**3GPP TSG-WG4 Meeting #112 *R4-2412606***

**Maastricht, Netherlands, 19th – 23rd August, 2024**

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| **CHANGE REQUEST** | | | | | | | | |
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|  | **38.101-3** | **CR** | **1292** | **rev** | **-** | **Current version:** | **18.6.0** |  |
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| *For* [***HE******LP***](http://www.3gpp.org/3G_Specs/CRs.htm#_blank)*on using this form: comprehensive instructions can be found at* [*http://www.3gpp.org/Change-Requests*](http://www.3gpp.org/Change-Requests)*.* | | | | | | | | |
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| ***Proposed change affects:*** | UICC apps |  | ME | **X** | Radio Access Network |  | Core Network |  |

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| ***Title:*** | (TEI18) R18 Cat-F CR 38.101-3 channel spacing for intra-band EN-DC | | | | | | | | | |
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| ***Source to WG:*** | Huawei, HiSilicon | | | | | | | | | |
| ***Source to TSG:*** | R4 | | | | | | | | | |
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| ***Work item code:*** | IntraBandENDC\_Channelspacing | | | | |  | ***Date:*** | | | 2024-08-09 |
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| ***Category:*** | **B** |  | | | | | ***Release:*** | | | Rel-18 |
|  | *Use one of the following categories:* ***F*** *(correction)* ***A*** *(mirror corresponding to a change in an earlier release)* ***B*** *(addition of feature),* ***C*** *(functional modification of feature)* ***D*** *(editorial modification)*  Detailed explanations of the above categories can be found in 3GPP [TR 21.900](http://www.3gpp.org/ftp/Specs/html-info/21900.htm). | | | | | | | | *Use one of the following releases: Rel-8 (Release 8) Rel-9 (Release 9) Rel-10 (Release 10) Rel-11 (Release 11) … Rel-16 (Release 16) Rel-17 (Release 17) Rel-18 (Release 18) Rel-19 (Release 19)* | |
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| ***Reason for change:*** | | In RAN4#111, LS on intra-band EN-DC channel spacing was approved to ask RAN2 to introduce the capability supporting intra-band non-contiguous EN-DC with nominal channel spacing. In current RAN4 specification, there is no applicable requirement for intra-band non-contiguous EN-DC with nominal channel spacing. | | | | | | | | |
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| ***Summary of change:*** | | Define applicable requirements for intra-band non-contiguous EN-DC with nominal channel spacing. | | | | | | | | |
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| ***Consequences if not approved:*** | | It is not possible to apply intra-band non-contiguous EN-DC with nominal channel spacing. | | | | | | | | |
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| ***Clauses affected:*** | | 5.4B.1 | | | | | | | | |
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| ***Other specs*** | |  |  | Other core specifications | | | | TS/TR ... CR ... | | |
| ***affected:*** | | **X** |  | Test specifications | | | | TS 38.521-3 | | |
| ***(show related CRs)*** | |  |  | O&M Specifications | | | | TS/TR ... CR ... | | |
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| ***Other comments:*** | |  | | | | | | | | |
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| ***This CR's revision history:*** | |  | | | | | | | | |

## **<Start of Change>**

### 5.4B.1 Channel spacing for intra-band EN-DC carriers

The spacing between carriers will depend on the deployment scenario, the size of the frequency block available and the channel bandwidths. The nominal channel spacing between and E-UTRA carrier and an adjacent NR carrier for intra-band contiguous EN-DC is defined as following:

- For NR operating bands with 100 kHz channel raster,

Nominal Channel spacing = (BWE-UTRA\_Channel + BWNR\_Channel)/2

- For NR operating bands with 15 kHz channel raster,

- Nominal Channel spacing = (BWE-UTRA\_Channel + BWNR\_Channel)/2+{-5kHz, 0kHz, 5kHz} for ∆FRaster equals to 15 kHz

- Nominal Channel spacing = (BWE-UTRA\_Channel + BWNR\_Channel)/2+{-10 kHz, 0 kHz, 10 kHz} for ∆FRaster equals to 30 kHz

where BWE-UTRA\_Channel and BWNR\_Channel are the channel bandwidths of the E-UTRA and NR carriers, ∆FRaster is the band dependent channel raster granularity defined in TS38.101-1[2]. The channel spacing can be adjusted depending on the channel raster to optimize performance in a particular deployment scenario.

For intra-band non-contiguous EN-DC the channel spacing between E-UTRA and NR carriers shall be larger than the nominal channel spacing defined in this clause.

UE indicating [*intraBandENDC*-*NominalSpacing*] for a non-contiguous intra-band EN-DC configuration shall meet requirements for intra-band non-contiguous EN-DC with equal to or greater than nominal channel spacing

## **<End of Change>**