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Title: Establishment of the oneM2M Budget and Funding Model

**Introduction**

In order to assess membership, participation, and the contribution of resources to oneM2M, companies and organizations need to know the costs and the corresponding budget associated with oneM2M. ATIS maintains that this information is both critical and essential to taking the next steps with oneM2M. It is necessary prior to the formal launch of this activity and in a time frame that supports the ability of organizations to support a budget planning cycle and obtain approval.

ATIS has received comments from its membership, as well as interested verticals, that there is not a clear understanding of the overall budget and individual obligations of companies, including fees, for oneM2M to launch. It is imperative that all companies, organizations, and associations clearly understand all of the obligations when committing to participate in and contribute to oneM2M. As the vertical markets, their representative organizations, and the companies that comprise the markets may be “new” to these kinds of global standardization constructs, this information is essential prior to launching oneM2M.

**Proposed Budget Timeline**

The oneM2M budget must be established and approved prior to signing the oneM2M agreements. In order to support each organization’s consideration of and planning for the budget the 2013 budget must be developed and approved no later than the end of 2Q2012. We understand as a practical matter, that there may be some provisioning of voluntary resources through 2012 to support the launch of oneM2M. However, any budget planning that extends beyond 2Q2012 could delay having the requisite funding in place to support oneM2M through 2013.

**Proposed Funding Model and Timeline**

The oneM2M funding model must be established and approved prior to signing the oneM2M agreements. Companies and organizations need to have an understanding of how the oneM2M budget will be shared amongst the participants and should have a stake in defining the funding of oneM2M. In examining the currently proposed participation structure (Partner Types 1 and 2, Members, and Associate Members) and rules, the following funding model is proposed:

* Type 1 Partners would equally share a percentage of the operating budget (10%).
* Type 2 Partners would pay the same fee as a Type 1 Partner.
* Associate Members would equally pay a flat fee ($20K).
* Members would equally share the remaining balance.
* All fees would be collected directly from the Partners and Members by the Secretariat.

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**Example (figure/formula is editable):**

While ATIS understands that there has been no agreement pertaining to the specifics of the operating budget to date, the following is provided as an example of the implementation of the proposed funding model. For purposes of this contribution, a 2013 operating budget of $1M has been assumed. Actual costs will be dependent upon the final approved 2013 budget.

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