Liaison Letter Concerning Release of HbbTV 2.0.2 Specification

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Dear Per, Erik,

Thank you for your organisation's interest in HbbTV. We are pleased to be able to share news about the publication of a number of new documents.

- HbbTV 2.0.2 – a new revision of the core HbbTV specification adding support for HDR and HFR video and Next Generation Audio (NGA). This will be proposed to ETSI to become TS 102 796 V1.5.1. As well as the new features, this includes fixes for a number of bugs in HbbTV 2.0.1. A presentation explaining the changes can be found next to the specification itself.

- Errata #3 to HbbTV 2.0.1 – this contains the exact same fixes for bugs in HbbTV 2.0.1 as are included in HbbTV 2.0.2

- HbbTV 2.0.1 with errata #3 integrated – this is a version of HbbTV 2.0.1 with the bug fixes from errata #3 (and hence HbbTV 2.0.2) integrated into the body of the document to make it easier for people to see the fixes in context.

- Errata #2 to HbbTV 2.0.1 – this was approved last October but not published because a significant error was found with one of the fixes at the very last minute. In theory this errata document is overtaken and obsoleted by errata #3 however we are publishing it anyway as one country references it.

These are now available from https://www.hbbtv.org/resource-library/#specifications.

According to our process, we only publish new specifications once unit test descriptions have been written, reviewed and approved. This has been done for HDR, HFR and NGA as included in HbbTV 2.0.2. HbbTV is in the process of obtaining quotations for the corresponding test cases and hopes to place orders before Easter for delivery before the summer. Please understand that HbbTV has not yet decided how many of them to order and may not order all 177 immediately. We expect all ordered test cases will be included in the July 2018 release of our test suite however it is impossible to predict how many of them will be formally approved for certification and how many will still be "candidate" status. This is largely dependent on members committing time to review them, run them on devices and analyse problems when they occur.

Regards

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