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## Foreword

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## Introduction

The first two parts of ISO 15118 describe the use cases and the technical specification of the Vehicle-to-Grid Communication Interface which is intended for the optimized use of energy resources so that electric road vehicles can recharge in the most economic or most energy efficient way. It is furthermore required to develop efficient and convenient billing systems in order to cover micro-payments resulting from charging processes. The necessary communication channel may serve in the future to contribute to the stabilization of the electrical grid, as well as to support additional information services required to operate electric vehicles efficiently and economically.

Resulting from the physical and data link layer requirements defined in the third part of the standard, a corresponding set of test cases are required in order to verify conformance of implementations. This document therefore defines a conformance test suite for the physical and data link layer protocols in order to derive a common and agreed basis for conformance tests. The resulting test suite is a necessary prerequisite for downstream interoperability tests. Since interoperability furthermore involves the actual application logic of an implementation, those tests are beyond the scope of this document. Hence this document focuses on the interface aspects and the corresponding requirements given in part three only.



# Road vehicles — Vehicle to grid communication interface —

## Part 5: Physical layer and data link layer conformance test

### 1 Scope

This document specifies conformance tests in the form of an Abstract Test Suite (ATS) for a System Under Test (SUT) implementing an Electric Vehicle or Supply Equipment Communication Controller (EVCC or SECC) with support for PLC-based High Level Communication (HLC) and Basic Signaling according to ISO 15118-3. These conformance tests specify the testing of capabilities and behaviors of an SUT, as well as checking what is observed against the conformance requirements specified in ISO 15118-3 and against what the implementer states the SUT implementation's capabilities are.

The capability tests within the ATS check that the observable capabilities of the SUT are in accordance with the static conformance requirements defined in ISO 15118-3. The behavior tests of the ATS examine an implementation as thoroughly as is practical over the full range of dynamic conformance requirements defined in ISO 15118-3 and within the capabilities of the SUT (see NOTE 1).

A test architecture is described in correspondence to the ATS. The conformance test cases in this part of the standard are described leveraging this test architecture and are specified in TTCN-3 Core Language for the ISO/OSI Physical and Data Link Layers (Layers 1 and 2). The conformance test cases for the ISO/OSI Network Layer (Layer 3) and above are described in ISO 15118-4.

In terms of coverage, this document only covers normative sections and requirements in ISO 15118-3. This document can additionally include specific tests for requirements of referenced standards (e.g. IEEE, or industry consortia standards) as long as they are relevant in terms of conformance for implementations according to ISO 15118-3. However, it is explicitly not intended to widen the scope of this conformance specification to such external standards, if it is not technically necessary for the purpose of conformance testing for ISO 15118-3. Furthermore, the conformance tests specified in this document do not include the assessment of performance nor robustness or reliability of an implementation. They cannot provide judgments on the physical realization of abstract service primitives, how a system is implemented, how it provides any requested service, nor the environment of the protocol implementation. Furthermore, the test cases defined in this document only consider the communication protocol and the system's behavior defined ISO 15118-3. Power flow between the EVSE and the EV is not considered.

**NOTE 1** Practical limitations make it impossible to define an exhaustive test suite, and economic considerations can restrict testing even further. Hence, the purpose of this document is to increase the probability that different implementations are able to interwork. This is achieved by verifying them by means of a protocol test suite, thereby increasing the confidence that each implementation conforms to the protocol specification. However, the specified protocol test suite cannot guarantee conformance to the specification since it detects errors rather than their absence. Thus conformance to a test suite alone cannot guarantee interworking. What it does do is give confidence that an implementation has the required capabilities and that its behavior conforms consistently in representative instances of communication.

**NOTE 2** This document has some interdependencies to the conformance tests defined in ISO 15118-4 which result from ISO/OSI cross layer dependencies in the underlying protocol specification (e.g. for sleep mode).

## 2 Normative references

The following documents are referred to in the text in such a way that some or all of their content constitutes requirements of this document. For dated references, only the edition cited applies. For undated references, the latest edition of the referenced document (including any amendments) applies.

IEC 61851-1:2017, *Electric vehicle conductive charging system — Part 1: General requirements (Ed 3.0, 2017)*

ISO 15118-1:2013, *Road vehicles — Vehicle to grid communication interface — Part 1: General information and use-case definition*

ISO 15118-2:2014, *Road vehicles — Vehicle-to-Grid Communication Interface — Part 2: Network and application protocol requirements*

ISO 15118-3:2015, *Road vehicles — Vehicle to grid communication interface — Part 3: Physical and data link layer requirements*

ETSI ES 201 873-5 V4.6.1, *TTCN-3: TTCN-3 Runtime Interface (June 2014)*

ETSI ES 201 873-6 V4.6.1, *TTCN-3: TTCN-3 Control Interface (June 2014)*

HomePlug Green PHY Specification, release version 1.1.1, July 4, 2013

NOTE 1 Even though ISO 15118-3:2015, which is the baseline for this conformance test document, explicitly references IEC 61851-1:2011, this document references IEC 61851-1:2017 because of applicability on the market.