**3GPP TSG-RAN** **WG2 Meeting #111-e R2-200xxxx**

**Electronic, 17th – 28th August 2020**

**Agenda Item: 5.4.1.5**

**Source: Huawei, HiSilicon**

**Title: Summary of offline 008 – NR UAI**

**Document for: Discussion and decision**

# Introduction

This document summarizes the following offline discussion.

UE assistance information

* [AT111-e][008][NR15] NR UAI (Huawei)

Scope: Treat [R2-2007792](file:///D:\Documents\3GPP\tsg_ran\WG2\TSGR2_111-e\Docs\R2-2007792.zip), [R2-2007793](file:///D:\Documents\3GPP\tsg_ran\WG2\TSGR2_111-e\Docs\R2-2007793.zip), [R2-2007794](file:///D:\Documents\3GPP\tsg_ran\WG2\TSGR2_111-e\Docs\R2-2007794.zip), [R2-2007795](file:///D:\Documents\3GPP\tsg_ran\WG2\TSGR2_111-e\Docs\R2-2007795.zip), [R2-2006986](file:///D:\Documents\3GPP\tsg_ran\WG2\TSGR2_111-e\Docs\R2-2006986.zip), [R2-2006987](file:///D:\Documents\3GPP\tsg_ran\WG2\TSGR2_111-e\Docs\R2-2006987.zip), [R2-2006997](file:///D:\Documents\3GPP\tsg_ran\WG2\TSGR2_111-e\Docs\R2-2006997.zip), [R2-2006998](file:///D:\Documents\3GPP\tsg_ran\WG2\TSGR2_111-e\Docs\R2-2006998.zip) (proponents to drive)

Part 1: Decision whether to make corrections, identify agreeable parts. Identify Controversial issues for on-line treatment (if any).

Deadline: Aug 20, 0900 UTC.

Part 2: For agreeable parts, continuation to agree CRs.

Deadline: Aug 26, 0900 UTC.

To be noted, the paper R2-2006997 and R2-2006998 are also included in offline discussion [AT111-e][042][NR15], and I understand these two papers are more suitable to be discussed in offline-042. Thus, these two papers are not included in this email discussion.

# Discussion

## Condition of stopping overheating prohibit timer (R2-2007792/R2-2007793)

The CR [1][2] proposes to that on condition of receiving *overheatingAssistanceConfig* set to release, the overheating prohibit timer T345 should be stopped.

In current specification, the overheating prohibit timer T345 is stopped upon initiating the connection re-establishment and resume procedures. However, if the *overheatingAssistanceConfig* is set to release, the overheating prohibit timer is not valid anymore, thus it should be stopped in the UE side.

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| T345 | Upon transmitting *UEAssistanceInformation* message with *overheatingAssistance* | Upon initiating the connection re-establishment procedure, upon initiating the connection resumption procedure, and upon receiving *overheatingAssistanceConfig* set to *release.* | No action. |

**Q1. Do companies agree the intention and proposed changes of this CR?**

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| **Company** | **Agree / Disagree** | **Comments** |
| MediaTek | Agree | Looks like a straightforward correction. Could be in Rapporteur’s CR. |
| Qcom | Agree |  |
| CATT | Agree |  |
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## UE assistance information transmission upon reconfiguration with sync (R2-2007794/R2-2007795, R2-2006986/R2-2006987)

The CRs [3][4] and [5][6] propose to clarify the UE assistance information transmission upon reconfiguration with sync. The proposed changes in these CRs are summarised as below:

Issue 1: In clause 5.3.5.3, after UE performs reconfiguration with sync, UE initiate transmission of a *UEAssistanceInformation* message in accordance with clause 5.7.4.3. However, in clause 5.7.4.3, UE sets the corresponding contents only if there is an initiation according to 5.7.4.2, without including 5.3.5.3. This may lead to inaccuracy UE assistance information. (Discussed in CRs [3][4] and [5][6])

Issue 2: After UE performs reconfiguration with sync, the UE is not restricted to send the UE assistance information with same value. However, if the UE initiates the transmission of UE assistance information message, the corresponding prohibit timer should be started or restarted which is aligned with clause 5.7.4.2. (Discussed in CRs [3][4] and [5][6])

Issue 3: After UE performs reconfiguration with sync, UE can trigger transmission of a *UEAssistanceInformation* message that was transmitted during the last 1 second before handover. Based on the current description in the specification, the following erroneous case may happen:

* UE transmits *UEAssistanceInformation* message with delay budget report during the last 1 second before handover, which satisfies condition of “if the UE transmitted a *UEAssistanceInformation* message during the last 1 second”
* UE is configured to be able to transmit overheating assistance in the target gNB, which satisfies condition of “and the UE is still configured to provide UE assistance information”
* UE can initiate the transmission of a *UEAssistanceInformation* with clause 5.7.4.3, UE transmit overheating assistance information to the target gNB but it is not transmitted to the source gNB and UE may even not have any preference for overheating.

To avoid the erroneous case above, UE can only transmit the UEAssistanceInformation with the type (i.e. delay budget report, overheating) that was transmitted during the last 1 second before handover and still configured to be able to transmit in the target gNB. (Discussed in CRs [3][4])

**Q2. Do companies agree the identified issue 1, 2 and 3 above?**

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| **Company** | **Agree / Disagree** | **Comments** |
| MediaTek | Agree |  |
| Qcom | Disagree | **For issue#1:**  Based on the CR reason for change is that “the UE sets the corresponding contents if there is an initiation according to 5.7.4.2. But there is no initiation according to 5.7.4.2 as the prohibit timer is running”.  This issue can be addressed by simply stopping the T345 prohibit timer once UE determines that assistance information was transmitted 1 sec or less before ReconfigurationWithSync was triggered.  Suggested change:  *Section 5.3.5.3*  *###skipped##*  *2> if reconfigurationWithSync was included in masterCellGroup or secondaryCellGroup; and*  *2> if the UE transmitted a UEAssistanceInformation message for the corresponding cell group during the last 1 second, and the UE is still configured to provide UE assistance information for the corresponding cell group:*  *3> stop T345;*  *3> initiate transmission of a UEAssistanceInformation message for the corresponding cell group in accordance with clause 5.7.4.3;*  **For issue#2**:  This is not an issue any more once our suggested change proposed in issue#1 is used.  **For issue#3**:  We’re not sure why these cases were classified as “erroneous case”??? and we don’t see the need to restrict the UE to transmit assistance info type that was only transmitted on the source cell. If there is **a need** (given UE is configured to do so) to transmit other info type on the target cell, even if not transmitted on source cell, this info will put into good use by the target cell.  Therefore we don’t see the issue here. |
| CATT | Agree with issue 1 and 2. | Agree with the intention of issue 3.  But it is not accurate to say that UE can only transmit the *UEAssistanceInformation* with the type (i.e. delay budget report, overheating) that was transmitted during the last 1 second before handover and still configured to be able to transmit in the target gNB. For example:   * UE transmits *UEAssistanceInformation* message with overheating assistance during the last 1 second before handover, which satisfies condition of “if the UE transmitted a *UEAssistanceInformation* message during the last 1 second” * UE is configured to provide delay budget report in the handover message. * UE initiates the transmission of a *UEAssistanceInformation* according to 5.7.4.2, which satisfies condition of “the UE did not transmit a *UEAssistanceInformation* message with *delayBudgetReport* since it was configured to provide delay budget report”, no matter whether the UE initiates the transmission of *UEAssistanceInformation* with the type that was transmitted during the last 1 second before handover and still configured to be able to transmit in the target gNB.   So issue 3 can be changed to:  UE initiate the transmission of *UEAssistanceInformation* if the type (i.e. delay budget report, overheating) that was transmitted during the last 1 second before handover are still configured to be able to transmit in the target gNB. |
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**Q3. If the identified issues above are valid, do companies agree the proposed changes in CRs [3][4](Huawei) or [5][6] (CATT)?**

For Issue 1&2, both Huawei CRs and CATT CRs give the possible changes, companies are invited to provide the preference or comments on the CRs.

For Issue 3, Huawei CRs give the possible changes, companies are invited to provide the comments on the CRs.

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| **Company** | **Agree / Disagree** | **Comments** |
| MediaTek |  | We prefer the Huawei’s CRs, which seems simpler.  In addition, it seems that the following change is not necessary. The UE just provide the UE assistance information according to latest configuration.  3> initiate transmission of a *UEAssistanceInformation* message in accordance with clause 5.7.4.3 to provide UE assistance information corresponding to the content(s) transmitted in the *UEAssistanceInformation* message; |
| Qcom |  | For issue 1 & 2, We don’t agree with either approach, we provided a simpler solution. Please check Q2.  For issue 3, as we mentioned, we don’t see the issue, and need to restrict the UE to a specific behaviour, when UE is providing Assistance Information to target cell. |
| CATT | Either is OK | The two set of CRs seem to result in same intended behaviour, so either is OK with us.  It seems useful to clarify that changes proposed by CATT CRs also cover issue 3.  The difference between Huawei CRs and CATT CRs is that CATT CRs merge all initiations (including normal initiations and initiation by reconfiguration with sync) in the initiation section (i.e. 5.7.4.2). As mentioned above, the UE may initiate the transmission of *UEAssistanceInformation* upon receiving a new configuration for UE assistance information in the same *RRCReconfiguration* message. Hence, in our view it is cleaner and more straightforward to that all initiations are put together. |
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# Conclusion

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# Reference

1. R2-2007792 Correction on condition of stopping overheating prohibit timer Huawei, HiSilicon CR Rel-15 38.331 15.10.0 1905 - F NR\_newRAT-Core
2. R2-2007793 Correction on condition of stopping overheating prohibit timer Huawei, HiSilicon CR Rel-16 38.331 16.1.0 1906 - A NR\_newRAT-Core
3. R2-2007794 Correction on UE assistance information transmission for handover case Huawei, HiSilicon CR Rel-15 38.331 15.10.0 1907 - F NR\_newRAT-Core
4. R2-2007795 Correction on UE assistance information transmission for handover case Huawei, HiSilicon CR Rel-16 38.331 16.1.0 1908 - A NR\_newRAT-Core
5. R2-2006986 Further correction on UEAssistanceInformation upon reconfiguration with sync CATT CR Rel-15 38.331 15.10.0 1759 - F NR\_newRAT-Core
6. R2-2006987 Further correction on UEAssistanceInformation upon reconfiguration with sync CATT CR Rel-16 38.331 16.1.0 1760 - F NR\_newRAT-Core