect of receipt

Change 6.3.73.2.4 as follows:

The STA operates according to the procedures defined in 11.25.3 and 11.25a.

6.3.73.3 MLME-GAS.confirm

6.3.73.3.2 Semantics of the service primitive

Change 6.3.73.3.2 as follows:

The primitive parameters are as follows:
    MLME-GAS.confirm(

PeerSTAAddress,
DialogToken,
ResultCode,
ResponseInfo,
Protected,
Multi-band,
GASExtension,
VendorSpecificInfo
)

Name	Type	Valid range	Description
PeerSTAAddress	Mac Address	Any valid individual MacAddress	Specifies the address of the peer MAC entity from to which Qeuery Response is receivedtransmitted.
DialogToken	Integer	0–255	The dialog token to identify the GAS transaction.

Name	Type	Valid range	Description
ResultCode	Enumeration	SUCCESS, NO_OUTSTANDING_GAS_REQUEST, GAS_ADVERTISEMENT_PROTOCOL_ NOT_SUPPORTED, GAS_QUERY_RESPONSE_ OUTSTANDING, GAS_QUERY_RESPONSE_TOO_LARGE, SERVER_UNREACHABLE, GAS_QUERY_TIMEOUT, GAS_RESPONSE_NOT_RECEIVED_ FROM_SERVER, SUCCESS_CAG_VERSIONS_MATCH	Indicates the result response to the GAS request from the peer MAC entity.
ResponseInfo	String	N/A	Query Response string formatted using protocol identified in AdvertisementProtocolID. E.g., if the AdvertisementProtocolID value is 1, then Query is formatted as defined in IEEE Std 802.21-2008.
Protected	Boolean	true, false	Specifies whether the response was received in a robust Management frame. If true, the response was received using a Protected Dual of Public Action frame. Otherwise, the response was received using a Public Action frame.
Multi-band	Multi-band element	As defined in 9.4.2.138	Specifies the frequency band and channel number to which the GAS transaction applies. The parameter is absent if the GAS transaction applies to the same frequency band and channel where the frame is transmitted.
GASExtension	GAS Extension element	As defined in 9.4.2.235	Specifies GAS extensions information in the GAS frame received. The values from the GAS Extension element in the GAS response received, if present; else null.
VendorSpecificInfo	A set of elements	As defined in 9.4.2.26	Zero or more elements.

Change 6.3.73.3.3 and 6.3.73.3.4 as follows:

6.3.73.3.3 When generated

This primitive is generated by the MLME as a response to the MLME-GAS.request primitive indicating the result of that request.

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The primitive is generated when the requesting STA receives a query response in a (Protected) GAS Initial Response frame, or one or more (Protected) GAS Comeback Response frames, or a Group Addressed GAS Response frame.

6.3.73.3.4 Effect of receipt

The STA operates according to the procedures defined in 11.25.3 and 11.25a.

6.3.73.4 MLME-GAS.indication

6.3.73.4.2 Semantics of the service primitive

Change 6.3.73.4.2 as follows:

The primitive parameters are as follows:
        MLME-GAS.indication(

                        PeerSTAAddress,
                        DialogToken,
                        AdvertisementProtocolID,
                        Query,
                        Protected,
                        Multi-band,
                        GAMode,
                        GASExtension,
                        CAGNumber,
                        VendorSpecificInfo
)

Name	Type	Valid range	Description
PeerSTAAddress	MacAddress	Any valid individual MAC address	Specifies the address of the peer MAC entity from which the query message was received.
DialogToken	Integer	0–255	The dialog token to identify the GAS transaction.
AdvertisementProtocolID	Integer or Sequence of integers	As defined in Table 9-215	This contains an Advertisement Protocol ID (see 9.4.2.93), which might be IEEE 802.11 assigned or vendor specified.
Query	String	N/A	Query string formatted using protocol identified in AdvertisementProtocolID. E.g., if the AdvertisementProtocolID value is 1, then Query is formatted as defined in IEEE Std 802.21-2008.
Protected	Boolean	true, false	Specifies whether the request was received in a robust Management frame. If true, the request was received in a Protected Dual of Public Action frame. Otherwise, the request was received in a Public Action frame.
Multi-band	Multi-band element	As defined in 9.4.2.138	Specifies the frequency band and channel number to which the GAS transaction applies. The parameter is absent if the GAS transaction applies to the same frequency band and channel where the frame is transmitted.
GAMode	Boolean	true, false	Set to true if the request is received in a Group Addressed GAS Request frame; otherwise set to false.

Name	Type	Valid range	Description
GASExtension	GAS Extension element	As defined in 9.4.2.235	Specifies GAS extensions information in the GAS frame received. The values from the GAS Extension element in the GAS request received, if present; else null.
CAGNumber	CAG Number element	As defined in 9.4.2.177	One or more Common Advertisement Group (CAG) tuples. Each CAG Tuple specifies a pair of CAG Version and CAG Information Type received from a requesting STA.
VendorSpecificInfo	A set of elements	As defined in 9.4.2.26	Zero or more elements.

6.3.73.4.4 Effect of receipt

Change 6.3.73.4.4 as follows:

The SME is notified of the request from the STA.

The SME operates according to the procedures defined in 11.25.3 and 11.25a.

The SME generates an MLME-GAS.response primitive within a dot11GASResponseTimeout.

6.3.73.5 MLME-GAS.response

6.3.73.5.2 Semantics of the service primitive

Change 6.3.73.5.2 as follows:

The primitive parameters are as follows:
MLME-GAS.response(

PeerSTAAddress,
DialogToken,
ResultCode,
ResponseInfo,
Protected,
Multi-band,
GAMode,
GASExtension,
VendorSpecificInfo
)

Name	Type	Valid range	Description
PeerSTAAddress	Mac Address	Any valid individual MAC address. For a group address GAS frame, this is the broadcast address.	Specifies the address of the peer MAC entity or the broadcast address to which the query response information is transmitted.
DialogToken	Integer	0–255	The dialog token to identify the GAS transaction.

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Name	Type	Valid range	Description
ResultCode	Enumeration	SUCCESS, NO_OUTSTANDING_GAS_REQUEST, GAS_ADVERTISEMENT_PROTOCOL_ NOT_SUPPORTED, GAS_QUERY_RESPONSE_ OUTSTANDING, GAS_QUERY_RESPONSE_TOO_LARGE, SERVER_UNREACHABLE, GAS_QUERY_TIMEOUT, GAS_RESPONSE_NOT_RECEIVED_ FROM_SERVER, SUCCESS_CAG_VERSIONS_MATCH	Indicates the result response to the GAS-request from the peer MAC entity. See Table 9-46.
ResponseInfo	String	N/A	Query Response string formatted using protocol identified in AdvertisementProtocolID. E.g., if the AdvertisementProtocolID value is 1, then Query is formatted as defined in IEEE Std 802.21-2008.
Protected	Boolean	true, false	Specifies whether the response is sent using a robust Management frame. If true, the response is sent using a Protected Dual of Public Action frame. Otherwise, the response is sent using a Public Action frame.
Multi-band	Multi-band element	As defined in 9.4.2.138	Specifies the frequency band and channel number to which the GAS transaction applies. The parameter is absent if the GAS transaction applies to the same frequency band and channel where the frame is transmitted.
GAMode	Boolean	true, false	Specifies whether the response is sent using a group address GAS frame. If true, the response is sent using a group address GAS frame. Otherwise, the response is sent using a unicast GAS frame.

Name	Type	Valid range	Description
GASExtension	GAS Extension element	As defined in 9.4.2.235	Specifies GAS extensions information in the GAS frame to be transmitted. The parameter is present if GAMode is true, or if the STA is capable of retransmitting a GAS Query Response fragment upon request and the query response's length is larger than the maximum MMPDU size; else the parameter is null.
VendorSpecificInfo	A set of elements	As defined in 9.4.2.26	Zero or more elements.

6.3.73.5.4 Effect of receipt

Change 6.3.73.5.4 as follows:

This primitive causes the MAC entity at the STA to send a (Protected) GAS Initial Response frame to the requesting STA and optionally one or more (Protected) GAS Comeback Response frames or one Group Addressed GAS Response frame.

Insert the following subclause (6.3.119) after 6.3.118.9.4:

6.3.119 Update

6.3.119.1 Introduction

This mechanism supports the process of updating one or more parameters used in the BSS without restarting the BSS.

6.3.119.2 MLME-UPDATE.request

6.3.119.2.1 Function

This primitive requests that the MAC entity to initiate a BSS update procedure to update one or more parameters used in the BSS without restarting the BSS.

6.3.119.2.2 Semantics of the service primitive

The primitive parameters are as follows:

    MLME-UPDATE.request(

                        ServiceHint,
                        ServiceHash,
                        VendorSpecificInfo
)

Name	Type	Valid range	Description
ServiceHint	Service Hint element	As defined in 9.4.2.233	If null, requests that Service Hint element be removed from Beacon and Probe Response frames. Otherwise, provides an indication of the services advertised in Beacon and Probe Response frames. The parameter is optionally present if dot11UnsolicitedPAD-Activated is true and absent otherwise.
ServiceHash	Service Hash element	As defined in 9.4.2.234	If null, requests that Service Hash element be removed from Beacon and Probe Response frames. Otherwise, specifies services advertised in Beacon and Probe Response frames. The parameter is optionally present if dot11UnsolicitedPAD-Activated is true and absent otherwise.
VendorSpecificInfo	A set of elements	As defined in 9.4.2.26	Zero or more elements.

6.3.119.2.3 When generated

This primitive is generated by the SME of an AP or PCP STA when one or more parameters used in the BSS are to be changed without restarting the BSS.

6.3.119.2.4 Effect of receipt

If the MLME of an AP or PCP STA receives an MLME-UPDATE.request primitive with ServiceHint and/or ServiceHash parameters, the AP or PCP STA shall use these parameters to update or remove the Service Hint element and/or Service Hash element in Beacon and Probe Response frames that the AP transmits or in DMG Beacon, Announce, and Probe Response frames that the PCP STA transmits.

6.3.119.3 MLME_UPDATE.confirm

6.3.119.3.1 Function

This primitive reports the results of a BSS update procedure.

6.3.119.3.2 Semantics of the service primitive

The primitive parameters are as follows:

    MLME-UPDATE.confirm(
                    ResultCode
)

Name	Type	Valid range	Description
ResultCode	Enumeration	SUCCESS, BSS_NOT_STARTED, NOT_SUPPORTED, UPDATE_FAILED	Indicates the result of the MLME-UPDATE.request primitive.

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6.3.119.3.3 When generated

This primitive is generated by the MLME as a result of an MLME-UPDATE.request primitive to update one or more parameters used in the BSS without restarting the BSS.

6.3.119.3.4 Effect of receipt

The SME is notified of the results of the BSS update procedure.

9. Frame formats

9.3 Format of individual frame types

9.3.3 Management frames

9.3.3.3 Beacon frame format

Insert the following rows into Table 9-27 in numeric order:

Table 9-27—Beacon frame body

Order	Information	Notes
72	Service Hint	The Service Hint element is optionally present if dot11UnsolicitedPADActivated is true.
73	Service Hash	The Service Hash element is optionally present if dot11UnsolicitedPADActivated is true.

9.3.3.11 Probe Response frame format

Insert the following rows into Table 9-34 in numeric order:

Table 9-34—Probe Response frame body

Order	Information	Notes
89	Service Hint	The Service Hint element is optionally present if dot11UnsolicitedPADActivated is true.
90	Service Hash	The Service Hash element is optionally present if dot11UnsolicitedPADActivated is true.

9.3.4.2 DMG Beacon

Insert the following rows into Table 9-41 in numeric order:

Table 9-41—DMG Beacon frame body

Order	Information	Notes
54	Service Hint	The Service Hint element is optionally present if dot11UnsolicitedPADActivated is true.
55	Service Hash	The Service Hash element is optionally present if dot11UnsolicitedPADActivated is true.

9.4 Management and Extension frame body components

9.4.1 Fields that are not elements

9.4.1.9 Status Code field

Insert the following rows into Table 9-46 in numeric order:

Table 9-46—Status codes

Status code	Name	Meaning
120	GAS_FRAGMENT_ NOT_AVAILABLE	The requested GAS fragment is not available.
121	SUCCESS_CAG_VERSIONS_MATCH	Success, the CAG Version provided by the requesting STA is the same as the latest CAG Version provided by the relevant server.

9.4.2 Elements

9.4.2.1 General

Insert the following rows into Table 9-77 in numeric order:

Table 9-77—Element IDs

Element	Element ID	Element ID Extension	Extensible	Fragmentable
Service Hint (see 9.4.2.233)	255	15	No	No
Service Hash (see 9.4.2.234)	255	16	No	No
GAS Extension (see 9.4.2.235)	255	40	Yes	Yes

9.4.2.27 Extended Capabilities element

Insert the following rows into Table 9-135 in numeric order:

Table 9-135—Extended Capabilities field

Bit	Information	Notes
75	PAD	Indicates support for PAD (see 11.25a).

9.4.2.177 CAG Number element

Change 9.4.2.177 as follows:

The Common Advertisement Group (CAG) is a group of elements that are defined by the same advertisement protocol and that do not change on a rapid basis within an AP. The CAG Number element provides one or more current version numbers of the CAG (CAG Version) associated with the AP, where each version number is associated with a specific advertisement protocol and server. The CAG Number element is optionally present in the Beacon or Probe Response frame to reduce GAS frame exchanges when dot11InterworkingServiceActivated is true. The CAG Number element is optionally present in the GAS Initial Request frame to indicate the CAG Version and the associated CAG Information Type cached by the non-AP STA when dot11SolicitedPADActivated is true.

The CAG Number element is shown in Figure 9-589b.

Element ID	Length	CAG Tuple #1	CAG Tuple #2 (optional)	...	CAG Tuple #N (optional)
Octets: 1	1	2	0 or 2		0 or 2
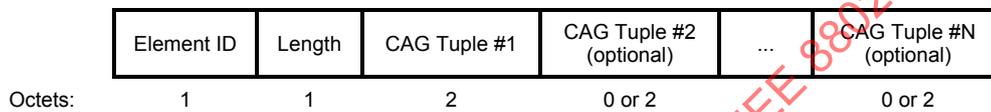
Figure 9-589b—CAG Number element format

The Element ID and Length fields are defined in 9.4.2.1.

One or more 2-octet CAG Tuple fields are used. The format of a CAG Tuple field is shown in Figure 9-589c.

B0 B7	B8 B15
CAG Version	CAG Information Type ~~Advertisement Protocol ID~~
Bits: 8	8
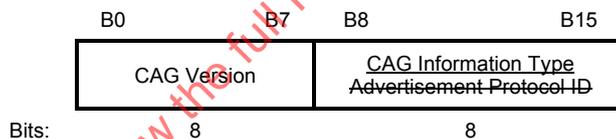
Figure 9-589c—CAG Tuple field

The CAG Version subfield is an unsigned integer indicating the current version of the CAG of the associated advertisement protocol and server indicated by the CAG Information Type subfield in the same CAG Tuple field. The use of CAG Version is explained in 11.25.3.2.

The CAG Information Type ~~Advertisement Protocol ID~~ subfield indicates the type of information ~~is a 8-bit subfield and carries a value equal to the Advertisement Protocol ID of the advertisement protocol~~ associated with the CAG Version in the same CAG Tuple field. The CAG Information Type ~~Advertisement Protocol ID~~ is defined in ~~Table 9-215 in 9.4.2.93~~ Table 9-262a1.

Table 9-262a1—CAG Information Type definitions

Name	Value
Access network query protocol (ANQP)	0
MIH Information Service	1
MIH Command and Event Services Capability Discovery	2
Emergency Alert System (EAS)	3
Registered location query protocol (RLQP)	4
Reserved	5–127
ANQP with Service Information Registry	128
Reserved	129–220
Vendor Specific	221
Reserved	222–255

Insert the following subclauses (9.4.2.233, 9.4.2.234, and 9.4.2.235, including Table 9-262ah and Figure 9-589du to Figure 9-589dz) after 9.4.2.232:

9.4.2.233 Service Hint element

The Service Hint element provides a probabilistic representation of a set of services that are available to the BSS. The format of the Service Hint element is shown in Figure 9-589du.

Element ID	Length	Element ID Extension	Bloom Filter Information	Bloom Filter Bit Array
Octets: 1	1	1	1	variable

Figure 9-589du—Service Hint element format

The Element ID, Length, and Element ID Extension fields are defined in 9.4.2.1.

The Bloom Filter Information field represents the stochastic characteristics of a Bloom filter that conveys the probabilistic data. The format of the Bloom Filter Information field is shown in Figure 9-589dv.

B0　　　　　　　B3	B4　　　　　　　B7
False Positive Probability Range	Number of Hash Functions
Bits: 4	4
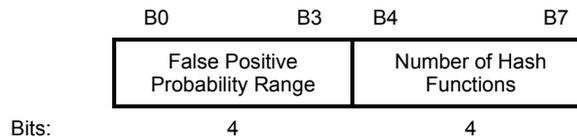
Figure 9-589dv—Bloom Filter Information field format

The False Positive Probability Range subfield represents the false positive probability range of the Bloom filter. The False Positive Probability Range subfield is shown in Table 9-262ah.

Table 9-262ah—False Positive Probability Range subfield values

Value	False positive probability range, p
0	$p > 25\%$
1	$20\% < p \leq 25\%$
2	$15\% < p \leq 20\%$
3	$10\% < p \leq 15\%$
4	$5\% < p \leq 10\%$
5	$1\% < p \leq 5\%$
6	$0.5\% < p \leq 1\%$
7	$0.1\% < p \leq 0.5\%$
8	$0.05\% < p \leq 0.1\%$
9	$0.01\% < p \leq 0.05\%$
10	$p \leq 0.01\%$
11–15	Reserved

The Number of Hash Functions subfield is set to a value equal to $k-1$, where k is the number of hash functions used by the Bloom filter as described in 11.25a.5.

The Bloom Filter Bit Array field provides an indication of the services offered by or through the AP or PCP with a target probability of false positive p. The length of the Bloom Filter Bit Array field in octets is Ceil($m/8$) where m is the size of the Bloom filter in bits. How the size of the Bloom filter is determined is out of the scope of this standard. The maximum length of the Bloom Filter Bit Array field is 128 octets.

9.4.2.234 Service Hash element

The Service Hash element contains one or more service hashes. The format of the Service Hash element is shown in Figure 9-589dw.

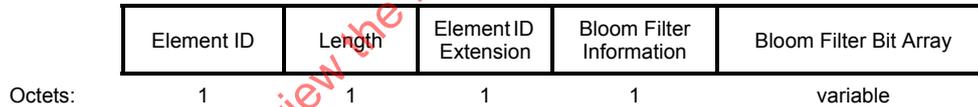| Element ID	Length	Element ID Extension	Service Hashes
1	1	1	variable

Octets:

Figure 9-589dw—Service Hash element format

The Element ID, Length, and Element ID Extension fields are defined in 9.4.2.1.

The Service Hashes field contains one or more 6-octet service hash values. See 11.25a.4 for procedures for generating a service hash used in the Service Hash element.

9.4.2.235 GAS Extension element

The GAS Extension element is defined in Figure 9-589dx. When present in the GAS Initial Request frame, the GAS Extension element indicates whether the STA is capable of receiving a Group Addressed GAS Response frame.

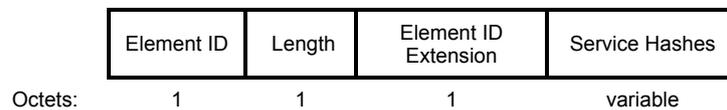| Element ID	Length	Element ID Extension	GAS Flags	Maximum Channel Time	Fragment ID	Number of Response Map Duples	Response Map Duples
1	1	1	1	0 or 1	0 or 1	0 or 1	Variable

Octets:

Figure 9-589dx—GAS Extension element format

The Element ID, Length, and Element ID Extension fields are defined in 9.4.2.1.

The GAS Flags field is defined in Figure 9-589dy.

B0	B1	B2	B3	B4	B5 B7
Group-addressed GAS	Fragment Retransmission	Maximum Channel Time Flag	Fragment ID Flag	Response Map Flag	Reserved
1	1	1	1	1	3

Bits:

Figure 9-589dy—GAS Flags field

The Group-addressed GAS subfield is set to 1 to indicate that the STA is capable of receiving Group Addressed GAS Request and Group Addressed GAS Response frames and is set to 0 otherwise.

The Fragment Retransmission subfield, when present in a GAS Initial Response frame, is set to 1 to indicate that the responding STA is capable of retransmitting a GAS Query Response fragment upon request and is set to 0 otherwise.

The Maximum Channel Time Flag subfield is set to 1 to indicate that the Maximum Channel Time field is present in the element and is set to 0 otherwise.

The Fragment ID Flag subfield is set to 1 to indicate that Fragment ID field is present in the element and is set to 0 otherwise.

The Response Map Flag subfield is set to 1 to indicate that the Number of Response Map Duples field and the Response Map Duples field are present in the element and is set to 0 otherwise.

The Maximum Channel Time field indicates the maximum duration the STA will, or needs to, remain on the channel to receive a GAS Initial Response, a GAS Comeback Response, or Group Addressed GAS Response, expressed as a multiple of 10 TUs beginning from the end of the PPDU carrying this element. The field has a valid range of 1–255.

The Fragment ID field, when present in the GAS Comeback Request, indicates which fragment the STA is requesting. It is present only when the Fragment ID Flag subfield is set to 1 in the GAS Flags field.

The Number of Response Map Duples field indicates the number of Response Map Duple subfields contained in the Response Map Duples field. It is present only when the Response Map Flag subfield is set to 1 in the GAS Flags field. When present, the Number of Response Map Duples field is set to a nonzero value and the value of zero is reserved.

The Response Map Duples field is present only when the Number of Response Map Duples field is present and contains a nonzero value. The Response Map Duples field, when present, contains one or more Response Map Duple subfields as indicated by the Number of Response Map Duples field. The format of the Response Map Duple subfield is shown in Figure 9-589dz. The Response Map Duples field is included in a Group Addressed GAS Response frame.

Requester MAC Address	Requester Dialog Token
6	1

Octets:
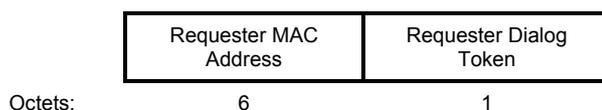
Figure 9-589dz—Response Map Duple subfield format

The Response Map Duple subfield contains a Requester MAC Address subfield and a Requester Dialog Token subfield. An AP or PCP includes one or more Response Map Duple subfields in a Group Addressed GAS Response frame.

9.4.5 Access Network Query Protocol (ANQP) elements

9.4.5.1 General

Insert the following rows into Table 9-271 in numeric order, and change the Reserved row accordingly:

Table 9-271—ANQP-element definitions

ANQP-element name	Info ID	ANQP-element (subclause)
Service Information Request	281	9.4.5.28
Service Information Response	282	9.4.5.29

9.4.5.27 CAG ANQP-element

Change 9.4.5.27 as follows:

The CAG ANQP-element provides the info IDs for the ANQP-elements contained within a CAG associated with ANQP, or ANQP with Service Information Registry, and the current value of the ANQP CAG version, indicating the version of information within the CAG associated with ANQP, or ANQP with Service Information Registry. The selection of the specific number of info IDs and the specific values of info IDs in a CAG associated with ANQP is left to the implementation and is beyond the scope of this document.

Info ID	Length	ANQP CAG Version	Info ID 1	...	Info ID N (optional)
2	2	1	2		0 or 2

Octets:
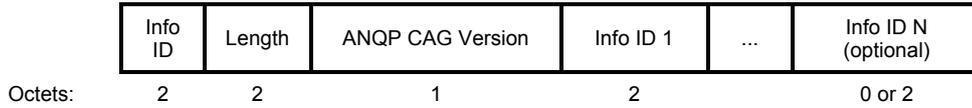
Figure 9-628e—CAG ANQP-element format

The Info ID and Length fields are defined in 9.4.5.1.

The ANQP CAG Version field indicates the current version of the CAG associated with ANQP, or ANQP with Service Information Registry.

The Info ID field represents the info ID of an ANQP-element Info ID specified in Table 9-271.

Insert the following subclauses (9.4.5.28 and 9.4.5.29, including Figure 9-628f to Figure 9-628i) after 9.4.5.27:

9.4.5.28 Service Information Request ANQP-element

The Service Information Request ANQP-element contains a generic request for service information associated with the service hash(es) provided.

The format of the Service Information Request ANQP-element is shown in Figure 9-628f.

Info ID	Length	Service Information Request Tuples
2	2	variable

Octets:

Figure 9-628f—Service Information Request ANQP-element format

The Info ID and Length fields are defined in 9.4.5.1.

The Service Information Request Tuples field contains one or more Service Information Request Tuple subfields. The format of the Service Information Request Tuple subfield is shown in Figure 9-628g.

Service Hash	Service Information Request Attribute Length	Service Information Request Attribute
6	1	variable

Octets:

Figure 9-628g—Service Information Request Tuple subfield format

The Service Hash field contains a 6-octet service hash value. See 11.25a.4 for procedures for generating a service hash.

The Service Information Request Attribute Length subfield indicates the length of the Service Information Request Attribute subfield.

The Service Information Request Attribute subfield contains a service-specific query. The value of this subfield is out of the scope of this standard.

9.4.5.29 Service Information Response ANQP-element

The Service Information Response ANQP-element contains the detailed service information in response to a Service Information Request ANQP-element.

The format of the Service Information Response ANQP-element is shown in Figure 9-628h.

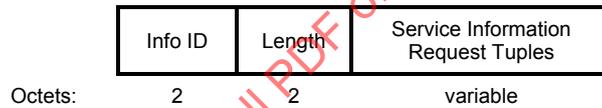| Info ID	Length	Service Information Response Tuples
Octets: 2	2	variable
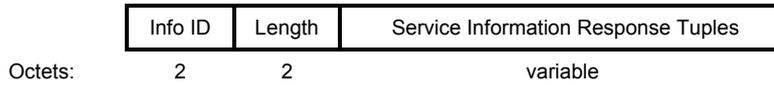
Figure 9-628h—Service Information Response ANQP-element format

The Info ID and Length fields are defined in 9.4.5.1.

The Service Information Response Tuples field contains zero or more Service Information Response Tuple subfields.

The format of the Service Information Response Tuple subfield is shown in Figure 9-628i.

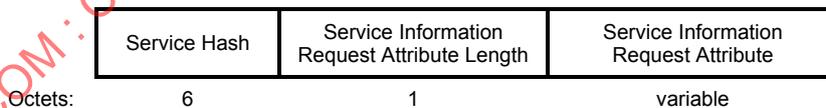| Service Hash	Service Information Response Attribute Length	Service Information Response Attribute
Octets: 6	2	variable
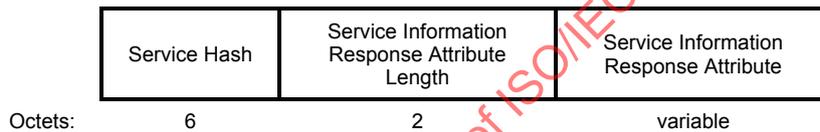
Figure 9-628i—Service Information Response Tuple subfield format

The Service Hash field contains a 6-octet service hash value. See 11.25a.4 for procedures for generating a service hash.

The Service Information Response Attribute Length subfield indicates the length of the Service Information Response Attribute subfield.

The content of the Service Information Response Attribute subfield is service specific based on the corresponding Service Information Request Attribute subfield in the Service Information Request Tuples of the Service Information Request ANQP-element as described in 9.4.5.28.

9.6.8 Public Action details

9.6.8.1 Public Action frames

Insert the following rows into Table 9-307 in numeric order, and change the Reserved row accordingly:

Table 9-307—Public Action field values

Public Action field value	Description
43	Group Addressed GAS Request
44	Group Addressed GAS Response

9.6.8.12 GAS Initial Request frame format

Insert the following rows into Table 9-313 in numeric order:

Table 9-313—GAS Initial Request Action field format

Order	Information
7	CAG Number (optional)
8	GAS Extension (optional)

Insert the following paragraphs at the end of 9.6.8.12:

When present in a GAS Initial Request frame, the CAG Number element includes one or more Common Advertisement Group (CAG) tuples. Each CAG tuple specifies a pair of CAG Version and CAG Information Type cached by the requesting STA and associated with the query request contained in the Query Request field.

The GAS Extension element indicating the STA support for GAS extension in GAS frame exchanges is optionally present if dot11GASExtensionImplemented is true.

9.6.8.13 GAS Initial Response frame format

Change the first paragraph of 9.6.8.13 as follows:

The GAS Initial Response frame is a Public Action frame. It is transmitted in response ~~responding~~ to a GAS Initial Request frame or a Group Addressed GAS Request frame. The format of the GAS Initial Response Action field is shown in Table 9-314.

Insert the following row into Table 9-314 in numeric order:

Table 9-314—GAS Initial Response Action field format

Order	Information
9	GAS Extension (optional)

Change the fourth paragraph of 9.6.8.13 as follows:

The Dialog Token field is copied from the corresponding GAS Initial Request frame or Group Addressed GAS Request frame.

Insert the following paragraph at the end of 9.6.8.13:

The GAS Extension element indicating the STA support for GAS extension in GAS frame exchanges is optionally present if dot11GASExtensionImplemented is true. It is included as a response to a GAS Initial Request frame containing a GAS Extension element.

9.6.8.14 GAS Comeback Request frame format

Insert the following row into Table 9-315 in numeric order:

Table 9-315—GAS Comeback Request Action field format

Order	Information
4	GAS Extension (optional)

Insert the following paragraph at the end of 9.6.8.14:

When present in a GAS Comeback Request frame, the GAS Extension element indicates a request to retransmit a GAS Query Response fragment.

Insert the following subclauses (9.6.8.45 and 9.6.8.46, including Table 9-325n and Table 9-325o) after 9.6.8.44:

9.6.8.45 Group Addressed GAS Request frame format

The Group Addressed GAS Request frame is a Public Action frame. It is transmitted by a requesting STA to request information from another STA. The format of the GAS Initial Request Action field is shown in Table 9-325n.

Table 9-325n—Group Addressed GAS Request Action field format

Order	Information
0	Category
1	Public Action
2	Dialog Token
3	Advertisement Protocol element
4	Query Request Length
5	Query Request
6	Multi-band (optional)
7	GAS Extension

The Category field is defined in 9.4.1.11.

The Public Action field is defined in 9.6.8.1.

The Dialog Token field is defined in 9.4.1.12 and set by the requesting STA.

The Advertisement Protocol element is defined in 9.4.2.93. The Advertisement Protocol element includes exactly one Advertisement Protocol ID.

The Query Request Length field format is provided in Figure 9-666. The value of the Query Request Length field is set to the total number of octets in the Query Request field.

The Query Request field format is provided in Figure 9-667. The Query Request field is a generic container whose value is a GAS Query that is formatted in accordance with the protocol identified in the Advertisement Protocol element.

When present in a Group Addressed GAS Request frame, the Multi-band element indicates the frequency band, operating class, and channel number to which the Group Addressed GAS Request frame applies.

The GAS Extension element indicates parameters that the AP or PCP may use to transmit a response back to the requesting STA.

9.6.8.46 Group Addressed GAS Response frame format

The Group Addressed GAS Response frame is a Public Action frame. It is transmitted in response to a GAS Initial Request frame or Group Addressed GAS Request frame. The format of the Group Addressed GAS Response Action field is shown in Table 9-325o.

Table 9-325o—Group Addressed GAS Response Action field format

Order	Information
0	Category
1	Public Action
2	Dialog Token
3	Status Code
4	Advertisement Protocol element
5	Query Response Length
6	Query Response
7	Multi-band (optional)
8	GAS Extension

The Category field is defined in 9.4.1.11.

The Public Action field is defined in 9.6.8.1.

The Dialog Token field is copied from the corresponding GAS Initial Request frame or Group Addressed GAS Request frame.

The Status Code values are defined in Table 9-46.

The Advertisement Protocol element is defined in 9.4.2.93. The Advertisement Protocol element includes exactly one Advertisement Protocol ID.

The Query Response Length field format is provided in Figure 9-669. The value of the Query Response Length field is set to the total number of octets in the Query Response field.

The Query Response field format is provided in Figure 9-670. The Query Response field is a generic container whose value is the response to a GAS Query and is formatted in accordance with the protocol specified in the Advertisement Protocol element.

When present in a Group Addressed GAS Response frame, the Multi-band element indicates the frequency band, operating class, and channel number to which the GAS Initial Response frame applies.

When present in a Group Addressed GAS Response frame, the GAS Extension element indicates parameters to which STA and which Query Request of the STA the response is responding.

9.6.22.2 Announce frame format

Insert the following rows into Table 9-416 in numeric order:

Table 9-416—Announce frame Action field format

Order	Information	Notes
26	Service Hash	The Service Hash element is optionally present if dot11UnsolicitedPADActivated is true; otherwise not present.
27	Service Hint	The Service Hint element is optionally present if dot11UnsolicitedPADActivated is true; otherwise not present.

10. MAC sublayer functional description

10.3 DCF

10.3.2 Procedures common to DCF and EDCAF

10.3.2.11 Duplicate detection and recovery

10.3.2.11.2 Transmitter requirements

Change the first paragraph of 10.3.2.11.2 as follows:

A STA maintains one or more sequence number spaces that are used when transmitting a frame to determine the sequence number for the frame. When multiple sequence number spaces are supported, the appropriate sequence number space is determined by information from the MAC control fields of the frame to be transmitted. Except as noted below, each sequence number space is represented by a modulo 4096 counter, starting at 0 and incrementing by 1, for each MSDU or MMPDU transmitted using that sequence number space. If dot11MACPrivacyActivated is true, the counter in each sequence number space shall be set to a random number modulo 4096 when the STA's MAC address is changed.

11. MLME

11.25 WLAN interworking with external networks procedures

11.25.3 Interworking procedures: generic advertisement service (GAS)

11.25.3.1 Introduction

Change the first paragraph of 11.25.3.1 as follows:

This subclause describes the actions and procedures that are used to invoke GAS. GAS may be used to enable network selection or service discovery for STAs when dot11InterworkingServiceActivated is true. GAS provides transport mechanisms for advertisement services while STAs are in the unassociated state as well as the associated state. This is accomplished via the use of Public Action frames, which are Class-1 frames. GAS information shall be transmitted using individually addressed Public Action frames. When management frame protection is negotiated, stations shall use individually addressed Protected Dual of Public Action frames instead of individually addressed Public Action frames.

Insert the following paragraphs after the second paragraph ("A GAS frame exchange ....") of 11.25.3.1:

A STA may transmit group addressed GAS Query Request. Multiple STAs that receive a group addressed GAS Query Request may send a unicast or group addressed GAS Query Response.

A STA that receives multiple, similar GAS Query Requests from multiple STAs that require the same GAS Query Response may aggregate the response and transmit a group addressed GAS Query Response.

A STA that receives a group addressed GAS Query Response may process the GAS Response information without transmitting a GAS Query Request frame.

11.25.3.2 GAS Protocol

11.25.3.2.1 General

Change the first paragraph of 11.25.3.2.1 as follows:

The presence of the Interworking element in Beacon or Probe Response frames indicates support for the GAS protocol. The additional presence of the GAS Extension element with the Group-addressed GAS subfield in the GAS Extension element set to true in a GAS Initial Request frame or group addressed GAS frames indicates support for the use of group addressed GAS frames. The presence of the Advertisement Protocol element in Beacon or Probe Response frames indicates the Advertisement Protocol IDs supported in the BSS or IBSS. A STA transmits a GAS Query Request in either a GAS Initial Request frame or a Group Addressed GAS Request frame, and the responding STA provides the GAS Query Response or information on how to receive the GAS Query Response in a GAS Initial Response frame or Group Addressed GAS Response frame. The GAS Query Response shall be delivered in a single GAS Initial Response frame, in a Group Addressed GAS Response frame, or in one or more GAS Comeback Response frames. The GAS Query Response shall not be split between a GAS Initial Response frame and one or more GAS Comeback Response frames or between a Group Addressed GAS Response frame and one or more GAS Comeback Response frames. The GAS message sequence diagrams are shown in Figure 11-38, Figure 11-39, and Figure 11-40, and Figure 11-40a.

Insert the following paragraph after the first paragraph of 11.25.3.2.1:

If a GAS Initial Request frame or a Group Addressed GAS Request frame contains a Maximum Channel Time field in the GAS Extension Element and if the conditions for replying as described in 11.25.3.2.3 and 11.25.3.2.4 are met, the responding STA shall queue for transmission a GAS Initial Response frame or a Group Addressed GAS Response frame within the indicated Maximum Channel Time.

Insert the following paragraphs (including Figure 11-40a to Figure 11-40d) at the end of 11.25.3.2.1:

Figure 11-40a describes the GAS frame exchange sequence when a STA sends a Group Addressed GAS Request frame to a group of STAs. The receiving STA may or may not respond to the GAS Query Request. If the receiving STA responds, it may respond with either a GAS Initial Response frame or a Group Addressed GAS Response frame.
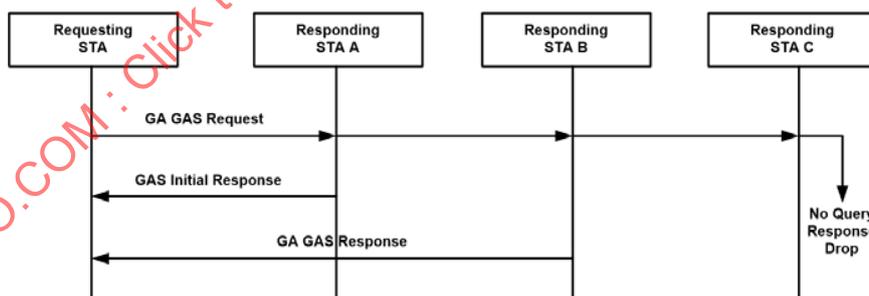

Figure 11-40a—Group addressed GAS Query Request exchange sequence

Figure 11-40b describes a GAS frame exchange sequence when multiple STAs send a GAS Initial Request frame that would result in the same GAS Query Response. The receiving STA responds with a Group Addressed GAS Response frame.
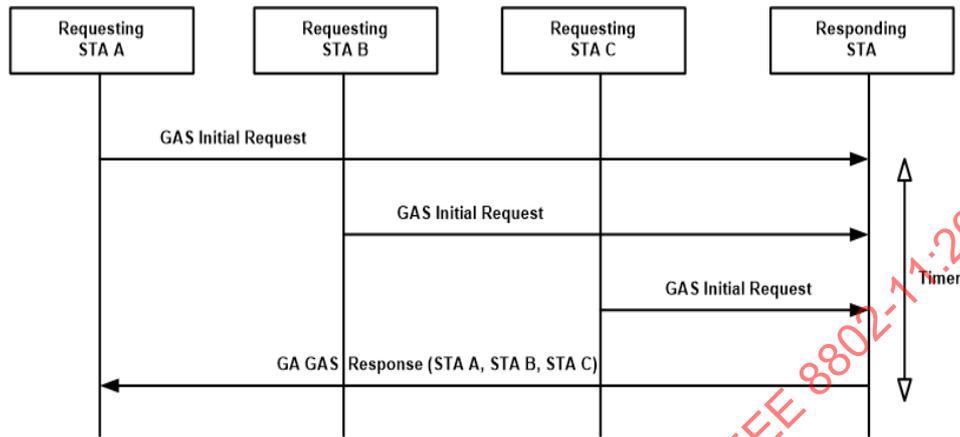

Figure 11-40b—Group addressed GAS Query Response exchange sequence

Figure 11-40c describes the GAS frame exchange sequence when a STA issues a GAS Initial Request frame and, during the course of receiving a fragmented GAS Comeback Response frame, requests a specific fragment for retransmission from the transmitting STA.

Figure 11-40d describes a GAS frame exchange sequence using CAG Version when a requesting STA requests information that the requesting STA has a cached version of a previous query response and the associated Common Advertisement Group (CAG) Version. The requesting STA provides its cached CAG Version in a GAS Initial Request frame along with the query request. When the responding STA determines that the CAG Version cached by the requesting STA matches a valid CAG Version that the responding STA receives from a relevant Advertisement Server as indicated by the CAG Information Type, which is provided by the requesting STA in the same CAG Tuple field that contains the cached CAG Version, then the responding STA provides a GAS response indicating that the information cached by the requesting STA is still valid. When the responding STA determines that the CAG Version cached by the requesting STA does not match any valid CAG Version that the responding STA receives from a relevant Advertisement Server as indicated by the CAG Information Type, which is provided by the requesting STA in the same CAG Tuple field that contains the cached CAG Version, then the responding STA posts the query request to the relevant Advertisement Server as specified in 11.25.3.2.3, receives a query response from the Advertisement Server, and transmits the query response to the requesting STA as specified in 11.25.3.2.4.

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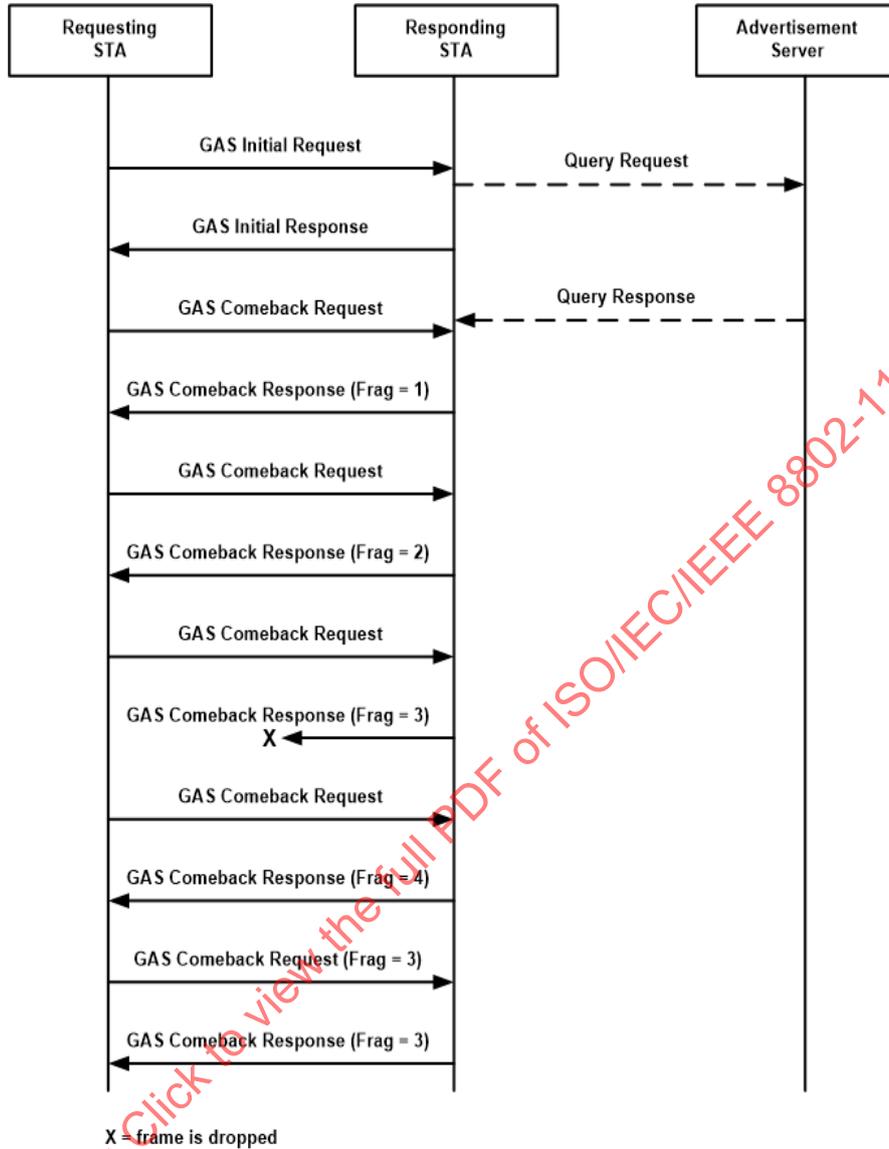Amendment 5: Preassociation Discovery

Figure 11-40c—Group addressed GAS Query for a specific fragment exchange sequence
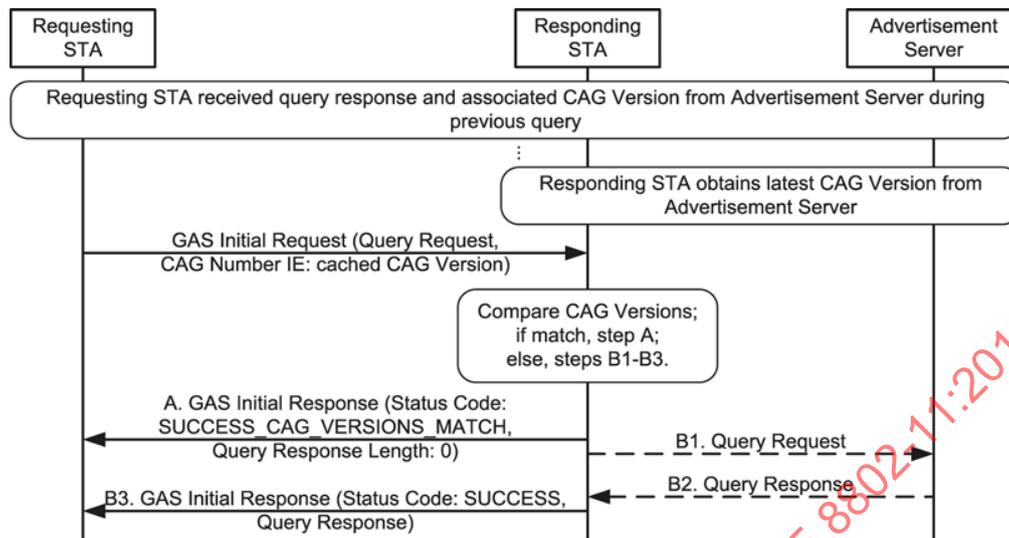
Figure 11-40d—GAS frame exchange sequence using CAG Version

Change 11.25.3.2.2 and 11.25.3.2.3 as follows:

11.25.3.2.2 STA procedures to transmit a GAS Query

Upon receipt of an MLME-GAS.request primitive, the requesting STA shall engage in the following procedure to transmit a query:

a) If GAMode in the primitive is null or set to false, tThe requesting STA sends a GAS Query by transmitting a GAS Initial Request frame containing a Dialog Token, an Advertisement Protocol element containing an Advertisement Protocol ID, and the GAS Query in the Query Request field. If the GAS Initial Request frame requests information relating to a frequency band different from the frequency band in which the frame is transmitted, the STA shall include a Multi-band element in the GAS Initial Request frame with the Band ID, Operating Class, and Channel Number fields set to indicate to which frequency band the GAS Initial Request frame applies, with other fields in the Multi-band element being reserved. If the frame requests information relating to the frequency band in which the frame is transmitted, a Multi-band element shall not be included in the frame. If the GAS Initial Request frame requests information that the requesting STA has a cached version of a previous query response and the associated CAG Version, the requesting STA may include the cached CAG Version and the associated CAG Information Type in a CAG Number element in the GAS Initial Request frame. If GAMode in the primitive is set to true, the requesting STA transmits a Group Addressed GAS Request frame including a GAS Extensions element with the Maximum Channel Time field set to the value of the dot11GASResponseTimeout divided by 10, rounded to the nearest integer, and limited to a value of 255.

b) Upon transmission of the GAS Initial Request frame or Group Addressed GAS Request frame, the STA shall set a timer, referred to as the *dot11GASResponseTimer*, equal to dot11GASResponseTimeout or the QueryFailureTimeout parameter provided in the MLME-GAS.request primitive. If both values are present, the timer shall be set to the lesser of the two values.

c) If the requesting STA is not in the associated state, it shall remain in active mode until the receipt of a GAS Initial Response frame or Group Addressed GAS Response frame with the same value of the Dialog Token field as in the GAS Initial Request frame or until the expiration of the timer, whichever occurs first. If the requesting STA is in the associated state, it may go into power save

state until the GAS Initial Response frame or Group Addressed GAS Response frame is available for receipt or the timer expiration, whichever occurs first.

d) If the dot11GASResponseTimer expires before a GAS Initial Response frame or Group Addressed GAS Response frame is received, the GAS Query was not successful and the MLME shall issue an MLME-GAS.confirm primitive with ResultCode equal to GAS_QUERY_TIMEOUT and shall set the Query Response Length field to 0.

11.25.3.2.3 STA procedures to post a GAS Query to an Advertisement Server

Upon receipt of a GAS Initial Request or a Group Addressed GAS Request frame, an MLME-GAS.indication primitive shall be issued to the STA's SME. Upon receipt of an MLME-GAS.indicationresponse primitive indicating the receipt of a GAS Initial Request frame, the STA shall transmit a GAS Initial Response or Group Addressed GAS Response frame to the requesting STA according to the following procedures. Upon receipt of an MLME-GAS.indication primitive indicating the receipt of a Group Addressed GAS Request frame, the STA may transmit a GAS Initial Response frame to the requesting STA or transmit a Group Addressed GAS Response frame according to the following procedures. If the requesting STA is in the associated state and in the power save mode, the responding STA shall buffer the MMPDU for transmission according to the procedures in 11.2.3; otherwise the STA shall queue the MMPDU for transmission as follows:

a) If the Advertisement Protocol ID in the Advertisement Protocol element does not equal the value contained in any dot11GASAdvertisementID, then the STA shall not post the query to an Advertisement Server. The STA shall transmit an individually addressed GAS Initial Response frame to the requesting STA containing a dialog token whose value is identical to the dialog token in the GAS Initial Request frame, a Status Code equal to GAS_ADVERTISEMENT_PROTOCOL_NOT_SUPPORTED (see Table 9-46), an Advertisement Protocol element containing the Advertisement Protocol ID used in the GAS Initial Request frame and a Comeback Delay and Query Response Length both set to 0.

b) If the query request corresponds to an Advertisement Protocol whose server is currently unreachable, the responding STA shall transmit an individually addressed GAS Initial Response frame to the requesting STA containing a dialog token whose value is identical to the dialog token in the GAS Initial Request frame, a Status Code equal to SERVER_UNREACHABLE, an Advertisement Protocol element containing an Advertisement Protocol ID equal to the Advertisement Protocol ID contained in the GAS Initial Request frame, and a GAS Comeback Delay and Query Response Length both set to 0. The method used by the AP to determine the server is unreachable is out of the scope of this standard. A STA receiving a status code indicating SERVER_UNREACHABLE should wait at least 1 min before transmitting any further queries using the same Advertisement Protocol ID to the responding STA.

c) If the GAS Initial Request frame includes a CAG Number element and all the CAG Versions in the CAG Number element match a valid CAG Version that the STA receives from the associated Advertisement Server, which is identified by the CAG Information Type subfield within the same CAG Tuple field as the CAG Version subfield, then the STA may transmit an individually addressed GAS Initial Response frame to the requesting STA containing a dialog token whose value is identical to the dialog token in the GAS Initial Request frame, a Status Code equal to SUCCESS_CAG_VERSIONS_MATCH, an Advertisement Protocol element containing the Advertisement Protocol ID used in the GAS Initial Request frame, and a GAS Comeback Delay and Query Response Length both set to 0, without posting the query to an Advertisement Server. This completes the GAS Query and GAS Query Response exchange.

d) c) If the Advertisement Protocol ID in the Advertisement Protocol element equals the value contained in any dot11GASAdvertisementID, then the STA shall initialize a timer, referred to as the *PostReplyTimer*, to the value of the Maximum Channel Time field times 10, if received in the GAS Initial Request or Group Addressed GAS Request frame, or otherwise, to the value in dot11GASResponseTimeout. and The STA posts the query to the Advertisement Server identified

by the Advertisement Protocol ID. If the GAMode associated with the Query Request is true, the STA includes the GAMode parameter, the GAS extension information, the MAC Address, and the Dialog token when it posts the query to the Advertisement Server for processing. The methods and protocols the STA uses to post the query are outside the scope of this standard.

1) If the GAMode associated with the Query Request is true and the Advertisement Server has no response to the Query Request, the Advertisement Server may drop the request.

2) If the Advertisement Server receives multiple GAS Query Requests resulting in the same response, the Advertisement Server may aggregate these responses into a single GAS Query Response. The Advertisement Server responds to the STA including the aggregated responses as described in 11.25.3.2.4a.

e) d) If dot11GASPauseForServerResponse is false, the responding STA shall transmit an individually addressed GAS Initial Response frame to the requesting STA containing a dialog token whose value is identical to the dialog token in the GAS Initial Request frame, a Status Code set to SUCCESS, an Advertisement Protocol element containing the Advertisement Protocol ID used in the GAS Initial Request frame, a GAS Comeback Delay set to the value in dot11GASComebackDelay for this Advertisement Protocol, and a Query Response Length set to 0.

f) e) If dot11GASPauseForServerResponse is true, the GAS Query Response is delivered as defined in 11.25.3.2.4.

11.25.3.2.4 STA procedures for transmitting the GAS Query Response

Change the fourth paragraph in 11.25.3.2.4 as follows:

The following procedures shall be used by the responding STA to deliver the query response to the requesting STA:

a) If dot11GASPauseForServerResponse is true:

1) If the query response is received from the Advertisement Server before the PostReplyTimer expires, and if the query response's length is less than or equal to the maximum MMPDU size and the query response is not an aggregated response, the STA shall transmit an individually addressed GAS Initial Response frame to the requesting STA containing a dialog token whose value is identical to the dialog token in the GAS Initial Request frame, a Status Code set to SUCCESS, an Advertisement Protocol element containing the Advertisement Protocol ID used in the GAS Initial Request frame or the Group Addressed Request frame, a GAS Comeback Delay set to 0, the Query Response and a Query Response Length set to the query response length. This completes the GAS request and response exchange.

2) If the query response is received from the Advertisement Server before the PostReplyTimer expires, and if the query response's length is less than or equal to the maximum MMPDU size and the query response is an aggregated response, the STA shall transmit a Group Addressed GAS Response frame containing a dialog token set to 0, a Status Code set to SUCCESS, an Advertisement Protocol element containing the Advertisement Protocol ID used in the GAS Initial Request frame or the Group Addressed Request frame, a GAS Comeback Delay set to 0, the Query Response and a Query Response Length set to the query response length, and a GAS Extension element containing a list of MAC Address/Dialog Token pairs in the Response Map Duples subfield of the GAS Extension element, identifying the requesting STAs and their Query Requests to which the Group Addressed GAS Response frame responds. This completes the GAS request/response exchange.

3) 1) If the PostReplyTimer expires before the GAS Query Response is received from the Advertisement Server for responding to a GAS Initial Request frame, then the responding STA shall transmit an individually addressed GAS Initial Response frame to the requesting STA containing a dialog token whose value is identical to the dialog token in the GAS Initial Request frame, a Status Code set to GAS_QUERY_TIMEOUT (see Table 9-46), an

Advertisement Protocol element containing the Advertisement Protocol ID used in the GAS Initial Request frame, a GAS Comeback Delay set to 0 and a Query Response Length set to 0. If the query response is subsequently received from the Advertisement Server, it shall be dropped by the responding STA.

4) If the PostReplyTimer expires before the query response is received from the Advertisement Server for responding to a Group Addressed GAS Request frame, then the responding STA shall not transmit an individually addressed GAS Initial Response frame or a Group Addressed GAS Response frame to the requesting STA. Note: If there is no response to the Query Request, the Advertisement Server may drop the request.

5) 2) If the Query Response received from the Advertisement Server is larger than dot11GASQueryResponseLengthLimit or requires more than 128 fragments for transmission to the requesting STA, it shall be dropped by the responding STA. Then the responding STA shall transmit an individually addressed GAS Initial Response frame to the requesting STA containing a dialog token whose value is identical to the dialog token in the GAS Initial Request frame, a Status Code set to GAS_QUERY_RESPONSE_TOO_ LARGE (see Table 9-46), an Advertisement Protocol element containing the Advertisement Protocol ID used in the GAS Initial Request frame, a GAS Comeback Delay set to 0 and a Query Response Length set to 0.

3) If the query response's length is less than or equal to the maximum MMPDU size, the STA shall transmit an individually addressed GAS Initial Response frame to the requesting STA containing a dialog token whose value is identical to the dialog token in the GAS Initial Request frame, a Status Code set to SUCCESS, an Advertisement Protocol element containing the Advertisement Protocol ID used in the GAS Initial Request frame or the Group addressed Request frame, a GAS Comeback Delay set to 0, the Query Response and a Query Response Length set to the query response length. This completes the GAS Query and GAS Query Response exchange.

6) 4) If the query response's length is larger than the maximum MMPDU size, the responding STA shall transmit an individually addressed GAS Initial Response frame to the requesting STA containing a dialog token whose value is identical to the dialog token in the GAS Initial Request frame, a Status Code set to SUCCESS, an Advertisement Protocol element containing the Advertisement Protocol ID used in the GAS Initial Request frame, a GAS Comeback Delay set to 1 TU, and a Query Response Length set to 0; this indicates the query response will be transmitted using GAS Comeback Request and Response frames that support GAS fragmentation as follows. If the responding STA is capable of retransmitting a Query Response fragment upon request, the responding STA shall include, in the GAS Initial Response frame, a GAS Extension element with the Fragment Retransmission subfield of the GAS Flags field set to 1.

b) If dot11GASPauseForServerResponse is false:

1) If the PostReplyTimer expires before the GAS Query Response is received from the Advertisement Server then the responding STA shall buffer for transmission a GAS Comeback Response frame with a status code equal to GAS_QUERY_TIMEOUT (see Table 9-46). If the query response is subsequently received from the Advertisement Server, it shall be dropped by the STA.

2) If the Query Response received from the Advertisement Server is larger than dot11GASQueryResponseLengthLimit, it shall be dropped by the responding STA. Then the STA shall buffer for transmission a GAS Comeback Response frame with status code set to GAS_QUERY_RESPONSE_TOO_ LARGE.

c) If the Query Response is received before the expiration of the PostReplyTimer and its length is less than dot11GASQueryResponseLengthLimit, then the Query Response shall be buffered in one or more GAS Comeback Response frames with status code set to SUCCESS. The responding STA transmits one GAS Comeback Response frame in response to each GAS Comeback Request frame. If the Query Response received from the Advertisement Server is less than or equal to the maximum

MMPDU size, then the GAS Query Response Fragment ID shall be set to 0 and the More GAS Fragments field in the GAS Query Response Fragment ID shall be set to 0. If the Query Response received from the Advertisement Server is greater than the maximum MMPDU size, then the GAS Query Response Fragment ID shall be set to 0 if this is the first fragment of the Query Response transmitted; otherwise it shall be incremented by 1; the More GAS Fragments field in the GAS Query Response Fragment ID shall be set to 1 if there are more fragments of the Query Response to be transmitted; otherwise it shall be set to 0 (i.e., this fragment is the last fragment of the Query Response). If a responding STA receives a GAS Comeback Request that includes the GAS Extension element with the Fragment ID field set to a valid Fragment ID the responding STA shall respond with a GAS Comeback Response frame that includes the fragment corresponding to the received Fragment ID.

d) If a responding STA receives a GAS Comeback Request frame whose source MAC address and dialog token match the destination MAC address and value of the Dialog Token field respectively of an outstanding GAS Initial Response frame and the query response has not been received from the Advertisement Server and the PostReplyTimer has not expired, the responding STA shall transmit a GAS Comeback Response frame with status code equal to GAS_RESPONSE_NOT_RECEIVED_FROM _SERVER (see Table 9-46) and GAS Comeback Delay set to the value in dot11GASComebackDelay for this Advertisement Protocol to indicate when the requesting STA should come back to obtain its Query Response.

e) If a responding STA receives a GAS Comeback Request frame whose source MAC address and Dialog Token do not match the destination MAC address and value of the Dialog Token field respectively of an outstanding GAS Initial Response frame, the STA should transmit a GAS Comeback Response frame with a status code equal to NO_OUTSTANDING_GAS_REQUEST.

Insert the following paragraph after the fifth paragraph ("A requesting STA ....") in 11.25.3.2.4:

If the requesting STA supports GAS extension, and the requesting STA is unable to receive a GAS Query Response fragment, then the following procedures apply:

a) If the Fragment Retransmission subfield in the GAS Extension element in the corresponding GAS Initial Response frame is equal to 1, the requesting STA may transmit a GAS Comeback Request frame, including the GAS Extension element with the Fragment ID subfield of the GAS Flags field set to the fragment ID of the Query Response to be retransmitted. Upon successfully receiving the GAS Comeback Request, the responding STA shall transmit a GAS Comeback Response frame that includes the Query Response fragment corresponding to the value received in the Fragment ID field and with the GAS Query Response Fragment ID subfield in GAS Query Response Fragment field set to the value received in the Fragment ID field. If the Query Response fragment is not available, the responding SA shall respond with a GAS Comeback Response frame with a status code set to GAS_FRAGMENT_NOT_AVAILABLE.

b) If the corresponding GAS Initial Response frame does not contain a GAS Extension element or the value of the Fragment Retransmission subfield in the GAS Extension element is equal to 0, the requesting STA shall not request the retransmission of a GAS Query Response fragment using a GAS Comeback Request frame.

Insert the following subclause (11.25.3.2.4a) after 11.25.3.2.4:

11.25.3.2.4a Group addressed GAS procedures

Upon receipt of an MLME-GAS.request primitive with the GAMode parameter set to 1 (true), the requesting STA shall follow procedures defined in 11.25.3.2.2 to transmit a Group Addressed GAS Request frame instead of a GAS Initial Request frame.

Upon receipt of an aggregated Query Response from the Advertisement Server, the responding STA may transmit the aggregated Query responses using Group Addressed GAS Response frame to the receiving STAs. The length of the Group Addressed GAS Response frame shall not exceed the IEEE 802.11 maximum MMPDU size. The STA shall include a list of MAC Address/Dialog Token pairs in the Response Map duples subfield of the GAS Extension element included in the Group Addressed GAS Response frame.

11.25.3.3 ANQP procedures

11.25.3.3.1 General

Change the ninth paragraph in 11.25.3.3.1 as follows:

A ~~FILS~~ STA that makes use of the CAG Version is subject to the following:

— The STA may obtain the CAG Version from the CAG Number element received in Beacon or Probe Response frames.

— The STA searches its cached information using ~~either~~ the BSSID, HESSID, or SSID of the AP as an index to obtain the correct cached ANQP CAG Version entry.

— If the cached ANQP CAG Version does not match the CAG version received in Beacon or Probe Response frames, the STA should transmit an ANQP request for any of the ANQP-elements contained within the CAG. If the CAG Versions do match, the STA should use the stored ANQP attributes and information of the CAG for network discovery.

Change the column heading in Table 11-15, insert the following rows at the end of the table, and change the Symbols list as shown:

Table 11-15—ANQP usage

| ANQP-element name | ANQP-element (subclause) | ANQP-element type | BSS | | IBSS |
			AP	Non-AP and non-PCP STA	STA
Service Information Request	9.4.5.28	Q	R, G	T, G	—
Service Information Response	9.4.5.29	S	T, G	R, G	—

Symbols
Q   element is an ANQP request
S   element is an ANQP response
T   ANQP-element may be transmitted by MAC entity
R   ANQP-element may be received by MAC entity
G   Group addressed ANQP request/response may be transmitted and received by a MAC entity
—   ANQP-element is neither transmitted nor received by MAC entity

11.25.3.3.15 CAG procedure

Change 11.25.3.3.15 as follows:

The CAG ANQP-element is used by a requesting STA to perform an ANQP query to retrieve the Info IDs contained within the CAG associated with ANQP, or ANQP with Service Information Registry, and the current ANQP CAG Version associated with these Info IDs. If the requesting STA to perform an ANQP