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Responsibility for maintenance of earlier releases of 2G GSM versions of specifications transferred to 3GPP is now with the TSGs. As agreed in TD SP-99267, the support team will advise SMG of all CRs to these specifications prior to TSG#5 (where possible as some WGs are still meeting the week before a TSG meeting). SMG was advised via e-mail and an SMG WWW page listing CRs for approval at TSG#5.

Also as agreed in TD SP-99267, the support team will advise SMG after this meeting of all TSG approved CRs impacting the GSM specifications.

Following the CR approval the GSM specifications under TSG responsibility will be updated accordingly, producing new versions.

These TSG approved versions of the specifications will be identified as such by the document change history.

The CR database will indicate which CRs have originated from 3GPP WGs.

ETSI Publications of the GSM specifications will not be updated at this time as revision of ETSI publications of the GSM specifications still require ETSI SMG approval.

Formal approval of the new versions by ETSI SMG will be therefore be sought. The approval methodology has yet to be agreed by SMG, but it is hoped that the approval of the new versions can be obtained via e-mail and via the download availability of the TSG CRs and new versions from a SMG WWW page listing.

Once approved by SMG the ETSI SMG GSM specifications will be identified by the CR database as SMG approved and document change history updated. The new versions of the GSM specifications will then be made publicly available by ETSI.

**Should ETSI SMG not approve a new version of a specification, the support team will advise the appropriate TSG immediately.**