TechSpec BoF

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Agenda

• 09h00 Administrivia
  – Jabber scribe/minutes taker
  – Agenda bash

• 09h05 Overview & Introduction [Leslie Daigle]

• 09h10 Review and discussion of open issues [Stephen Hayes, Allison Mankin]
  – draft-mankin-pub-req

• 10h30 Discussion of any other requirements

• 11h00 Determination of where from here for requirements documentation.
Introduction -- what this is

- This is a review of the requirements for the process and structure of technical specification publication that is critical to the IETF's work.
- Constructive enumeration and expression of IETF publication requirements, without prejudice as to whether the requirements are currently met or not.
- Input
  - draft-mankin-pub-req
- Mailing list
  - techspec@ietf.org
- Intention going forward: a community-reviewed document (BCP or otherwise, as appropriate).
This is one piece of a puzzle

- Overall timeline
- Straw proposal of RFC Editor Charter
- Defining IETF technical specification publication requirements
  - TechSpec BoF (right here, right now!)
Pertinent piece of draft timeline

• Apr 15 2006 [TechSpec]
  – Target reasonable consensus document.

• Apr 15 2006 [IETF]
  – Start of 4 week last call of TechSpec document

• Apr 15 2006 [IAB]
  – Revised RFC Editor charter.

• May 7 2006 [IASA]
  – Request for Vendor Expressions of Interest

• May 15 2006
  – Close of last call of TechSpec document

• June 1 2006
  – Approval version of last called TechSpec document
Introduction -- what this is not

• Not now:
  – Discussion of whether output is referred to as RFCs or ISDs, what "is" an RFC
  – Critique of the existing RFC Editor/publication activity
  – Discussion of specific publication formats is out of scope.

• Later:
  – Once there is community agreement on what the basic requirements are....
  – Separate discussion of how to map this to existing, modified, or new publication activities -- thereby addressing the out of scope points above.