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Summary

Amendment 2 to ITU-T Recommendation I.610 (1999) defines some previously unused areas in the ATM OA&M loopback (LB) cell format to allow the cell to be used for conducting round trip delay (RTD) measurements. In particular, this amendment defines the usage of a timestamp in association with a service verification indication.

Source

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1) Clause 10.2.3

Add the following additional major bullets following the Source ID field... bullet point:

- *Timestamp field (4 octets)*: The use of this field is optional and when used contains an originating timestamp for the purpose of measuring round trip delay. This timestamp, which will be in milliseconds with a value assumed to be of local significance only, should be present only when the service verification flag is 1 and otherwise should be set to '6A'H.
- *Flags field (1 octet)*: The use of this field is optional and when used contains the following two flag bits with the remaining bits always set to 110101 in transmission and ignored in reception, and otherwise should be set to '6A'H:
 - *Service verification indication field (1 bit)*: This field is set to 1 for LB cells being used to conduct round trip delay measurements, and is otherwise set to 0. Note, specific procedures for using LB cells to perform round trip delay measurements are outside of the scope of this Recommendation.
 - *Hello indication field (1 bit)*: This field is set to 1 for LB cells being used for CP discovery, especially in conjunction with round trip delay measurements, and is otherwise set to 0.

2) Figure 14

Replace Figure 14 with the following:





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