**3GPP TSG-RAN WG2 Meeting #121 R2-2302228**

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| *CR-Form-v12.2* |
| **CHANGE REQUEST** |
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|  | **38.331** | **CR** | 3865 | **rev** | 1 | **Current version:** | **17.3.0** |  |
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| ***Proposed change affects:*** | UICC apps |  | ME | **x** | Radio Access Network |  | Core Network |  |

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| ***Title:***  | Corrections on SL Relay |
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| ***Source to WG:*** | ZTE Corporation, Sanechips |
| ***Source to TSG:*** | R2 |
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| ***Work item code:*** | NR\_SL\_Relay-Core |  | ***Date:*** | 2023-3-2 |
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| ***Category:*** | ***F*** |  | ***Release:*** | Rel-17 |
|  | *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 canbe 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:*** | 1. In clause 5.8.13.3, it allows a UE to become a L3 Relay UE (i.e. AS threshold is met) based on Preconfig and transmit discovery message when there is no SIB12 broadcasted or SIB12 does not include the concerned SL discovery frequency. However, no relay UE’s AS threshold is included in SidelinkPreconfigNR. Regarding the misalignment between the procedural text in clause 5.8.13.3 and SidelinkPreconfigNR for the case of L3 relay is out of coverage, RAN2 agreed that the UE considers the case where it is in coverage of its serving frequency but out of coverage for the frequency for discovery as “threshHighRelay or threshLowRelay is not configured”. In addition, RAN2 agreed to only remove the threshold check condition and capture the text without the parenthetical.
2. In SL-RequestedSIB-List, the current signaling requires the remote UE to signal 33 SIB info, which causes signaling overhead. After discussion, RAN2 agreed that “The spare values in the remote UE SIB request mean “no SIB” and cannot be repurposed in future to represent a different SIB. No change to the SIB request signalling format (i.e., we keep the fixed size request).” and rename all spare values to “SIB Not Requested”, e,g, sibNotReq11, sibNotReq10 etc, and add field description of “SL-SIB-ReqInfo”.
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| ***Summary of change:*** | 1. In clause 5.8.13.3, for L3 relay UE, remove “ and if the NR sidelink U2N Relay UE threshold conditions as specified in 5.8.14.2 are met based on *sl-RelayUE-ConfigCommon* in *SidelinkPreconfigNR*”.
2. In RemoteUEInformationSidelink, rename all spare values to “SIB Not Requested”, e,g, sibNotReq11, sibNotReq10 etc, and add field description of “SL-SIB-ReqInfo” as “Indicates the requested SIB type. Values sibNotReq11, sibNotReq10, …, sibNotReq1 shall be ignored by L2 U2N relay UE (i.e., no SIB requested)”.

**Impact analysis****Impacted 5G architecture options:**NG-RAN Architecture supporting the PC5 interface.**Impacted functionality:**SL relay communication.**Inter-operability:**There is no inter-operatbility issues. |
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| ***Consequences if not approved:*** | 1. Misalignment between the procedural text in clause 5.8.13.3 and SidelinkPreconfigNR for the case of L3 relay is out of coverage.
2. Spare values in SL-SIB-ReqInfo are not clear.
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| ***Clauses affected:*** | 5.8.13.3, 6.6.2 |
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|  | **Y** | **N** |  |  |
| ***Other specs*** |  | **X** |  Other core specifications  | TS/TR ... CR ... |
| ***affected:*** |  | **x** |  Test specifications | TS/TR ... CR ...  |
| ***(show related CRs)*** |  | **x** |  O&M Specifications | TS/TR ... CR ...  |
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| ***Other comments:*** |  |
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| ***This CR's revision history:*** | Rev0: R2-2301122.Rev1: Revised based on agreements. |

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| *Start of change* |

5.8.13.3 NR sidelink discovery transmission

A UE capable of NR sidelink discovery that is configured by upper layer to transmit NR sidelink discovery message shall:

1> if the frequency used for NR sidelink discovery is included in *sl-FreqInfoToAddModList* in *sl-ConfigDedicatedNR* within *RRCReconfiguration* message; or if the frequency used for NR sidelink discovery is includedin *sl-FreqInfoList* within *SIB12*:

2> if the UE is in RRC\_CONNECTED and uses the frequency included in *sl-ConfigDedicatedNR* within *RRCReconfiguration* message:

3> if the UE is acting as NR sidelink U2N Relay UE and *sl-DiscConfig* is included in *RRCReconfiguration*, and if the NR sidelink U2N Relay UE threshold conditions as specified in 5.8.14.2 are met based on *sl-RelayUE-Config*; or

3> if the UE is selecting NR sidelink U2N Relay UE / has a selected NR sidelink U2N Relay UE/ configured with measurement object associated to L2 U2N Relay UEs and *sl-DiscConfig* is included in *RRCReconfiguration*, and if the NR sidelink U2N Remote UE threshold conditions as specified in 5.8.15.2 are met based on *sl-RemoteUE-Config*; or

3> if the UE is performing NR sidelink non-relay discovery:

4> if the UE is configured with *sl-ScheduledConfig*:

5> if T310 for MCG or T311 is running; and if *sl-TxPoolExceptional* is included in *sl-FreqInfoList* for the concerned frequency in *SIB12* or included in *sl-ConfigDedicatedNR* in *RRCReconfiguration*; or

5> if T301 is running and the cell on which the UE initiated RRC connection re-establishment provides *SIB12* including *sl-TxPoolExceptional* for the concerned frequency; or

5> if T304 for MCG is running and the UE is configured with *sl-TxPoolExceptional* included in *sl-ConfigDedicatedNR* for the concerned frequency in *RRCReconfiguration*:

6> configure lower layers to perform the sidelink resource allocation mode 2 based on random selection using the resource pool indicated by *sl-TxPoolExceptional* as defined in TS 38.321 [3];

5> else:

6> configure lower layers to perform the sidelink resource allocation mode 1 using the resource pool indicated by *sl-DiscTxPoolScheduling* or *sl-TxPoolScheduling* for NR sidelink discovery transmission on the concerned frequency in *RRCReconfiguration*;

5> if T311 is running, configure the lower layers to release the resources indicated by *rrc-ConfiguredSidelinkGrant* (if any);

4> if the UE is configured with *sl-UE-SelectedConfig*:

5> if the *sl-DiscTxPoolSelected* for NR sidelink discovery transmission on the concerned frequency is included in the *sl-ConfigDedicatedNR* within *RRCReconfiguration*, and if a result of full/partial sensing, if selected and is allowed by *sl-AllowedResourceSelectionConfig*, on the resources configured in *sl-DiscTxPoolSelected* for NR sidelink discovery transmission on the concerned frequency included in *sl-ConfigDedicatedNR* within *RRCReconfiguration* is not available in accordance with TS 38.214 [19]; or

5> if the *sl-DiscTxPoolSelected* for NR sidelink discovery transmission on the concerned frequency is not included in the *sl-ConfigDedicatedNR* within *RRCReconfiguration*, and a result of full/partial sensing, if selected and is allowed by *sl-AllowedResourceSelectionConfig*, on the resources configured in *sl-TxPoolSelectedNormal* for NR sidelink discovery transmission on the concerned frequency included in *sl-ConfigDedicatedNR* within *RRCReconfiguration* is not available in accordance with TS 38.214 [19];

6> if *sl-TxPoolExceptional* for the concerned frequency is included in *RRCReconfiguration*; or

6> if the PCell provides *SIB12* including *sl-TxPoolExceptional* in *sl-FreqInfoList* for the concerned frequency:

7> configure lower layers to perform the sidelink resource allocation mode 2 based on random selection using the resource pool indicated by *sl-TxPoolExceptional* as defined in TS 38.321 [3];

5> else, if the *sl-DiscTxPoolSelected* for NR sidelink discovery transmission on the concerned frequency is included in the *sl-ConfigDedicatedNR* within *RRCReconfiguration*:

6> configure lower layers to perform the sidelink resource allocation mode 2 based on resource selection operation according to *sl-AllowedResourceSelectionConfig* (as defined in TS 38.321 [3] and TS 38.214 [19]) using the pools of resources indicated by *sl-DiscTxPoolSelected* for NR sidelink discovery transmission on the concerned frequency in *RRCReconfiguration*;

5> else, if the *sl-TxPoolSelectedNormal* for NR sidelink discovery transmission on the concerned frequency is included in the *sl-ConfigDedicatedNR* within *RRCReconfiguration*:

6> configure lower layers to perform the sidelink resource allocation mode 2 based on resource selection operation according to *sl-AllowedResourceSelectionConfig* (as defined in TS 38.321 [3] and TS 38.214 [19]) using the pools of resources indicated by *sl-TxPoolSelectedNormal* for NR sidelink discovery transmission on the concerned frequency in *RRCReconfiguration*;

2> else if the cell chosen for NR sidelink discovery transmission provides *SIB12*:

3> if the UE is acting as NR sidelink U2N Relay UE and *sl-DiscConfigCommon* is included in *SIB12*, and if the NR sidelink U2N Relay UE threshold conditions as specified in 5.8.14.2 are met based on *sl-RelayUE-ConfigCommon* in *SIB12*; or

3> if the UE is selecting NR sidelink U2N Relay UE / has a selected NR sidelink U2N Relay UE and *sl-DiscConfigCommon* is included in *SIB12*, and if the NR sidelink U2N Remote UE threshold conditions as specified in 5.8.15.2 are met based on *sl-RemoteUE-ConfigCommon* in *SIB12*; or

3> if the UE is performing NR sidelink non-relay discovery:

4> if *SIB12* includes *sl-DiscTxPoolSelected* for NR sidelink discovery transmission on the concerned frequency,and a result of full/partial sensing, if selected and is allowed by *sl-AllowedResourceSelectionConfig*, on the resources configured in the *sl-DiscTxPoolSelected* for NR sidelink discovery transmission is available in accordance with TS 38.214 [19] or random selection, if allowed by *sl-AllowedResourceSelectionConfig*, is selected:

5> configure lower layers to perform the sidelink resource allocation mode 2 based on resource selection operation according to *sl-AllowedResourceSelectionConfig* using the pools of resources indicated by *sl-DiscTxPoolSelected* for NR sidelink discovery transmission on the concerned frequency in *SIB12* as defined in TS 38.321 [3];

4> else if *SIB12* includes *sl-TxPoolSelectedNormal* for NR sidelink discovery transmission on the concerned frequency,and a result of full/partial sensing, if selected and is allowed by *sl-AllowedResourceSelectionConfig*, on the resources configured in the *sl-TxPoolSelectedNormal* for NR sidelink discovery transmission is available in accordance with TS 38.214 [19] or random selection, if allowed by *sl-AllowedResourceSelectionConfig*, is selected:

5> configure lower layers to perform the sidelink resource allocation mode 2 based on resource selection operation according to *sl-AllowedResourceSelectionConfig* using the pools of resources indicated by *sl-TxPoolSelectedNormal* for NR sidelink discovery transmission on the concerned frequency in *SIB12* as defined in TS 38.321 [3];

4> else if *SIB12* includes *sl-TxPoolExceptional* for the concerned frequency:

5> from the moment the UE initiates RRC connection establishment or RRC connection resume, until receiving an *RRCReconfiguration* including *sl-ConfigDedicatedNR*, or receiving an *RRCRelease* or an *RRCReject*; or

5> if a result of full/partial sensing, if selected and is allowed by *sl-AllowedResourceSelectionConfig*, on the resources configured in *sl-DiscTxPoolSelected* for NR sidelink discovery transmission on the concerned frequency in *SIB12* is not available in accordance with TS 38.214 [19]; or

5> if *sl-DiscTxPoolSelected* for NR sidelink discovery transmission on the concerned frequency is not included in *SIB12* andif a result of full/partial sensing, if selected and is allowed by *sl-AllowedResourceSelectionConfig*, on the resources configured in *sl-TxPoolSelectedNormal* for NR sidelink discovery transmission on the concerned frequency in *SIB12* is not available in accordance with TS 38.214 [19]:

6> configure lower layers to perform the sidelink resource allocation mode 2 based on random selection (as defined in TS 38.321 [3]) using one of the pools of resources indicated by *sl-TxPoolExceptional* for the concerned frequency;

1> else if out of coverage on the concerned frequency for NR sidelink discovery:

2> if the UE is acting as L3 U2N Relay UE; or

2> if the UE is selecting NR sidelink U2N Relay UE / has a selected NR sidelink U2N Relay UE and if the NR sidelink U2N Remote UE threshold conditions as specified in 5.8.15.2 are met based on *sl-RemoteUE-ConfigCommon* in *SidelinkPreconfigNR*; or

2> if the UE is performing NR sidelink non-relay discovery:

3> configure lower layers to perform the sidelink resource allocation mode 2 based on resource selection operation according to *sl-AllowedResourceSelectionConfig* (as defined in TS 38.321 [3] and TS 38.213 [13]) using the pools of resources indicated in *sl-DiscTxPoolSelected* or *sl-TxPoolSelectedNormal* for NR sidelink discovery transmission on the concerned frequency in *SidelinkPreconfigNR*.

NOTE: It is up to UE implementation to determine, in accordance with TS 38.321[3], which resource pool to use if multiple resource pools are configured, and which resource allocation scheme is used in the AS based on UE capability (for a UE in RRC\_IDLE/RRC\_INACTIVE) and the allowed resource schemes *sl-allowedResourceSelectionConfig* in the resource pool configuration.

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| *Next change* |

6.6.2 Message definitions

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#### – *RemoteUEInformationSidelink*

The *RemoteUEInformationSidelink* message is used to request SIB(s) or provide paging related information as specified in clause 5.8.9.8.1.

Signalling radio bearer: SL-SRB3

RLC-SAP: AM

Logical channel: SCCH

Direction: L2 U2N Remote UE to L2 U2N Relay UE

*RemoteUEInformationSidelink* message

-- ASN1START

-- TAG-REMOTEUEINFORMATIONSIDELINK-START

RemoteUEInformationSidelink-r17 ::= SEQUENCE {

 criticalExtensions CHOICE {

 remoteUEInformationSidelink-r17 RemoteUEInformationSidelink-r17-IEs,

 criticalExtensionsFuture SEQUENCE {}

 }

}

RemoteUEInformationSidelink-r17-IEs ::= SEQUENCE {

 sl-RequestedSIB-List-r17 SetupRelease { SL-RequestedSIB-List-r17} OPTIONAL, -- Need M

 sl-PagingInfo-RemoteUE-r17 SetupRelease { SL-PagingInfo-RemoteUE-r17} OPTIONAL, -- Need M

 lateNonCriticalExtension OCTET STRING OPTIONAL,

 nonCriticalExtension SEQUENCE {} OPTIONAL

}

SL-RequestedSIB-List-r17 ::= SEQUENCE (SIZE (maxSIB-MessagePlus1-r17)) OF SL-SIB-ReqInfo-r17

SL-PagingInfo-RemoteUE-r17 ::= SEQUENCE {

 sl-PagingIdentityRemoteUE-r17 SL-PagingIdentityRemoteUE-r17,

 sl-PagingCycleRemoteUE-r17 PagingCycle OPTIONAL -- Need M

}

SL-SIB-ReqInfo-r17 ::= ENUMERATED { sib1, sib2, sib3, sib4, sib5, sib6, sib7, sib8, sib9, sib10, sib11, sib12, sib13,

 sib14, sib15, sib16, sib17, sib18, sib19, sib20, sib21, sibNotReq11, sibNotReq10, sibNotReq9,

 sibNotReq8, sibNotReq7, sibNotReq6, sibNotReq5, sibNotReq4, sibNotReq3, sibNotReq2, sibNotReq1, ... }

-- TAG-REMOTEUEINFORMATIONSIDELINK-STOP

-- ASN1STOP

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| *RemoteUEInformationSidelink-IEs* field descriptions |
| ***sl-RequestedSIB-List***Contains a list of requested SIBs. |
| ***SL-SIB-ReqInfo***Indicates the requested SIB type. Values sibNotReq11, sibNotReq10, …, sibNotReq1 shall be ignored by L2 U2N relay UE (i.e., no SIB requested). |
| ***sl-PagingInfo-RemoteUE***Indicates the paging information used by L2 U2N Relay UE to perform the connected L2 U2N Remote UE's paging monitoring. |
| ***sl-PagingIdentityRemoteUE***Indicates the L2 U2N Remote UE's paging UE ID. |
| ***sl-PagingCycleRemoteUE***Indicates the L2 U2N Remote UE's UE specific DRX cycle as the minimum value of the one provided by upper layers (if configured) and the one provided by RRC layer (if configured). Value rf32 corresponds to 32 radio frames, value rf64 corresponds to 64 radio frames and so on. |

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| *End of change* |