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INTRODUCTION

As defined in IEC 62056-1-0, the IEC 62056 DLMS/COSEM suite provides specific communication profile standards for communication media relevant for smart metering.

Such communication profile standards specify how the COSEM data model and the DLMS/COSEM application layer can be used on the lower, communication media-specific protocol layers.

Communication profile standards refer to communication standards that are part of the IEC 62056 DLMS/COSEM suite or to any other open communication standard.

This International Standard specifies the DLMS/COSEM communication profile for ITU-T G.9903:2014 PLC communication based on OFDM technology.

ITU-T G.9903 PLC is designed to meet the following aims:

- Robustness: the communication profile shall be suited to severe powerline environments (see 5.3.2);

- Performance and scalability: it embeds adaptive modulation to use the proper modulation according to the quality of the link (see 5.3.2) within dense environments (up to 2 000 nodes in the same PAN);

- Security: it shall offer a secure environment (see 7.4);

- Openness: it shall be based on open standards in order to support multi-supplier solutions (see Clause 5);

- Flexibility and future proof: it shall be able to support future applications through using IPv6 networking capabilities (see 5.3.4).

This standard follows the rules defined in IEC 62056-5-3:2017, Annex A.

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1 Scope

This part of IEC 62056 specifies the IEC 62056 DLMS/COSEM communication profile for metering purposes based on the Recommendations ITU-T G.9901: *Narrowband orthogonal frequency division multiplexing power line communication transceivers – Power spectral density specification* and ITU-T G.9903:2014*, Narrowband orthogonal frequency division multiplexing power line communication transceivers for G3-PLC networks*, an Orthogonal Frequency Division Multiplexing (OFDM) Power Line Communications (PLC) protocol.

The physical layer provides a modulation technique that efficiently utilizes the allowed bandwidth within the CENELEC A (3 kHz – 95 kHz), CENELEC B (95 kHz – 125 kHz), ARIB (10 kHz – 450 kHz) and FCC (no specific frequency band limitations) bands, thereby allowing the use of advanced channel coding techniques. This enables a robust communication in the presence of narrowband interference, impulsive noise, and frequency selective attenuation.

The medium access control (MAC) layer allows the transmission of MAC frames through the use of the power line physical channel. It provides data services, frame validation control, node association and secure services.

The 6LoWPAN adaptation sublayer enables an efficient interaction between the MAC and the IPv6 network layer. The use of the IPv6 network protocol – the latest generation of IP protocols – opens a wide range of potential applications and services for metering purposes (but the applications are not limited to metering).

The transport layer, the application layer and the data model are as specified in the IEC 62056 DLMS/COSEM suite.

The scope of this communication profile standard is restricted to aspects concerning the use of communication protocols in conjunction with the COSEM data model and the DLMS/COSEM application layer. Data structures specific to a communication protocol are out of the scope of this communication profile standard.

NOTE   They are specified in the specific protocol standards.

Any project specific definitions of data structures and data contents may be provided in project specific companion specifications.

2 Normative references

The following documents are referred to in the text in such a way that some or all of their content constitutes requirements of this document. For dated references, only the edition cited applies. For undated references, the latest edition of the referenced document (including any amendments) applies.

IEC 60050-300, *International Electrotechnical Vocabulary – Electrical and electronic measurements and measuring instruments – Part 311: General terms relating to measurements – Part 312: General terms relating to electrical measurements – Part 313:*

Types of electrical measuring instruments – Part 314: Specific terms according to the type of instrument

IEC TR 62051, *Electricity metering – Glossary of terms*

IEC TR 62051-1, *Electricity metering – Data exchange for meter reading, tariff and load control – Glossary of terms – Part 1: Terms related to data exchange with metering equipment using DLMS/COSEM*

IEC 62056-1-0, *Electricity metering data exchange – The DLMS/COSEM suite – Part 1-0: Smart metering standardisation framework*

IEC 62056-4-7:2015, *Electricity metering data exchange – The DLMS/COSEM suite – Part 4-7: DLMS/COSEM transport layer for IP networks*

IEC 62056-5-3:2017, *Electricity metering data exchange – The DLMS/COSEM suite – Part 5-3: DLMS/COSEM application layer*

IEC 62056-6-1, *Electricity metering data exchange – The DLMS/COSEM suite – Part 6-1: Object identification system (OBIS)*

IEC 62056-6-2, *Electricity metering data exchange – The DLMS/COSEM suite – Part 6-2: COSEM interface classes*

IEC 62056-9-7:2013, *Electricity metering data exchange – The DLMS/COSEM suite – Part 9-7: Communication profile for TCP-UDP/IP networks*

Recommendation ITU-T G.9903:2014, *Narrowband Orthogonal Frequency Division Multiplexing Power Line Communication Transceivers for G3-PLC Networks available at http://www.itu.int/rec/T-REC-G.9903/en*

IETF RFC 768, *User Datagram Protocol. Edited by J. Postel. August 1980. Available from http://www.ietf.org/rfc/rfc768.txt*

IETF RFC 2460, *Internet Protocol, Version 6 (IPv6) Specification. Edited by S. Deering, R. Hinden. December 1998. Available from http://www.ietf.org/rfc/rfc2460.txt*

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IETF RFC 4861, *Neighbor Discovery for IP version 6 (IPv6). Available from http://www.ietf.org/rfc/rfc4861.txt*

IETF RFC 4862, *IPv6 Stateless Address Autoconfiguration. Available from http://www.ietf.org/rfc/rfc4862.txt*

IEEE 802.15.4:*IEEE Standard for Low-Rate Wireless Networks*