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- adding a calculation method for RSTP (rapid spanning tree protocol, IEEE 802.1Q),
- adding two new redundancy protocols: HSR (High-availability Seamless Redundancy) and DRP (Distributed Redundancy Protocol),
- moving former Clauses 1 to 4 (introduction, definitions, general aspects) and the Annexes (taxonomy, availability calculation) to IEC 62439-1, which serves now as a base for the other documents,
- moving Clause 5 (MRP) to IEC 62439-2 with minor editorial changes,

- moving Clause 6 (PRP) was to IEC 62439-3 with minor editorial changes,
- moving Clause 7 (CRP) was to IEC 62439-4 with minor editorial changes, and
- moving Clause 8 (BRP) was to IEC 62439-5 with minor editorial changes,
- adding a method to calculate the maximum recovery time of RSTP in a restricted configuration (ring) to IEC 62439-1 as Clause 8,
- adding specifications of the HSR (High-availability Seamless Redundancy) protocol, which shares the principles of PRP to IEC 62439-3 as Clause 5, and
- introducing the DRP protocol as IEC 62439-6.

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In the fault-free state of the network, the protocols of the IEC 62439 series provide ISO/IEC 8802-3 (IEEE 802.3) compatible, reliable data communication, and preserve determinism of real-time data communication. In cases of fault, removal, and insertion of a component, they provide deterministic recovery times.

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# INDUSTRIAL COMMUNICATION NETWORKS – HIGH AVAILABILITY AUTOMATION NETWORKS –

## Part 5: Beacon Redundancy Protocol (BRP)

### 1 Scope

The IEC 62439 series is applicable to high-availability automation networks based on the ISO/IEC 8802-3 (IEEE 802.3) (Ethernet) technology.

This part of the IEC 62439 series specifies a redundancy protocol that is based on the duplication of the network, the redundancy protocol being executed within the end nodes, as opposed to a redundancy protocol built in the switches. Fast error detection is provided by two beacon nodes, the switchover decision is taken in every node individually. The cross-network connection capability enables single attached end nodes to be connected on either of the two networks.

### 2 Normative references

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

IEC 60050-191, *International Electrotechnical Vocabulary – Chapter 191: Dependability and quality of service*

IEC 62439-1:2010, *Industrial communication networks – High availability automation networks – Part 1: General concepts and calculation methods*

ISO/IEC/TR 8802-1, *Information technology – Telecommunications and information exchange between systems – Local and metropolitan area networks – Specific requirements – Part 1: Overview of Local Area Network Standards (IEEE 802.1)*

ISO/IEC 8802-3:2000, *Information technology – Telecommunications and information exchange between systems – Local and metropolitan area networks – Specific requirements – Part 3: Carrier sense multiple access with collision detection (CSMA/CD) access method and physical layer specifications*

IEEE 802.1D, *IEEE standard for local Local and metropolitan area networks Media Access Control (MAC) Bridges*

IEEE 802.1Q, *IEEE standards for local and metropolitan area network. Virtual bridged local area networks*

### 3 Terms, definitions, abbreviations, acronyms, and conventions

#### 3.1 Terms and definitions

For the purposes of this document, the terms and definitions given in IEC 60050-191, as well as in IEC 62439-1, apply.

### 3.2 Abbreviations and acronyms

For the purposes of this document, the abbreviations and acronyms given in IEC 62439-1, apply, in addition to the following:

BRP	Beacon Redundancy Protocol
DANB	Double attached node implementing BRP

### 3.3 Conventions

This part of the IEC 62439 series follows the conventions defined in IEC 62439-1.

## 4 BRP overview

This clause specifies a protocol for an Ethernet network tolerant to all single point failures. This protocol is called Beacon Redundancy Protocol or BRP. A network based on the BRP is called a BRP network. The BRP network is based on switched ISO/IEC 8802-3 (IEEE 802.3) (Ethernet) and ISO/IEC/TR 8802-1 (IEEE 802.1) technologies and redundant infrastructure. In this network, the decision to switch between infrastructures is made individually in each end node.

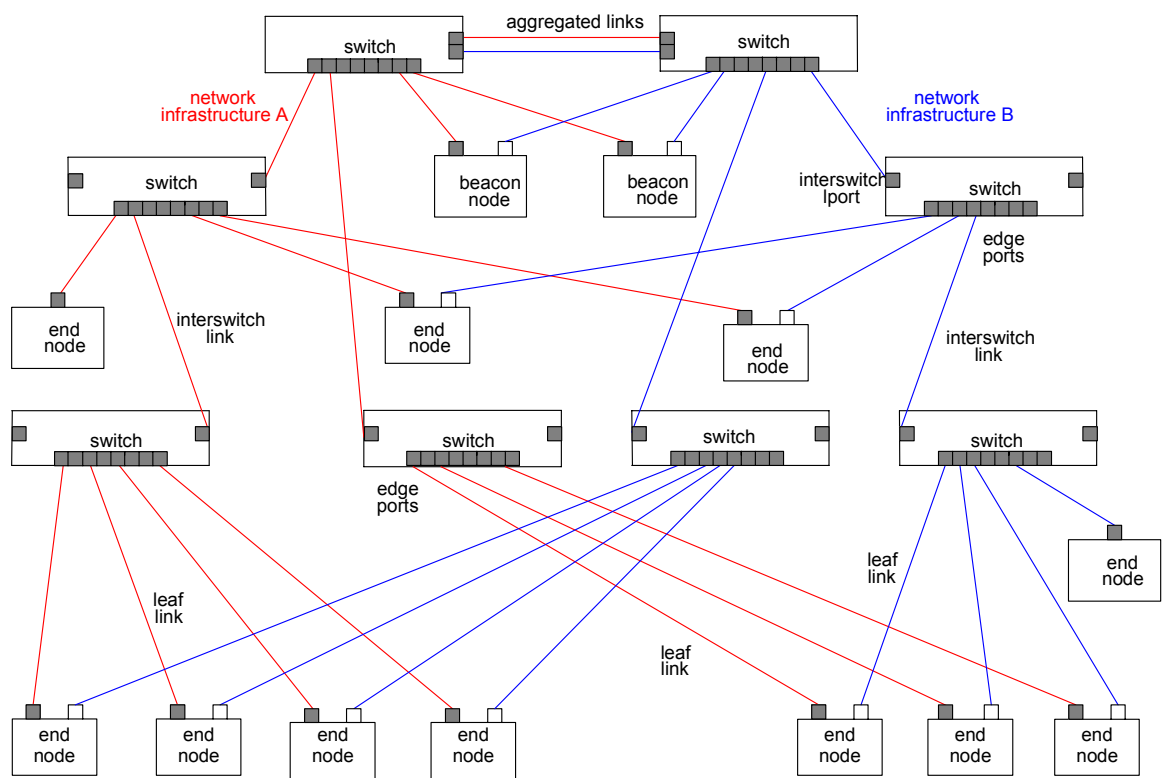
## 5 BRP principle of operation

### 5.1 General

Subclauses 5.2 to 5.4 are an explanation of overall actions performed by the BRP state machine. If a difference in the interpretation occurs between these subclauses and the state machines in 7, then the state machines take precedence.

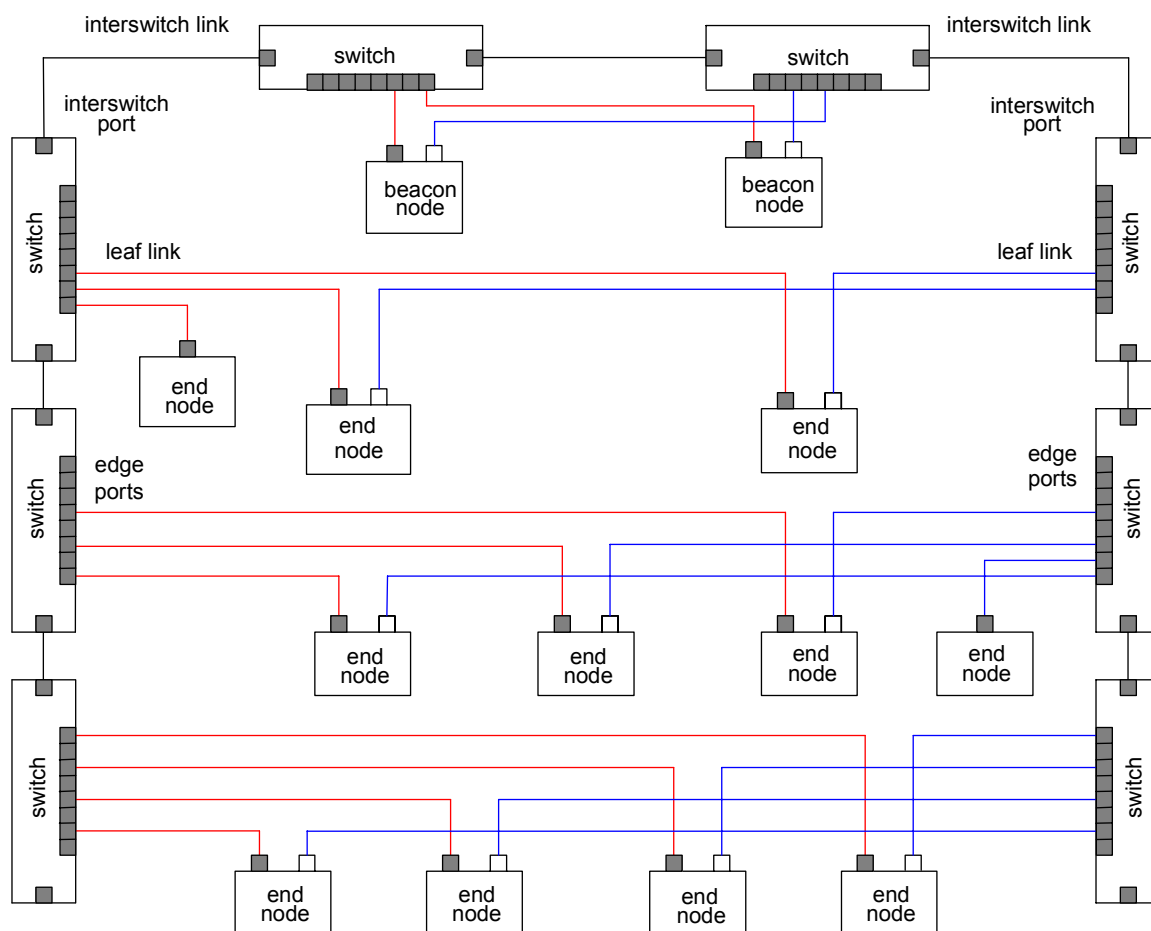
### 5.2 Network topology

The BRP network topology can be described as two interconnected top switches, each heading an underlying topology of star, line, or ring. Beacon end nodes shall be connected to the top switches. Examples of star, linear and ring BRP networks are shown in Figure 1, Figure 2 and Figure 3 respectively.



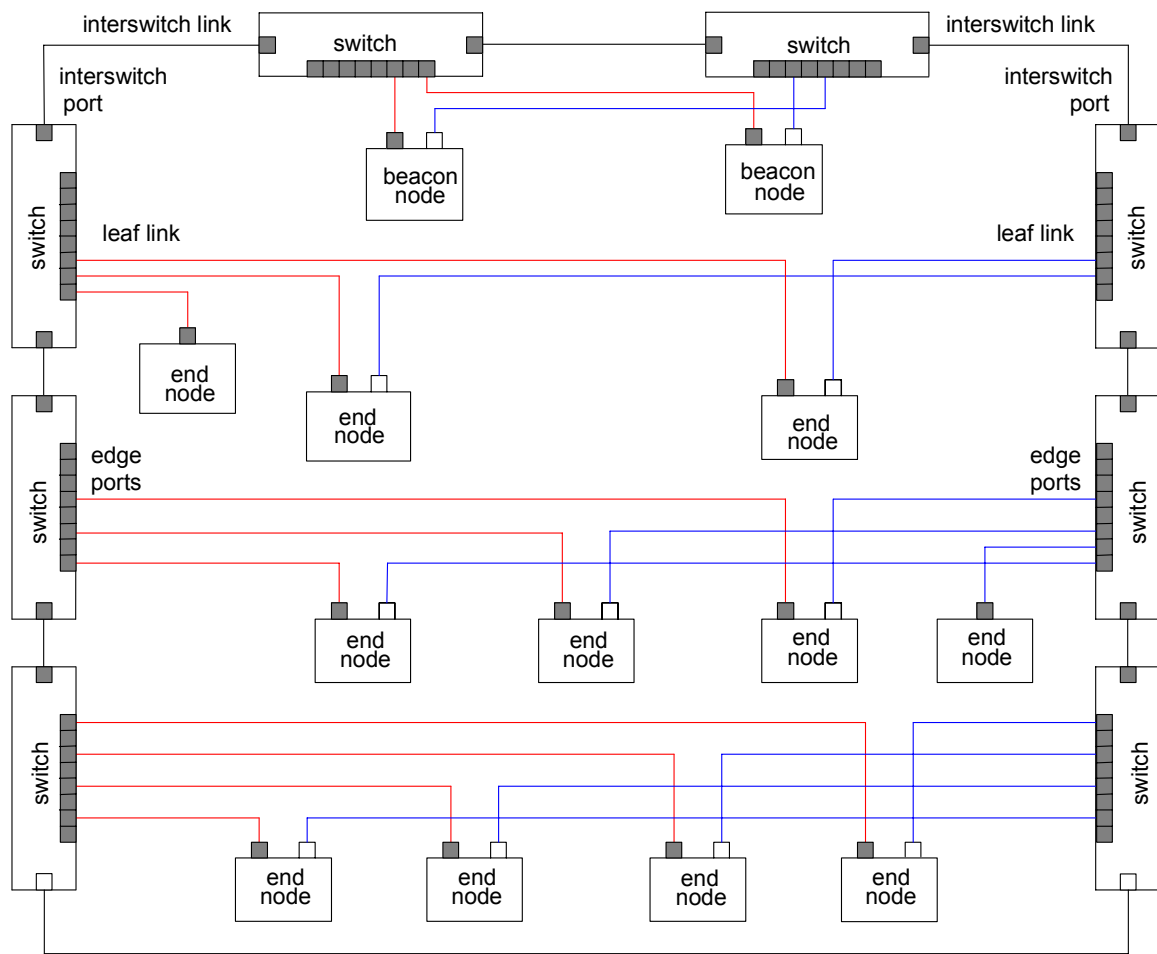
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Figure 1 – BRP star network example



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Figure 2 – BRP linear network example



**Figure 3 – BRP ring network example**

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### 5.3 Network components

The BRP network is built from layer 2 switches compliant with IEEE 802.1D and ISO/IEC 8802-3 (IEEE 802.3). No support of the BRP protocol in switches is required.

Figure 1 shows an example of a BRP star network in the 2-way redundancy mode. It uses two sets of network infrastructure A and B (shown in two different colours). The number of levels of switches and number of switches on each level are dependent only on application requirements. Even with three levels of hierarchy it is possible to construct very large networks. For example, a BRP star network built from switches with eight regular ports and one uplink port can contain 500 nodes maximum. Two switches at the top level shall be connected to each other with one or more links providing sufficient bandwidth. With link aggregation capability, traffic is shared among bundle of links and failure of one link does not bring the network down. With such an arrangement infrastructures A and B form a single network.

Two types of end nodes can be connected to the BRP network: doubly attached and singly attached. A doubly attached end node can function as a BRP end node or a BRP beacon end node. A BRP beacon end node is a special case of a doubly attached end node that is connected directly to the top switches. Though doubly attached BRP end nodes have two network ports they use only one MAC address.

At any given point in time a BRP end node actively communicates through only one of its ports, while blocking all transmit and receive traffic on its other port, with the exception of received beacon messages and Failure\_Notify messages. Fault tolerance is achieved in a

distributed fashion by BRP end nodes switching between their ports from inactive to active mode and vice versa.

As shown in Figure 1, Figure 2 and Figure 3, two beacon end nodes shall be connected to top level switches. Beacon end nodes multi/broadcast a short beacon message on the network periodically. Similarly to BRP end nodes, beacon end node at any given point in time actively communicates through only one of its ports, while blocking all traffic on its other port, with the exception of received Failure\_Notify messages. Fault tolerance is achieved by beacon end nodes switching between their ports from inactive to active mode and vice versa.

Singly attached end nodes may also be connected to BRP network but they do not support the BRP protocol. A singly attached node can communicate with doubly attached nodes as well as other singly attached nodes on the network.

Since switches are IEEE 802.1D compliant, they support the RSTP protocol. This eliminates loop formation in BRP ring networks like in the one shown in Figure 3.

#### 5.4 Rapid reconfiguration of network traffic

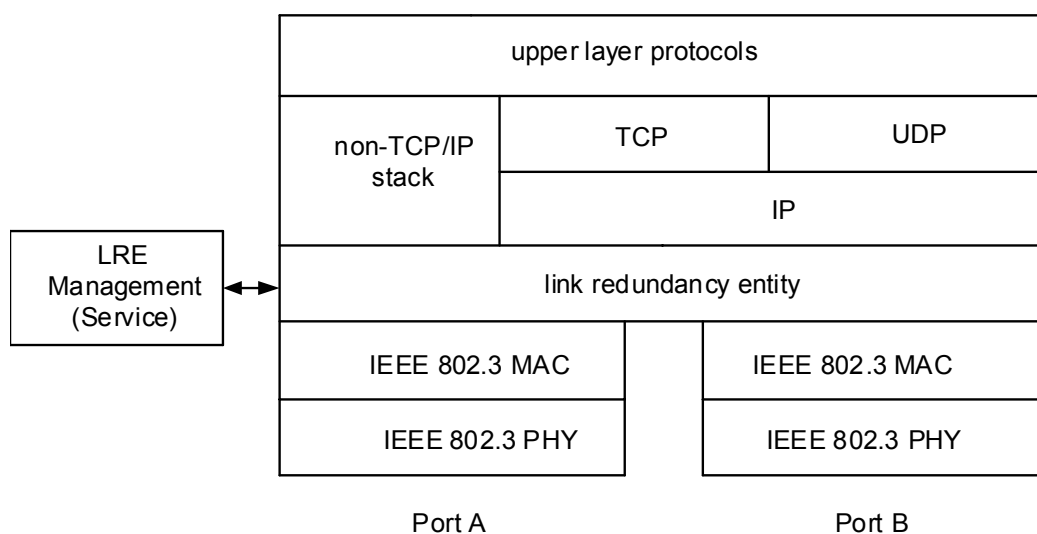
For fast reconfiguration, multicast control features in the switches shall be disabled. The multicast traffic is therefore treated as the broadcast traffic.

Unicast packets are affected by switches learning and filtering features. After end node port reconfiguration, switches have invalid knowledge. A switch implementing learning shall update its database when a packet with a learned MAC address in the source field is received on a different port from the learned port stored in the database.

When a BRP end node switches to the inactive port, its first action is to send a short multicast message, called Learning\_Update message, through its newly enabled port. As this message propagates through the network, switches update their MAC address database resulting in rapid reconfiguration of the unicast traffic. This message is of no interest to other end nodes in the network and is dropped by them.

### 6 BRP stack and fault detection features

Figure 4 shows the BRP stack architecture. It is applicable to both BRP and beacon end nodes.



**Figure 4 – BRP stack architecture**

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The BRP stack contains two identical ISO/IEC 8802-3 (IEEE 802.3) ports, identified here as ports A and B, connected to the network. These ports interface with the MAC sub-layer compliant with ISO/IEC 8802-3 (IEEE 802.3). Though there are two physical ports, a BRP end node uses only a single MAC address.

The link redundancy entity continuously monitors the status of leaf links between both ports and corresponding ports on the switches. When a failure of the leaf link between the end node active port and the corresponding port on the switch is detected, the link redundancy entity shall reconfigure end node ports, provided the inactive port was not in the fault mode as well. After reconfiguration, all traffic flows through the newly activated port. Some messages may be lost during the failure detection and reconfiguration process, and their recovery is supported by upper layer protocols which also deal with messages lost due to other network errors.

The link redundancy entity also monitors arrival of beacon messages on both ports. When a beacon message fails to arrive at the active port for a configured timeout period, the port is declared to be in the fault mode, and the link redundancy entity shall reconfigure end node ports, provided the other port was not in the fault mode as well. After reconfiguration all traffic starts flowing through newly activated port. Failure of beacon messages to arrive at inactive ports shall also be detected.

If one of the top switches fails, then all BRP nodes connected directly to it, or to network infrastructure below it, switch to the other network infrastructure. If, for example, the top switch of the LAN A fails, then all BRP nodes connected to LAN A switch over to LAN B.

If the fault occurred on a beacon end node, the network continues to operate without any problems, since the other beacon end node is active. The rate of beacon message arrival decreases from approximately two messages per beacon timer interval to one.

It is possible for transmit path failures to occur in the opposite direction to the flow of beacon messages. If such a fault manifests itself in the physical layer, it is detected by end nodes or switches adjacent to the faulty link. This results in a BRP end node reconfiguring its ports immediately or results in traffic being blocked on the affected link. The latter event leads to loss of beacon messages at the downstream end nodes, so they reconfigure themselves at expiry of the beacon timeout.

In a case when such failures are not detectable in the physical layer, the following mechanism is employed by the BRP link redundancy entity to detect them. The fault detection method for identifying all transmission failures shall be implemented using lists of communication nodes including a receive timeout value for each transmitting end node of interest to the node. This list may be communicated to the link redundancy entity manually or dynamically configured utilizing LRE management entity.

When a frame from a transmitting end node of interest fails to arrive before expiry of the associated Node\_Receive timer, the receiving end node shall send a Failure\_Notify message to the transmitting end node and send a Path\_Check\_Request message to beacon end nodes. Upon reception of a Failure\_Notify message, the transmitting end node shall attempt to verify the transmit path by sending the Path\_Check\_Request message to beacon end nodes. When beacon end nodes receive these messages, they shall respond with Path\_Check\_Response messages. When Path\_Check\_Request fails to elicit response, an end node shall place its active port in faulted state and activate its inactive port, provided it is not in fault mode as well.

BRP beacon end nodes also behave in a similar way. When a frame from a transmitting end node of interest fails to arrive before expiry of the associated Node\_Receive timer, the receiving beacon end node shall send a Failure\_Notify message to the transmitting end node and send a Path\_Check\_Request message to a designated set of end nodes. When beacon end nodes receive Failure\_Notify messages themselves, they shall verify their transmit path by sending a Path\_Check\_Request message to a designated set of end nodes. Upon receiving Path\_Check\_Request message, the designated end nodes shall respond with

Path\_Check\_Response message. When Path\_Check\_Request fails to elicit response, a beacon end node shall place its active port in faulted state and activate its inactive port, provided it is not in fault mode as well.

When the faulted port is restored, it shall stay idle until a switchover is initiated or the currently active port fails. When both ports are operational, the BRP end node shall periodically switch its message activity from one port to the other. This switchover is controlled by the Active\_Port\_Swap timer.

The LRE management entity is used to select an end node type (normal or beacon), configure protocol parameters (for example, beacon timer) and obtain the end node port status (active, failed, idle).

All detected failures shall be reported to the LRE management entity to trigger further diagnosis and repair. Fault diagnostics services shall be provided by LRE management entity or other accessible entities in the network.

## **7 BRP protocol specification**

### **7.1 MAC addresses**

BRP protocol shall use multicast address 01-15-4E-00-02-01. Both ports of a BRP node shall have the same MAC address for active communication.

### **7.2 EtherType**

The BRP protocol shall use assigned EtherType 0x80E1.

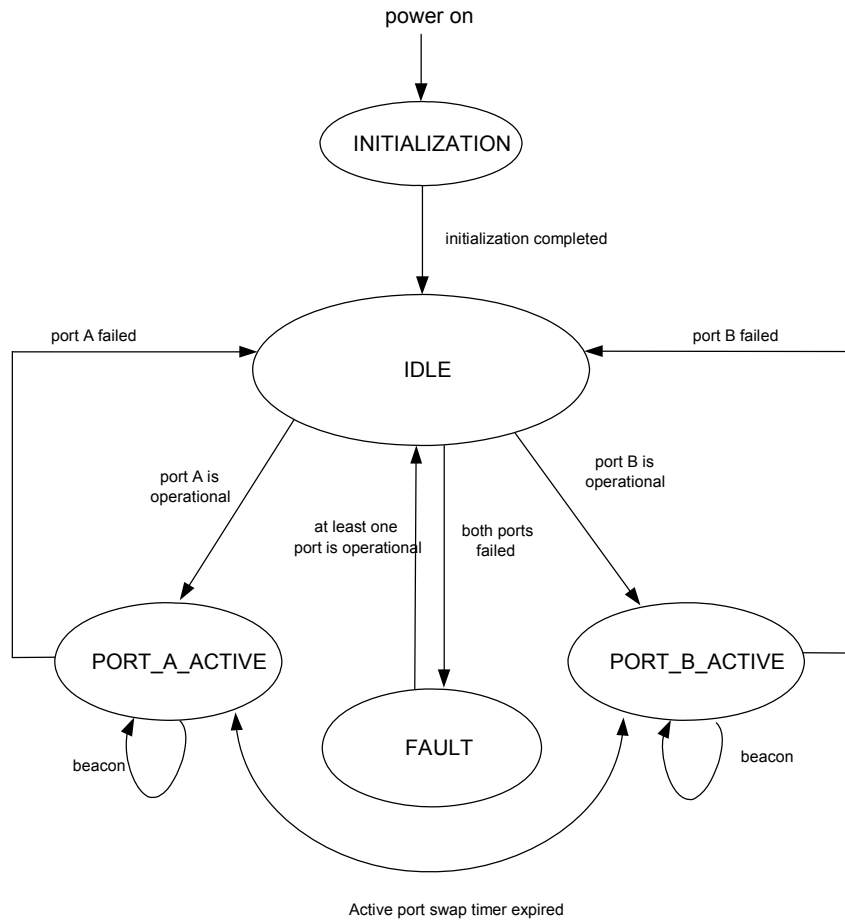
### **7.3 Fault detection mechanisms**

The following fault detection mechanisms are used:

- Link fault detection  
This mechanism covers physical layer failures in transmit and receive directions on a link directly connected to the end node.
- Receive path fault detection  
This is accomplished utilizing the beacon message transmission mechanism.
- Transmit path fault detection  
This is accomplished utilizing Failure\_Notify, Path\_Check\_Request, and Path\_Check\_Response messages. The periodic switchover between active and inactive ports ensures coverage of all transmit paths in the network.

### **7.4 End node state diagram**

The BRP end node state diagram is shown in Figure 5.



**Figure 5 – BRP state diagram of end node**

The BRP end node protocol state machine shall perform in accordance with the state transition table presented in Table 2.

When the node is powered up and passed the initialization process (the Initialization\_Completed flag is set), it resets the protocol state machine and transitions to the IDLE state.

Since Port\_A\_Failed and Port\_B\_Failed flags were initially set, the node immediately transitions from the IDLE to the FAULT state.

If link A is active and a beacon message is received on this link, then the node transitions from the FAULT state back to the IDLE. A Learning\_Update message is generated on this port and the node transitions from the IDLE to the PORT\_A\_ACTIVE state.

The node tests port B simultaneously with port A using the procedure described above. If both ports are operational, either one can be selected as the default.

Periodic reception of beacon messages (Beacon\_A\_Received is set) keeps the node in the PORT\_A\_ACTIVE state and trigger reset of the No\_Beacon\_A timer.

If, when in the PORT\_A\_ACTIVE state, link A becomes inactive (Link\_A\_Active is reset) or no beacon messages were received for a given time period (No\_Beacon\_A timer expired and Beacon\_A\_Received is reset), the node sets the Port\_A\_Failed flag and transitions to the IDLE state where it attempts to switch to port B.

Operation of port B is identical to operation of port A.



If a Node\_Receive timer expires, the receiving node sends a Failure\_Notify message to the associated transmitting end node and sends Path\_Check\_Request message on its active port to beacon end nodes. When the transmitting end node receives the Failure\_Notify message, it attempts to verify transmission path on its active port by sending a Path\_Check\_Request message on this port to beacon end nodes. When beacon nodes receive these messages, they issue Path\_Check\_Response messages addressed to the requesting node.

When Path\_Check\_Request fails to elicit response (Path\_A\_Check/Path\_B\_Check timer expired), the node sets the Path\_A\_Failed/Path\_B\_Failed flag and Port\_A\_Failed/Port\_B\_Failed flag, and transitions to the IDLE state where it attempts to switch to port B/A.

If both ports failed, then the node transitions from the IDLE to the FAULT state and stays there until one of the ports becomes operational. In FAULT state, a node continuously monitors link status (Link\_A\_Active/Link\_B\_Active flags) and beacon arrival status (Beacon\_A\_Received/Beacon\_B\_Received flags). If Path\_A\_Failed and/or Path\_B\_Failed flags were set, the node also sends Path\_Check\_Request and monitors arrival of Path\_Check\_Response message for corresponding ports. When one of the ports becomes operational (Port\_A\_Failed/Port\_B\_Failed is reset), the node transitions back to the IDLE state and then to PORT\_A\_ACTIVE/PORT\_B\_ACTIVE as appropriate.

When a node receives a Path\_Check\_Request message in PORT\_A\_ACTIVE or PORT\_B\_ACTIVE states, it responds with the Path\_Check\_Response message and stays in current state.

When in PORT\_A\_ACTIVE/PORT\_B\_ACTIVE state and the Active\_Port\_Swap timer expires, the node transitions to PORT\_B\_ACTIVE/PORT\_A\_ACTIVE state provided PORT\_B\_FAILED/PORT\_A\_FAILED is not set.

The No\_Beacon timer period is a configuration parameter selected for a specific system. The mandatory default value of the beacon period is 450  $\mu$ s, resulting in the default value of the No\_Beacon period of 950  $\mu$ s. The timeout period is chosen in such a way that at least two beacon messages from each beacon end node have to be lost before fault is declared on a port.

A BRP compliant end node shall be able to receive beacon messages over both of its ports sent from both beacon end nodes at the mandatory default value of the beacon period.

The Path\_A\_Check and Path\_B\_Check timer periods are configuration parameters selected for a specific system. The mandatory default value is 2 ms.

The Active\_Port\_Swap timer period is a configuration parameter selected for a specific system. The mandatory default value is 1 h.

Table 1 specifies the flags used in the BRP end node state machine.

**Table 1 – BRP end node flags**

Name	Description	Data Type
Initialization_Completed	Used to indicate initialization completed successfully	BOOL
Link_A_Active	Used to indicate physical layer link status of port A	BOOL
Beacon_A_Received	Used to indicate beacon message was received on port A	BOOL
Path_A_Failed	Used to indicate if Path_Check_Response message was received for Path_Check_Request message on port A	BOOL
Link_B_Active	Used to indicate physical layer link status of port B	BOOL
Beacon_B_Received	Used to indicate beacon message was received on port B	BOOL
Path_B_Failed	Used to indicate if Path_Check_Response message was received for Path_Check_Request message on port B	BOOL
Path_A_Request	Used to indicate if Path_Check_Request message was sent on port A	BOOL
Path_B_Request	Used to indicate if Path_Check_Request message was sent on port B	BOOL
Port_A_Failed	Used to indicate if port A has failed	BOOL
Port_B_Failed	Used to indicate if port B has failed	BOOL
NOTE In this table, BOOL means Boolean.		

Table 2 specifies the BRP end node state transition table.

**Table 2 – BRP end node state transition table**

State number	Current state	Event /Condition =>Action	Next state
1	INITIALIZATION	<b>Initialization is completed</b> => Set Initialization_Completed Reset Link_A_Active Reset Beacon_A_Received Stop No_Beacon_A timer Reset Path_A_Failed Stop Path_A_Check timer, reset Path_A_Request Reset Link_B_Active Reset Beacon_B_Received Stop No_Beacon_B timer Reset Path_B_Failed Stop Path_B_Check timer Reset Path_B_Request Set Port_A_Failed Set Port_B_Failed Stop Node_Receive timers Stop Active_Port_Swap timer	IDLE
2	IDLE, FAULT, PORT_A_ACTIVE, PORT_B_ACTIVE	<b>Port A link pass status</b> => Set Link_A_Active	STAY IN CURRENT STATE
3	IDLE, FAULT, PORT_A_ACTIVE, PORT_B_ACTIVE	<b>Port A link fail status</b> => Reset Link_A_Active	STAY IN CURRENT STATE
4	IDLE, FAULT, PORT_A_ACTIVE, PORT_B_ACTIVE	<b>Port B link pass status</b> => Set Link_B_Active	STAY IN CURRENT STATE
5	IDLE, FAULT, PORT_A_ACTIVE, PORT_B_ACTIVE	<b>Port B link fail status</b> => Reset Link_B_Active	STAY IN CURRENT STATE
6	IDLE, FAULT, PORT_A_ACTIVE, PORT_B_ACTIVE	<b>Beacon message received on port A</b> => Set Beacon_A_Received Start No_Beacon_A timer	STAY IN CURRENT STATE
7	IDLE, FAULT, PORT_A_ACTIVE, PORT_B_ACTIVE	<b>No_Beacon_A timer expired</b> => Reset Beacon_A_Received	STAY IN CURRENT STATE
8	IDLE, FAULT, PORT_A_ACTIVE, PORT_B_ACTIVE	<b>Beacon message received on port B</b> => Set Beacon_B_Received Start No_Beacon_B timer	STAY IN CURRENT STATE
9	IDLE, FAULT, PORT_A_ACTIVE,	<b>No_Beacon_B timer expired</b> =>	STAY IN CURRENT STATE

State number	Current state	Event /Condition =>Action	Next state
	PORT_B_ACTIVE	Reset Beacon_B_Received	
10	PORT_A_ACTIVE	<b>Failure_Notify message is received</b> => Send Path_Check_Request message on Port A Set Path_A_Request Start Path_A_Check timer	PORT_A_ACTIVE
11	PORT_B_ACTIVE	<b>Failure_Notify message is received</b> => Send Path_Check_Request message on port B Set Path_B_Request Start Path_B_Check timer	PORT_B_ACTIVE
12	PORT_A_ACTIVE, FAULT	<b>Path_A_Check timer expired</b> => Set Path_A_Failed Reset Path_A_Request	STAY IN CURRENT STATE
13	PORT_B_ACTIVE, FAULT	<b>Path_B_Check timer expired</b> => Set Path_B_Failed Reset Path_A_Request	STAY IN CURRENT STATE
14	PORT_A_ACTIVE, FAULT	<b>Path_Check_Response message is received on port A</b> => Stop Path_A_Check timer Reset Path_A_Failed Reset Path_A_Request	STAY IN CURRENT STATE
15	PORT_B_ACTIVE, FAULT	<b>Path_Check_Response message is received on port B</b> => Stop Path_B_Check timer Reset Path_B_Failed Reset Path_B_Request	STAY IN CURRENT STATE
16	IDLE, FAULT, PORT_A_ACTIVE, PORT_B_ACTIVE	<b>Link_A_Active is set AND Beacon_A_Received is set AND Path_A_Failed is reset</b> => Reset Port_A_Failed	STAY IN CURRENT STATE
17	IDLE, FAULT, PORT_A_ACTIVE, PORT_B_ACTIVE	<b>Link_A_Active is reset OR Beacon_A_Received is reset OR Path_A_Failed is set</b> => Set Port_A_Failed	STAY IN CURRENT STATE
18	IDLE	<b>Port_A_Failed is reset</b> => Send Learning_Update message on port A Start Node_Receive timers	PORT_A_ACTIVE

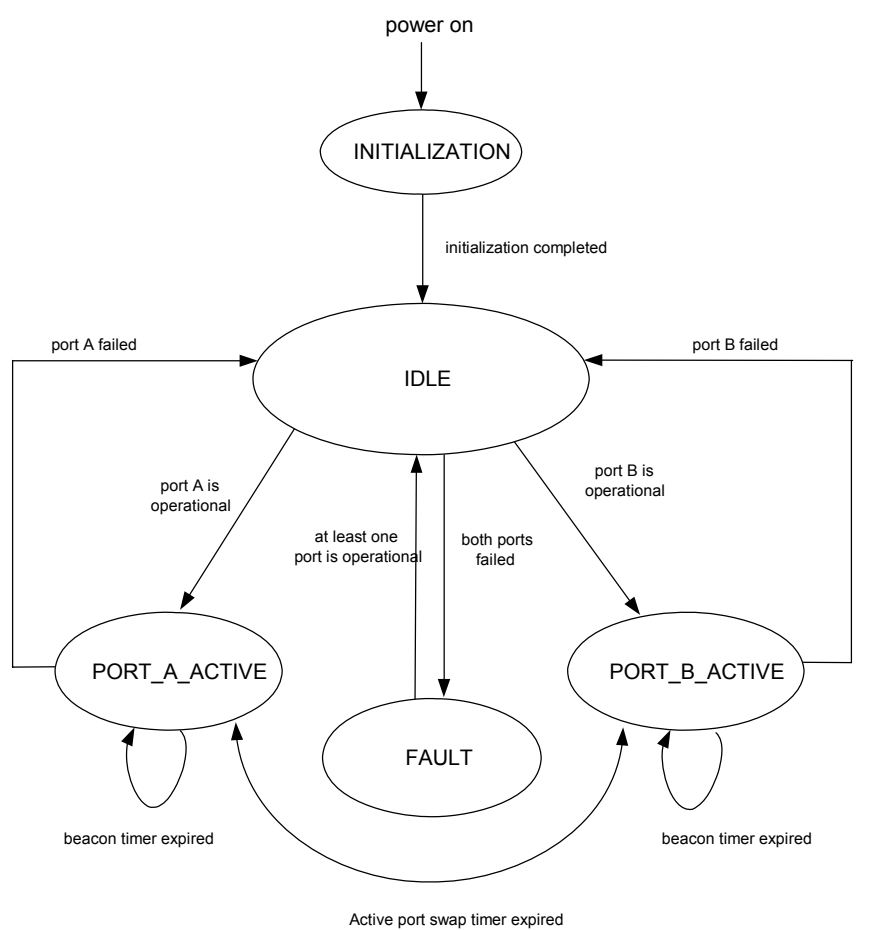
State number	Current state	Event /Condition =>Action	Next state
		Start Active_Port_Swap timer	
19	PORT_A_ACTIVE	<b>Port_A_Failed is set</b> => Stop Path_A_Check timer Reset Path_A_Request Stop Node_Receive timers Stop Active_Port_Swap timer	IDLE
20	IDLE, FAULT, PORT_A_ACTIVE, PORT_B_ACTIVE	<b>Link_B_Active is set</b> <b>AND</b> <b>Beacon_B_Received is set</b> <b>AND</b> <b>Path_B_Failed is reset</b> => Reset Port_B_Failed	STAY IN CURRENT STATE
21	IDLE, FAULT, PORT_A_ACTIVE, PORT_B_ACTIVE	<b>Link_B_Active is reset</b> <b>OR</b> <b>Beacon_B_Received is reset</b> <b>OR</b> <b>Path_B_Failed is set</b> => Set Port_B_Failed	STAY IN CURRENT STATE
22	IDLE	<b>Port_B_Failed is reset</b> => Send Learning_Update message on port B Start Node_Receive timers Start Active_Port_Swap timer	PORT_B_ACTIVE
23	PORT_B_ACTIVE	<b>Port_B_Failed is set</b> => Stop Path_B_Check timer Reset Path_B_Request Stop Node_Receive timers Stop Active_Port_Swap timer	IDLE
24	IDLE	<b>Port_A_Failed is set</b> <b>AND</b> <b>Port_B_Failed is set</b>	FAULT
25	FAULT	<b>Link_A_Active is set</b> <b>AND</b> <b>Beacon_A_Received is set</b> <b>AND</b> <b>Path_A_Failed is set</b> <b>AND</b> <b>Path_A_Request is reset</b> => Set Path_A_Request Send Path_Check_Request message on port A Start Path_A_Check timer	FAULT
26	FAULT	<b>Link_B_Active is set</b> <b>AND</b> <b>Beacon_B_Received is set</b> <b>AND</b> <b>Path_B_Failed is set</b> <b>AND</b> <b>Path_B_Request is reset</b>	FAULT

State number	Current state	Event /Condition =>Action	Next state
		=> Set Path_B_Request Send Path_Check_Request message on port B Start Path_B_Check timer	
27	FAULT	<b>Port_A_Failed is reset</b> <b>OR</b> <b>Port_B_Failed is reset</b>	IDLE
28	PORT_A_ACTIVE, PORT_B_ACTIVE	<b>Path_Check_Request message received on active port</b> => Send Path_Check_Response message on active port	STAY IN CURRENT STATE
29	PORT_A_ACTIVE, PORT_B_ACTIVE	<b>Frame received from transmit node of interest on active port</b> => Restart associated Node_Receive timer	STAY IN CURRENT STATE
30	PORT_A_ACTIVE	<b>Node_Receive timer expired</b> => Send Failure_Notify message on port A to associated transmit node Send Path_Check_Request message on port A Set Path_A_Request Start Path_A_Check timer	PORT_A_ACTIVE
31	PORT_B_ACTIVE	<b>Node_Receive timer expired</b> => Send Failure_Notify message on port B to associated transmit node Send Path_Check_Request message on port B Set Path_B_Request Start Path_B_Check timer	PORT_B_ACTIVE
32	PORT_A_ACTIVE	<b>Active_Port_Swap timer expired</b> <b>AND</b> <b>Port_B_Failed is reset</b> => Stop Path_A_Check timer Reset Path_A_Request Send Learning_Update message on port B Start Active_Port_Swap timer	PORT_B_ACTIVE
33	PORT_A_ACTIVE	<b>Active_Port_Swap timer expired</b> <b>AND</b> <b>Port_B_Failed is set</b> => Start Active_Port_Swap timer	PORT_A_ACTIVE
34	PORT_B_ACTIVE	<b>Active_Port_Swap timer expired</b> <b>AND</b> <b>Port_A_Failed is reset</b> => Stop Path_B_Check timer	PORT_A_ACTIVE

State number	Current state	Event /Condition =>Action	Next state
		Reset Path_B_Request Send Learning_Update message on port A Start Active_Port_Swap timer	
35	PORT_B_ACTIVE	<b>Active_Port_Swap timer expired</b> <b>AND</b> <b>Port_A_Failed is set</b> => Start Active_Port_Swap timer	PORT_B_ACTIVE

### 7.5 Beacon end node state diagram

If the end node is configured as a beacon, it periodically generates beacon messages. The Beacon end node state diagram is shown in Figure 6.



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**Figure 6 – BRP state diagram for beacon end node**

When the beacon end node is powered up and passed the initialization process (the Initialization\_Completed flag is set), it resets the protocol state machine and transitions to the IDLE state.

Since Port\_A\_Failed and Port\_B\_Failed flags were initially set, the node immediately transitions from the IDLE to the FAULT state.

If link A is active, then the node transitions from the FAULT state back to the IDLE. The node then generates a beacon message on port A, starts the beacon timer and transitions to the PORT\_A\_ACTIVE state.

The node tests port B simultaneously with port A executing procedure identical to the one described above. If both ports are operational, either one can be selected by default.

When the beacon timer expires, the node transmits the beacon message, restarts the beacon timer and continues staying in the PORT\_A\_ACTIVE state.

If, when in the PORT\_A\_ACTIVE state, link A becomes inactive (Link\_A\_Active is reset), the node sets the Port\_A\_Failed flag, stops the beacon timer and transitions to the IDLE state where it attempts to switch to port B.

Operation of port B is identical to operation of port A.

If a Node\_Receive\_Timer expires, the receiving beacon end node sends a Failure\_Notify message to the associated transmitting end node and sends Path\_Check\_Request message on its active port to designated set of end nodes. When the transmitting end node receives the Failure\_Notify message, it attempts to verify transmission path as described in 7.4.

When a beacon end node receives Failure\_Notify message, it attempts to verify transmission path on its active port by sending Path\_Check\_Request message on this port to designated set of nodes. When the designated set of nodes receives this message, they respond with Path\_Check\_Response message.

When Path\_Check\_Request fails to elicit response (Path\_A\_Check/Path\_B\_Check timer expired), the node sets the Path\_A\_Failed/Path\_B\_Failed flag and Port\_A\_Failed/Port\_B\_Failed flag, and transitions to the IDLE state where it attempts to switch to port B/A.

If both ports failed, then the node transitions from the IDLE to the FAULT state and stays there until one of the ports becomes operational. In FAULT state, a node continuously monitors link status (Link\_A\_Active/Link\_B\_Active flags). If Path\_A\_Failed and/or Path\_B\_Failed flags were set, the node also sends Path\_Check\_Request and monitors arrival of Path\_Check\_Response message for corresponding ports. When one of the ports becomes operational (Port\_A\_Failed/Port\_B\_Failed is reset) the node transitions back to the IDLE state and then to PORT\_A\_ACTIVE/PORT\_B\_ACTIVE as appropriate.

When a node receives a Path\_Check\_Request message in PORT\_A\_ACTIVE or PORT\_B\_ACTIVE states, it responds with the Path\_Check\_Response message and stays in current state.

When in PORT\_A\_ACTIVE/PORT\_B\_ACTIVE state and the Active\_Port\_Swap timer expires, the node transitions to PORT\_B\_ACTIVE/PORT\_A\_ACTIVE state provided PORT\_B\_FAILED/PORT\_A\_FAILED is not set.

The No\_Beacon timer period is a configuration parameter selected for a specific system. The mandatory default value of the beacon period is 450 µs resulting in the default value of the No\_Beacon period of 950 µs. The timeout period is chosen in such a way that at least two beacon messages from each beacon end node have to be lost before fault is declared on a port.

A BRP compliant beacon end node shall be able to broadcast the beacon message every 450 ms via its active port.



The Path\_A\_Check and Path\_B\_Check timer periods are configuration parameters selected for a specific system. The mandatory default value is 2 ms.

The Active\_Port\_Swap timer period is a configuration parameter selected for a specific system. The mandatory default value is 1 h.

Table 3 specifies the flags used in the BRP beacon end node state machine.

**Table 3 – BRP beacon end node flags**

Name	Description	Data Type
Initialization_Completed	Used to indicate initialization completed successfully	BOOLEAN
Link_A_Active	Used to indicate physical layer link status of port A	BOOLEAN
Path_A_Failed	Used to indicate if Path_Check_Response message was received for Path_Check_Request message on port A	BOOLEAN
Link_B_Active	Used to indicate physical layer link status of port B	BOOLEAN
Path_B_Failed	Used to indicate if Path_Check_Response message was received for Path_Check_Request message on port B	BOOLEAN
Path_A_Request	Used to indicate if Path_Check_Request message was sent on port A	BOOLEAN
Path_B_Request	Used to indicate if Path_Check_Request message was sent on port B	BOOLEAN
Port_A_Failed	Used to indicate if port A has failed	BOOLEAN
Port_B_Failed	Used to indicate if port B has failed	BOOLEAN

Table 4 specifies the BRP beacon end node state transition table.

**Table 4 – BRP beacon end node state transition table**

State number	Current state	Event /Condition =>Action	Next state
1	INITIALIZATION	<b>Initialization is completed</b> => Set Initialization_Completed Reset Link_A_Active Reset Path_A_Failed Stop Path_A_Check timer Reset Path_A_Request Reset Link_B_Active Reset Path_B_Failed Stop Path_B_Check timer Reset Path_B_Request Set Port_A_Failed Set Port_B_Failed Stop Node_Receive timers Stop Active_Port_Swap timer	IDLE
2	IDLE, FAULT, PORT_A_ACTIVE, PORT_B_ACTIVE	<b>Port A link pass status</b> => Set Link_A_Active	STAY IN CURRENT STATE
3	IDLE, FAULT, PORT_A_ACTIVE, PORT_B_ACTIVE	<b>Port A link fail status</b> => Reset Link_A_Active	STAY IN CURRENT STATE
4	IDLE, FAULT, PORT_A_ACTIVE, PORT_B_ACTIVE	<b>Port B link pass status</b> => Set Link_B_Active	STAY IN CURRENT STATE
5	IDLE, FAULT, PORT_A_ACTIVE, PORT_B_ACTIVE	<b>Port B link fail status</b> => Reset Link_B_Active	STAY IN CURRENT STATE
6	PORT_A_ACTIVE, PORT_B_ACTIVE	<b>Frame received from transmit node of interest on active port</b> => Restart associated Node_Receive timer	STAY IN CURRENT STATE
7	PORT_A_ACTIVE	<b>Node_Receive timer expired</b> => Send Failure_Notify message on port A to associated transmit node Send Path_Check_Request message on port A Set Path_A_Request Start Path_A_Check timer	PORT_A_ACTIVE
8	PORT_B_ACTIVE	<b>Node_Receive timer expired</b> => Send Failure_Notify message on port B to associated transmit node Send Path_Check_Request message on port B Set Path_B_Request Start Path_B_Check timer	PORT_B_ACTIVE

State number	Current state	Event /Condition =>Action	Next state
9	PORT_A_ACTIVE	<b>Failure_Notify message is received</b> => Send Path_Check_Request message on port A Set Path_A_Request Start Path_A_Check timer	PORT_A_ACTIVE
10	PORT_B_ACTIVE	<b>Failure_Notify message is received</b> => Send Path_Check_Request message on port B Set Path_B_Request Start Path_B_Check timer	PORT_B_ACTIVE
11	PORT_A_ACTIVE, FAULT	<b>Path_A_Check timer expired</b> => Set Path_A_Failed Reset Path_A_Request	STAY IN CURRENT STATE
12	PORT_B_ACTIVE, FAULT	<b>Path_B_Check timer expired</b> => Set Path_B_Failed Reset Path_A_Request	STAY IN CURRENT STATE
13	PORT_A_ACTIVE, FAULT	<b>Path_Check_Response message is received on port A</b> => Stop Path_A_Check timer Reset Path_A_Failed Reset Path_A_Request	STAY IN CURRENT STATE
14	PORT_B_ACTIVE, FAULT	<b>Path_Check_Response message is received on port B</b> => Stop Path_B_Check timer Reset Path_B_Failed Reset Path_B_Request	STAY IN CURRENT STATE
15	IDLE, FAULT, PORT_A_ACTIVE, PORT_B_ACTIVE	<b>Link_A_Active is set AND Path_A_Failed is reset</b> => Reset Port_A_Failed	STAY IN CURRENT STATE
16	IDLE, FAULT, PORT_A_ACTIVE, PORT_B_ACTIVE	<b>Link_A_Active is reset OR Path_A_Failed is set</b> => Set Port_A_Failed	STAY IN CURRENT STATE
17	IDLE	<b>Port_A_Failed is reset</b> => Send Beacon message on port A Start Beacon timer Start Node_Receive timers Start Active_Port_Swap timer	PORT_A_ACTIVE

State number	Current state	Event /Condition =>Action	Next state
18	PORT_A_ACTIVE	<b>Port_A_Failed is set</b> => Stop beacon timer Stop Path_A_Check timer Reset Path_A_Request Stop Node_Receive timers Stop Active_Port_Swap timer	IDLE
19	IDLE, FAULT, PORT_A_ACTIVE, PORT_B_ACTIVE	<b>Link_B_Active is set</b> <b>AND</b> <b>Path_B_Failed is reset</b> => Reset Port_B_Failed	STAY IN CURRENT STATE
20	IDLE, FAULT, PORT_A_ACTIVE, PORT_B_ACTIVE	<b>Link_B_Active is reset</b> <b>OR</b> <b>Path_B_Failed is set</b> => Set Port_B_Failed	STAY IN CURRENT STATE
21	IDLE	<b>Port_B_Failed is reset</b> => Send Beacon message on port B Start Beacon timer Start Node_Receive timers Start Active_Port_Swap timer	PORT_B_ACTIVE
22	PORT_B_ACTIVE	<b>Port_B_Failed is set</b> => Stop beacon timer Stop Path_B_Check timer Reset Path_B_Request Stop Node_Receive timers Stop Active_Port_Swap timer	IDLE
23	IDLE	<b>Port_A_Failed is set</b> <b>AND</b> <b>Port_B_Failed is set</b>	FAULT
24	FAULT	<b>Link_A_Active is set</b> <b>AND</b> <b>Path_A_Failed is set</b> <b>AND</b> <b>Path_A_Request is reset</b> => Set Path_A_Request Send Path_Check_Request message on port A Start Path_A_Check timer	FAULT
25	FAULT	<b>Link_B_Active is set</b> <b>AND</b> <b>Path_B_Failed is set</b> <b>AND</b> <b>Path_B_Request is reset</b> => Set Path_B_Request Send Path_Check_Request message on port B	FAULT

State number	Current state	Event /Condition =>Action	Next state
		Start Path_B_Check timer	
26	FAULT	<b>Port_A_Failed is reset</b> <b>OR</b> <b>Port_B_Failed is reset</b>	IDLE
27	PORT_A_ACTIVE, PORT_B_ACTIVE	<b>Path_Check_Request message received on active port</b>  => Send Path_Check_Response message on active port	STAY IN CURRENT STATE
28	PORT_A_ACTIVE, PORT_B_ACTIVE	<b>Beacon timer expired</b>  => Transmit beacon message on active port Start beacon timer	STAY IN CURRENT STATE
29	PORT_A_ACTIVE	<b>Active_Port_Swap timer expired</b> <b>AND</b> <b>Port_B_Failed is reset</b>  => Stop Path_A_Check timer Reset Path_A_Request Start Active_Port_Swap timer	PORT_B_ACTIVE
30	PORT_A_ACTIVE	<b>Active_Port_Swap timer expired</b> <b>AND</b> <b>Port_B_Failed is set</b>  => Start Active_Port_Swap timer	PORT_A_ACTIVE
31	PORT_B_ACTIVE	<b>Active_Port_Swap timer expired</b> <b>AND</b> <b>Port_A_Failed is reset</b>  => Stop Path_B_Check timer Reset Path_B_Request Start Active_Port_Swap timer	PORT_A_ACTIVE
32	PORT_B_ACTIVE	<b>Active_Port_Swap timer expired</b> <b>AND</b> <b>Port_A_Failed is set</b>  => Start Active_Port_Swap timer	PORT_B_ACTIVE

## 8 BRP message structure

### 8.1 General

The BRP messages contain header, payload and the ISO/IEC 8802-3 (IEEE 802.3) FCS.

In Table 5 to Table 10:

- destination\_MAC\_Address is the multicast address defined in 7.1 for beacon and Learning\_Update messages, while Failure\_Notify, Path\_Check\_Request and Path\_Check\_Response messages use unicast addresses of receivers;
- IEEE 802.1Q tag priority = 7 (highest priority);
- all multi-byte fields shall be encoded in big endian (except the Ethernet addresses).

## 8.2 ISO/IEC 8802-3 (IEEE 802.3) tagged frame header

Table 5 specifies the format for the common header with ISO/IEC 8802-3 (IEEE 802.3) tagged frame.

NOTE The tag frame priority should be preserved when the BRP message is transferred through the LAN.

**Table 5 – BRP common header with ISO/IEC 8802-3 (IEEE 802.3) tagged frame format**

Octet position	Field	Type	Remarks
0	Destination_MAC_Address	UINT8[6]	
6	Source_MAC_Address	UINT8[6]	
12	802.1Q tag type	UINT16	= 0x8100
14	802.1Q tag control	UINT16	= 0xE000 + optional VLAN_ID
16	BRP EtherType	UINT16	= 0x80E1
18	BRP sub-type	UINT8	= 0x01
19	BRP version	UINT8	= 0x01

## 8.3 Beacon message

Table 6 specifies the format for the beacon message.

**Table 6 – BRP beacon message format**

Octet position	Field	Type	Remarks
20	Message type	UINT8	= 0x80
21	Source IP address	UINT32	= 0x0, if source has no IP address
25	Sequence Id	UINT32	
29	Beacon timeout	UINT32	In $\mu$ s
33	Reserved	UINT8[31]	
64	CRC	UINT32	

## 8.4 Learning\_Update message

Table 7 specifies the format for the Learning\_Update message.

**Table 7 – BRP Learning\_Update message format**

Octet position	Field	Type	Remarks
20	Message type	UINT8	= 0x40
21	Source IP address	UINT32	= 0x0, if source has no IP address
25	Sequence Id	UINT32	
29	Reserved	UINT8[35]	
64	CRC	UINT32	

## 8.5 Failure\_Notify message

Table 8 specifies the format for the Failure\_Notify message.

**Table 8 – BRP Failure\_Notify message format**

Octet position	Field	Type	Remarks
20	Message type	UINT8	= 0x20
21	Source IP address	UINT32	= 0x0, if source has no IP address
25	Sequence Id	UINT32	
29	Reserved	UINT8[35]	
64	CRC	UINT32	

## 8.6 Path\_Check\_Request message

Table 9 specifies the format for the Path\_Check\_Request message.

**Table 9 – BRP Path\_Check\_Request message format**

Octet position	Field	Type	Remarks
20	Message type	UINT8	= 0x10
21	Source IP address	UINT32	= 0x0, if source has no IP address
25	Sequence Id	UINT32	
29	Source port	UINT8	= 0x1 or 0x2
30	Reserved	UINT8[34]	
64	CRC	UINT32	

## 8.7 Path\_Check\_Response message

Table 10 specifies the format for the Path\_Check\_Response message.

**Table 10 – BRP Path\_Check\_Response message format**

Byte	Field	Type	Remarks
20	Message type	UINT8	= 0x08
21	Source IP address	UINT32	= 0x0, if source has no IP address
25	Sequence Id	UINT32	= Sequence Id of Path_Check_Request message
29	Source port	UINT8	= Source Port of Path_Check_Request message
30	Reserved	UINT8[34]	
64	CRC	UINT32	

## 9 BRP fault recovery time

The following types of faults may occur in an BRP based network.

- Leaf link faults. These faults are detectable in the end node physical layer. The fault recovery time shall be less than 10  $\mu$ s.
- Faults occurred in the direction of flow of beacon messages plus those occurred in the opposite direction to the flow of beacon messages but are detectable in the node/switch

physical layer. The fault recovery time in this case is two beacon timeouts which is less than 1 ms.

- Faults occurred in the opposite direction to the flow of beacon messages but are not detectable in the node/switch physical layer. Since the fault recovery time in this case is longer than in the two cases described above, it is considered the worst case.

NOTE Faults in the inactive paths transmitting towards the beacon have no effect on operational performance until the next network switchover. At switchover, they are detected using the above methods with the given worst case recovery time.

The worst case fault recovery time is:

$$t_{fr} = t_{nr} + t_{id} + t_{pcr},$$

where:

- $t_{fr}$  is the fault recovery time;
- $t_{nr}$  is the Node\_Receive timer time out;
- $t_{id}$  is the infrastructure propagation delay of the Failure\_Notify message;
- $t_{pcr}$  is the path check request timer time out.

#### EXAMPLE

Consider a network of 500 nodes with 3 layers of 8-port switches, similar to the one shown in Figure 1.

Assuming that all links have a data rate of 100 Mbit/s and a data frame size of 1 522 octets, the data frame transmit time plus inter-frame gap time is about 124  $\mu$ s.

The Failure\_Notify message size is 68 octets, its transmit time plus inter-frame gap time is about 8  $\mu$ s.

Assuming the worst case message queuing in the switch, the Failure\_Notify message delay in each switch is:

$$124 \mu\text{s} + 8 \mu\text{s} = 132 \mu\text{s}.$$

The total delay of the Failure\_Notify message travelling through the longest path of the network infrastructure is:

$$t_{id} = 8 \mu\text{s} + (132 \times 6) \mu\text{s} + 8 \mu\text{s} = 808 \mu\text{s} = 0,81 \text{ ms}.$$

Assuming that Node\_Receive timer time out  $t_{nr} = 2 \text{ ms}$ , and Path\_Check\_A\_Request timer time out  $t_{pcr} = 2 \text{ ms}$ , and also assuming that Path\_Check\_B\_Request timer is set to the same time as the Path\_Check\_A\_Request timer:

$$t_{fr} = 2 \text{ ms} + 0,81 \text{ ms} + 2 \text{ ms} = 4,81 \text{ ms}.$$

## 10 BRP service definition

### 10.1 Supported services

The BRP services provide ability to set end node parameters and read these parameters and node status. The following services are provided:

- Set\_Node\_Parameters;
- Get\_Node\_Parameters;
- Add\_Node\_Receive\_Parameters;
- Remove\_Node\_Receive\_Parameters;
- Get\_Node\_Status.



## 10.2 Common service parameters

The following service parameters are common to several BRP services.

**Node\_Name**

This parameter contains end node name.

(String32)

**Source\_MAC\_Address**

This parameter is the MAC address of the node from which the service request has been sent.

(String16)

**Destination\_MAC\_Address**

This parameter is the MAC address of the node to which the service request has been sent.

(String16)

**Node\_Type**

This parameter contains description of the end node type (DANB or Beacon).

(String32)

**VLAN\_ID**

This parameter contains the VLAN identifier.

(String32)

**Status**

This parameter contains description of the positive response to a service request

(String128)

**Error\_Info**

This parameter contains description of the negative response to a service request

(String128)

## 10.3 Set\_Node\_Parameters service

Table 11 shows the parameters of the Set\_Node\_Parameters service.

**Table 11 – BRP Set\_Node\_Parameters service parameters**

Parameter name	Req	Ind	Rsp	Cnf
Argument	M	M(=)		
Node_Name	M	M(=)		
Source_MAC_Address	M	M(=)		
Destination_MAC_Address	M	M(=)		
Node_Type	M	M(=)		
Beacon_Timer_Reload_Value	C	C(=)		
No_Beacon_Timer_Reload_Value	C	C(=)		
Path_A_Check timer reload value	M	M(=)		
Path_B_Check timer reload value	M	M(=)		
Active_Port_Swap timer reload value	M	M(=)		
Number_Of_Designated_Nodes	C	C(=)		
Designated_Node_List	C	C(=)		
VLAN_ID	C	C(=)		
Result (+)			S	S(=)
Node_Name			M	M(=)
Source_MAC_Address			M	M(=)
Destination_MAC_Address			M	M(=)
Status			M	M(=)
Result (-)			S	S(=)
Node_Name			M	M(=)
Source_MAC_Address			M	M(=)
Destination_MAC_Address			M	M(=)
Error_Info			M	M(=)
NOTE For the meaning of Req, Ind, Rsp, Cnf, M, U and S, refer to ISO/IEC 10164-1.				

### Argument

The argument conveys the parameters of the service request.

#### **Beacon\_Timer\_Reload\_Value**

This parameter contains the value of the beacon timer in microseconds.

(Unsigned 32)

#### **No\_Beacon\_Timer\_Reload\_Value**

This parameter contains the value of the No\_Beacon timer in microseconds.

(Unsigned 32)

#### **Path\_A\_Check timer reload value**

This parameter contains the value of the Path\_A\_Check timer in microseconds.

(Unsigned 32)

#### **Path\_B\_Check timer reload value**

This parameter contains the value of the Path\_B\_Check timer in microseconds.

(Unsigned 32)

#### **Active\_Port\_Swap timer reload value**

This parameter contains the value of the Active\_Port\_Swap timer in seconds.

(Unsigned 32)

**Number\_Of\_Designated\_Nodes**

This parameter contains the number of nodes in designated node list.

(Unsigned 16)

**Designated\_Node\_List**

This parameter contains the list of MAC addresses of designated nodes. It is applicable to beacon end nodes.

(Array of OctetString16)

**Result (+)**

This parameter indicates that the service request succeeded. The following fields are included in the response:

**Node\_Name**

**Source\_MAC\_Address**

**Destination\_MAC\_Address**

**Status**

**Result (-)**

This parameter indicates that the service request failed and specifies error conditions, when applicable. The following fields are included in the response:

**Node\_Name**

**Source\_MAC\_Address**

**Destination\_MAC\_Address**

**Error\_Info**

#### 10.4 Get\_Node\_Parameters service

Table 12 shows the parameters of the Get\_Node\_Parameters service.

**Table 12 – BRP Get\_Node\_Parameters service parameters**

Parameter name	Req	Ind	Rsp	Cnf
Argument	M	M(=)		
Node_Name	M	M(=)		
Source_MAC_Address	M	M(=)		
Destination_MAC_Address	M	M(=)		
Result (+)			S	S(=)
Node_Name			M	M(=)
Manufacturer	M	M(=)		
Version	M	M(=)		
Destination_MAC_Address			M	M(=)
Node_Type			M	M(=)
Beacon_Timer_Reload_Value			C	C(=)
No_Beacon_Timer_Reload_Value			C	C(=)
Path_A_Check timer reload value			M	M(=)
Path_B_Check timer reload value			M	M(=)
Active_Port_Swap timer reload value			M	M(=)
Number_Of_Designated_Nodes			C	C(=)
Designated_Node_List			C	C(=)
VLAN_ID			C	C(=)
Result (-)			S	S(=)
Node_Name			M	M(=)
Source_MAC_Address			M	M(=)
Destination_MAC_Address			M	M(=)
Error_Info			M	M(=)
NOTE For the meaning of Req, Ind, Rsp, Cnf, M, U and S, refer to ISO/IEC 10164-1.				

### Argument

The argument conveys the parameters of the service request. There are no specific parameters for this service.

### Result (+)

This parameter indicates that the service request succeeded. The following fields are included in the response:

#### Manufacturer

This parameter contains the name of the manufacturer  
(VisibleString255)

#### Version

This parameter contains the version of the BRP. Future versions of the BRP shall be downward compatible with the version specified in this clause. A BRP end node shall accept packets from end nodes supporting BRP versions lower than the one it supports. A BRP end node shall drop unknown packets and shall ignore extended payload contents in known packets from end nodes supporting BRP versions higher than the one it supports.  
(Unsigned32)

**Beacon\_Timer\_Reload\_Value**

This parameter contains the value of the Beacon timer in microseconds.  
(Unsigned 32)

**No\_Beacon\_Timer\_Reload\_Value**

This parameter contains the value of the No\_Beacon timer in microseconds.  
(Unsigned 32)

**Path\_A\_Check timer reload value**

This parameter contains the value of the Path\_A\_Check timer in microseconds.  
(Unsigned 32)

**Path\_B\_Check timer reload value**

This parameter contains the value of the Path\_B\_Check timer in microseconds.  
(Unsigned 32)

**Active\_Port\_Swap timer reload value**

This parameter contains the value of the Active\_Port\_Swap timer in seconds.  
(Unsigned 32)

**Number\_Of\_Designated\_Nodes**

This parameter contains the number of nodes in designated node list.  
(Unsigned 16)

**Designated\_Node\_List**

This parameter contains the list of MAC addresses of designated nodes. It is applicable to Beacon end nodes.  
(Array of OctetString16)

**Result (-)**

This parameter indicates that the service request failed and specifies error conditions, when applicable. The following fields are included in the response:

**Node\_Name****Source\_MAC\_Address****Destination\_MAC\_Address****Error\_Info****10.5 Add\_Node\_Receive\_Parameters service**

Table 13 shows the parameters of the Add\_Node\_Receive\_Parameters service.

**Table 13 – BRP Add\_Node\_Receive\_Parameters service parameters**

Parameter name	Req	Ind	Rsp	Cnf
Argument	M	M(=)		
Node_Name	M	M(=)		
Source_MAC_Address	M	M(=)		
Destination_MAC_Address	M	M(=)		
Transmit_Node_MAC_Address	M	M(=)		
Node_Receive_Timeout	M	M(=)		
Result (+)			S	S(=)
Node_Name			M	M(=)
Source_MAC_Address			M	M(=)
Destination_MAC_Address			M	M(=)
Status			M	M(=)
Result (-)			S	S(=)
Node_Name			M	M(=)
Source_MAC_Address			M	M(=)
Destination_MAC_Address			M	M(=)
Error_Info			M	M(=)
NOTE For the meaning of Req, Ind, Rsp, Cnf, M, U and S, refer to ISO/IEC 10164-1.				

### Argument

The argument conveys the parameters of the service request.

#### Transmit\_Node\_MAC\_Address

This parameter contains MAC address of transmit node of interest.

(VisibleString16)

#### Node\_Receive\_Timeout

This parameter contains associated node receive timeout in microseconds.

(Unsigned 32)

### Result (+)

This parameter indicates that the service request succeeded. The following fields are included in the response:

**Node\_Name**

**Source\_MAC\_Address**

**Destination\_MAC\_Address**

**Status**

### Result (-)

This parameter indicates that the service request failed and specifies error conditions, when applicable. The following fields are included in the response:

**Node\_Name**  
**Source\_MAC\_Address**  
**Destination\_MAC\_Address**  
**Error\_Info**

## 10.6 Remove\_Node\_Receive\_Parameters service

Table 14 shows the parameters of the Remove\_Node\_Receive\_Parameters service.

**Table 14 – BRP Remove\_Node\_Receive\_Parameters service parameters**

Parameter name	Req	Ind	Rsp	Cnf
Argument	<b>M</b>	<b>M(=)</b>		
Node_Name	<b>M</b>	<b>M(=)</b>		
Source_MAC_Address	<b>M</b>	<b>M(=)</b>		
Destination_MAC_Address	<b>M</b>	<b>M(=)</b>		
Transmit_Node_MAC_Address	<b>M</b>	<b>M(=)</b>		
Result (+)			<b>S</b>	<b>S(=)</b>
Node_Name			<b>M</b>	<b>M(=)</b>
Source_MAC_Address			<b>M</b>	<b>M(=)</b>
Destination_MAC_Address			<b>M</b>	<b>M(=)</b>
Status			<b>M</b>	<b>M(=)</b>
Result (-)			<b>S</b>	<b>S(=)</b>
Node_Name			<b>M</b>	<b>M(=)</b>
Source_MAC_Address			<b>M</b>	<b>M(=)</b>
Destination_MAC_Address			<b>M</b>	<b>M(=)</b>
Error_Info			<b>M</b>	<b>M(=)</b>
NOTE For the meaning of Req, Ind, Rsp, Cnf, M, U and S, refer to ISO/IEC 10164-1.				

### Argument

The argument conveys the parameters of the service request.

### Transmit\_Node\_MAC\_Address

This parameter contains MAC address of transmit node to be removed from Node\_Receive timers.

(VisibleString16)

### Result (+)

This parameter indicates that the service request succeeded. The following fields are included in the response:

**Node\_Name**  
**Source\_MAC\_Address**  
**Destination\_MAC\_Address**  
**Status**

### Result (-)

This parameter indicates that the service request failed and specifies error conditions, when applicable. The following fields are included in the response:

**Node\_Name**  
**Source\_MAC\_Address**  
**Destination\_MAC\_Address**  
**Error\_Info**

## 10.7 Get\_Node\_Status service

Table 15 shows the parameters of the Get\_Node\_Status service.

**Table 15 – BRP Get\_Node\_Status service parameters**

Parameter name	Req	Ind	Rsp	Cnf
Argument	<b>M</b>	<b>M(=)</b>		
Node_Name	<b>M</b>	<b>M(=)</b>		
Source_MAC_Address	<b>M</b>	<b>M(=)</b>		
Destination_MAC_Address	<b>M</b>	<b>M(=)</b>		
Result (+)			<b>S</b>	<b>S(=)</b>
Node_Name			<b>M</b>	<b>M(=)</b>
Source_MAC_Address			<b>M</b>	<b>M(=)</b>
Destination_MAC_Address			<b>M</b>	<b>M(=)</b>
Node_Type			<b>M</b>	<b>M(=)</b>
Node_Status			<b>M</b>	<b>M(=)</b>
Port_A_Status			<b>M</b>	<b>M(=)</b>
Port_B_Status			<b>M</b>	<b>M(=)</b>
Result (-)			<b>S</b>	<b>S(=)</b>
Node_Name			<b>M</b>	<b>M(=)</b>
Source_MAC_Address			<b>M</b>	<b>M(=)</b>
Destination_MAC_Address			<b>M</b>	<b>M(=)</b>
Error_Info			<b>M</b>	<b>M(=)</b>
NOTE For the meaning of Req, Ind, Rsp, Cnf, M, U and S, refer to ISO/IEC 10164-1.				

### Argument

The argument conveys the parameters of the service request. There are no specific parameters for this service.

### Result (+)

This parameter indicates that the service request succeeded. The following fields are included in the response:

#### Node\_Status

This parameter contains the value representing node status.

(OctetString16)

#### Port\_A\_Status

This parameter contains the value representing port A status.

(OctetString16)

#### Port\_B\_Status

This parameter contains the value representing port B status.

(OctetString16)



**Result (-)**

This parameter indicates that the service request failed and specifies error conditions, when applicable. The following fields are included in the response:

**Node\_Name**  
**Source\_MAC\_Address**  
**Destination\_MAC\_Address**  
**Error\_Info**

**11 BRP Management Information Base (MIB)**

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-- *****
IEC-62439-5-MIB DEFINITIONS ::= BEGIN

-- *****
-- Imports
-- *****

IMPORTS

    OBJECT-TYPE, Counter32,
    TimeTicks, Integer32    FROM SNMPv2-SMI
    Boolean                 FROM HOST-RESOURCES-MIB
    MacAddress              FROM BRIDGE-MIB
    iso                     FROM RFC1155-SMI;

-- *****
-- Root OID
-- *****

iec    OBJECT IDENTIFIER ::= { iso 0 }

iec62439 MODULE-IDENTITY
    LAST-UPDATED "200811080000Z" -- November 8, 2008
    ORGANIZATION "IEC/SC 65C"
    CONTACT-INFO ""

    DESCRIPTION "This MIB module defines the Network Management interfaces
        for the Beacon Redundancy Protocol defined by the IEC
        standard 62439-5."

    REVISION "200711080000Z" -- November 8, 2007
    DESCRIPTION "Initial version of the Network Management interface for the
        Beacon Redundancy Protocol"

    REVISION "200811100000Z" -- November 10, 2008
    DESCRIPTION "
        Separation of IEC 62439 into a suite of documents
        This MIB applies to IEC 62439-5, no change in functionality
        "

    ::= { IEC 62439-5}

-- *****
-- Redundancy Protocols
-- *****

mrp    OBJECT IDENTIFIER ::= { iec62439 1 }
prp    OBJECT IDENTIFIER ::= { iec62439 2 }
crp    OBJECT IDENTIFIER ::= { iec62439 3 }
brp    OBJECT IDENTIFIER ::= { iec62439 4 }
drp    OBJECT IDENTIFIER ::= { iec62439 5 }

-- *****
-- Objects of the BRP Network Management
-- *****

NodeName OBJECT-TYPE
    SYNTAX OCTET STRING (SIZE(1..32))
    MAX-ACCESS read-only
    STATUS      mandatory
```

```
DESCRIPTION
    "specifies the unique node name"
 ::= { brp 1 }

Manufacturer OBJECT-TYPE
    SYNTAX OCTET STRING (SIZE(1..255))
    MAX-ACCESS read-only
    STATUS      mandatory
    DESCRIPTION
        "specifies the name of the manufacturer"
 ::= { brp 2 }

Version OBJECT-TYPE
    SYNTAX OCTET STRING (SIZE(1..32))
    MAX-ACCESS read-only
    STATUS      mandatory
    DESCRIPTION
        "specifies the version of BRP"
 ::= { brp 3 }

MACAddress OBJECT-TYPE
    SYNTAX MACAddress
    MAX-ACCESS read-only
    STATUS      mandatory
    DESCRIPTION
        "specifies node MAC address"
 ::= { brp 4 }

NodeType OBJECT-TYPE
    SYNTAX OCTET STRING (SIZE(1..32))
    MAX-ACCESS read-write
    STATUS      mandatory
    DESCRIPTION
        "specifies the node type"
 ::= { brp 5 }

NodeStatus OBJECT-TYPE
    SYNTAX OCTET STRING (SIZE(1..32))
    MAX-ACCESS read-only
    STATUS      mandatory
    DESCRIPTION
        "specifies the node status"
 ::= { brp 6 }

PortAStatus OBJECT-TYPE
    SYNTAX OCTET STRING (SIZE(1..32))
    MAX-ACCESS read-only
    STATUS      mandatory
    DESCRIPTION
        "specifies port A status"
 ::= { brp 7 }

PortBStatus OBJECT-TYPE
    SYNTAX OCTET STRING (SIZE(1..32))
    MAX-ACCESS read-only
    STATUS      mandatory
    DESCRIPTION
        "specifies port B status"
 ::= { brp 8 }

VLANID OBJECT-TYPE
    SYNTAX OCTET STRING (SIZE(1..32))
    MAX-ACCESS read-only
    STATUS      mandatory
    DESCRIPTION
        "specifies VLAN ID"
 ::= { brp 9 }

END
```

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