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Setup and Deployment User's Guide

Foreword

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1 Overview

1.1 mēā Product Kit Overview

The mēā Product Kit allows a network operator to deploy a wireless, multi-hopping ad hoc network. The product kit supports up to 25 Subscriber Devices, allows mobility between IAPs, and provides enhanced system management capabilities.

It is recommended that the Network Operator receive setup and deployment training at MeshNetworks' facility prior to deploying the mēā network. MeshNetworks may provide the Network Operator, as an option, assistance with site surveys and deployment.

1.2 Document Overview

This document describes how to setup, configure, and deploy a mēā kit. The mēā MWR6300 (Wireless Router) and IAP6300 (Intelligent Access Point) require "professional installation" to ensure the installation is performed in accordance with FCC licensing regulations.

The components of a mēā system are provided with a preinstalled "standard configuration" provided by MeshNetworks. The configuration items described in this document allow the system to be customized with site-specific information.

The document presents information on the current mēā components. As the components evolve, the document will be updated.

1.3 Acronyms

HAS	Hardware Authentication Server
IAP	Intelligent Access Point
mēā	Mesh Enabled Architecture
MiSC	Mobile Internet Switching Controller
SD	Subscriber Device (a host device with a WMC6300 installed and operational)
WMC	Wireless Modem Card
WR	Wireless Router

1.4 Related Documentation

mēā WMC6300 Wireless Router User's Guide

MeshView User's Guide

MeshManager User's Guide

Location Analyzer User's Guide

1.5 Overview of the mēā System

1.5.1 Introduction

MeshNetworks develops Mobile Broadband communications systems with “meshed” architectures. That is, each node can connect directly, or indirectly (by hopping through other nodes), with any other node in the network. The peer-to-peer nature of the mesh architecture combined with data rate control in each subscriber and infrastructure node in the network insures reliable delivery while providing increased network capacity through geographic reuse of the frequency spectrum.

The network comprises four distinct elements:

- Subscriber Devices (SDs)
- Wireless Routers (WRs)
- Intelligent Access Points (IAPs)
- Mobile Internet Switching Controllers (MiSCs)

The overwhelming portion of the value that MeshNetworks provides is in the Wireless Modem Card (WMC). The WMC is used in Subscriber Devices as well as in the Wireless Router and Intelligent Access Point (IAP), both of which are types of infrastructure equipment. MeshNetworks provides a Mobile Internet Switching Controller (MiSC) which is assembled from industry standard equipment and conform to industry standards. MeshNetworks also provides the network applications which are required for proper operation and value extraction from the mēā mobile internet system.

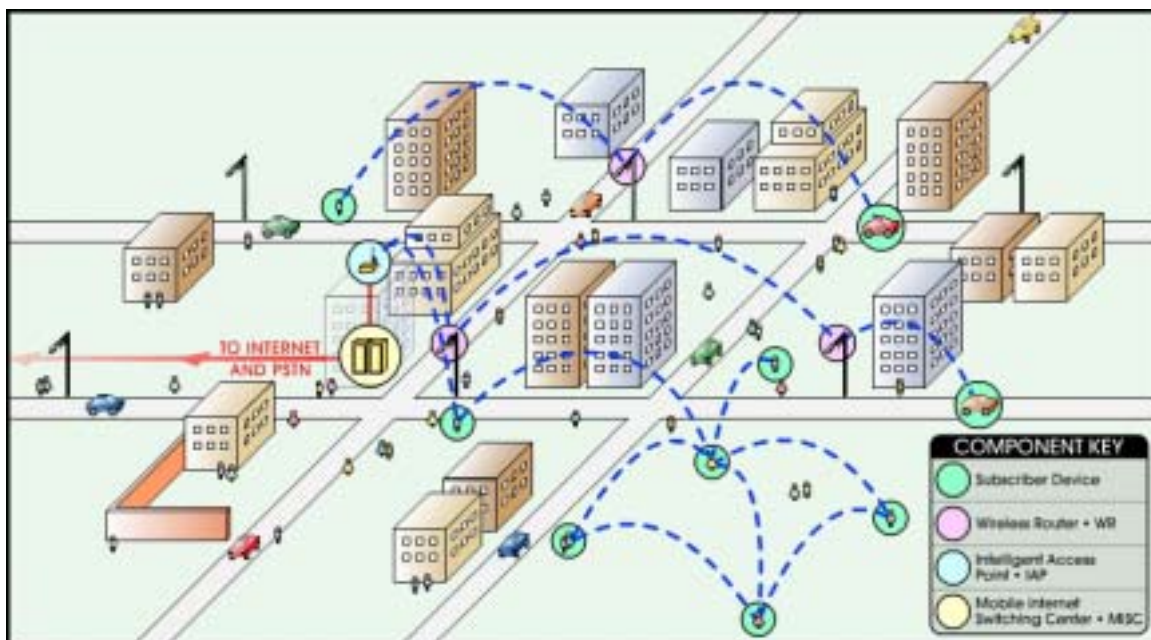


Figure 1. Elements of the mēā System

All network elements are designed to support mobile applications. Subscriber Devices can be either mobile or fixed, while the remaining components are typically fixed. Wireless Routers and

IAPs can be mounted on utility poles, light poles, traffic apparatus, billboards, and buildings. Their fixed positions allow the Subscriber Device to pinpoint its location within one second. WRs and IAPs can also be mobile, attached to emergency vehicles, utility vehicles, or fleet vehicles. It is important to note that the WMC technology within a Subscriber Device is identical to the WMC technology in Wireless Routers and IAPs.

The mea system was designed to minimize the cost associated with deploying a mobile Internet with end user data access rates on the order of DSL or Cable Modem. The chosen metric of network efficiency for a data centric network is bits per second per Hertz per square kilometer per dollar (bps/hz/km²/\$). This metric balances the user data rates, allocated bandwidth, coverage area, and cost. One of the most important factors in optimizing this metric is the choice of network architecture.



1.5.1.1 Subscriber Devices (SDs)

The MeshNetworks' Wireless Modem Card (WMC) is provided as a PCMCIA form factor device. The WMC is used with an off-the-shelf IP-enabled laptop, handheld computer, PDA, or entertainment device. These two devices together make up a Subscriber Device (SD).

The WMC provides access to the fixed infrastructure network and other networks, such as the Internet, and it can also function as a Wireless Router and repeater for other SDs.

SDs can therefore be a key part of the network infrastructure. Adding subscribers can effectively increase the number of Wireless Routers in the network, which increases the number of alternative paths that subscribers may utilize. This can reduce both the time and cost to deploy network infrastructure, while also increasing the spectral efficiency and therefore the capacity of the network. And because SDs can also operate in an ad hoc peer-to-peer mode, two or more SDs can form a network without the need for any fixed infrastructure.

1.5.1.2 Wireless Routers (WRs)

The Wireless Router (WR) is a low-cost small-sized wireless device that is primarily deployed to seed a geographical area, extending the range between IAPs and subscribers, and to simultaneously increase the network's spectral efficiency. Wireless Routers provide a number of functions in the network, such as:

- Range extension for Subscriber Devices and IAPs
- Hopping points for subscriber peer-to-peer networking
- Automatic load balancing
- Route selection
- Network capacity optimization through small packet consolidation
- Fixed reference for geo-location services



The Wireless Router's small size and light weight allow it to be mounted almost anywhere. No towers are required.

1.5.1.3 Intelligent Access Points (IAPs)



The Intelligent Access Point (IAP) is a low-cost shoebox-sized device that acts as the transition point from the wireless network to the wired core network and from there, through media gateways, out to the Internet. Each IAP offers up to 6 Mbps burst of data capacity to subscribers. IAPs support the 10/100 base-T Ethernet interface. Other interfaces are supported through commercially available media translation devices. If additional network capacity is required, more IAPs can be easily deployed - without the need for extensive RF or site planning. The location of an IAP is non-critical due to the self-forming, self-balancing nature of MeshNetworks' technology. IAPs provide functions such as:

- Local mobility management of SDs
- Fixed reference for geo-location services
- Hopping points for subscriber peer-to-peer networking
- Transition point from the wireless to the wired portions of the network
- Route selection

The IAP's small size and light weight allow it to be mounted anywhere power and network connectivity are available. No towers are required. IAP software can be updated via over-the-wire downloads.

1.5.1.4 Mobile Internet Switching Controller (MiSC)

The Mobile Internet Switching Controller (MiSC) provides connectivity between the IAPs and wired world, and hosts the network's management and provisioning functions. The MiSC is composed of off-the-shelf hardware components, such as LAN routers and application servers. MiSC software consists of both off-the-shelf and MeshNetworks' proprietary software, MeshManager. The MeshManager software provides functions for the network such as:

- Subscriber provisioning, management, and authentication
- Configuration and fault management
- Network monitoring and reporting



1.6 Operational View of the mēa System

Figure 2 shows the different ways in which a subscriber can reach an IAP. It can connect directly, or hop through any number or combination of WRs and SDs. Additionally, if the subscriber wishes to execute a peer-to-peer application such as a file transfer, the subscriber can communicate directly, or through any combination of SDs, WRs, and IAPs.

The ability to use ad hoc routing to forward traffic improves the scalability of the mobile wireless Internet. In particular, the ability for the user to accomplish a peer-to-peer application without the use of infrastructure has tremendous advantages. A significant problem in every mobile wireless network is backhaul. The mēa architecture provides the ability to route traffic from

applications through SDs and WRs without ever reaching an IAP or the wired Internet. This reduces the amount of backhaul required by enabling the SDs to accomplish the backhaul whenever the opportunity arises. This results in lower deployment costs, reduced backhaul, and lower operating expenditures. The service provider can provide the same level of service with less equipment by empowering the SDs with ad hoc networking capability.

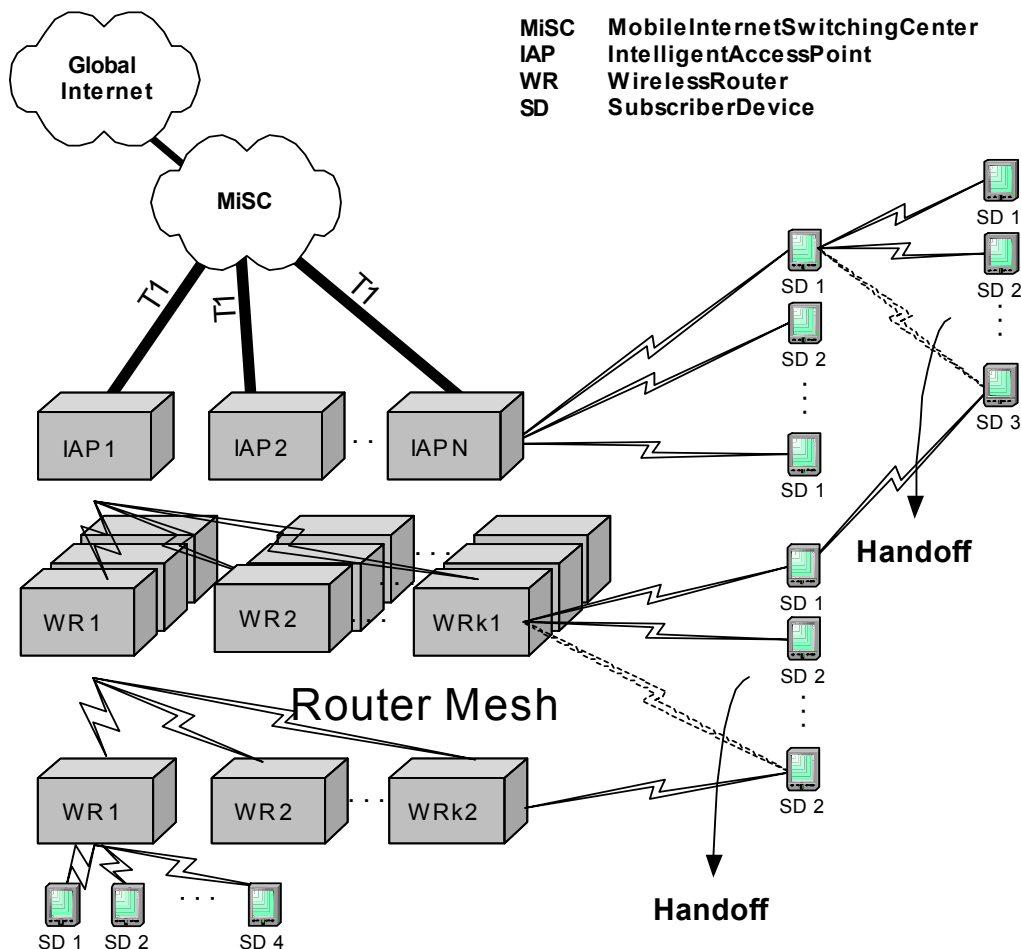


Figure 2. Operational View of the mea System

1.6.1 Network Architecture

The mea network utilizes two subnets, one for the mea wireless elements and one for the server elements. All of the mea wireless elements must be in a single subnet. The subnets are connected together by the core router, and the edge router provides Internet connectivity.

Figure 3 shows the logical network layout of a mea deployment.

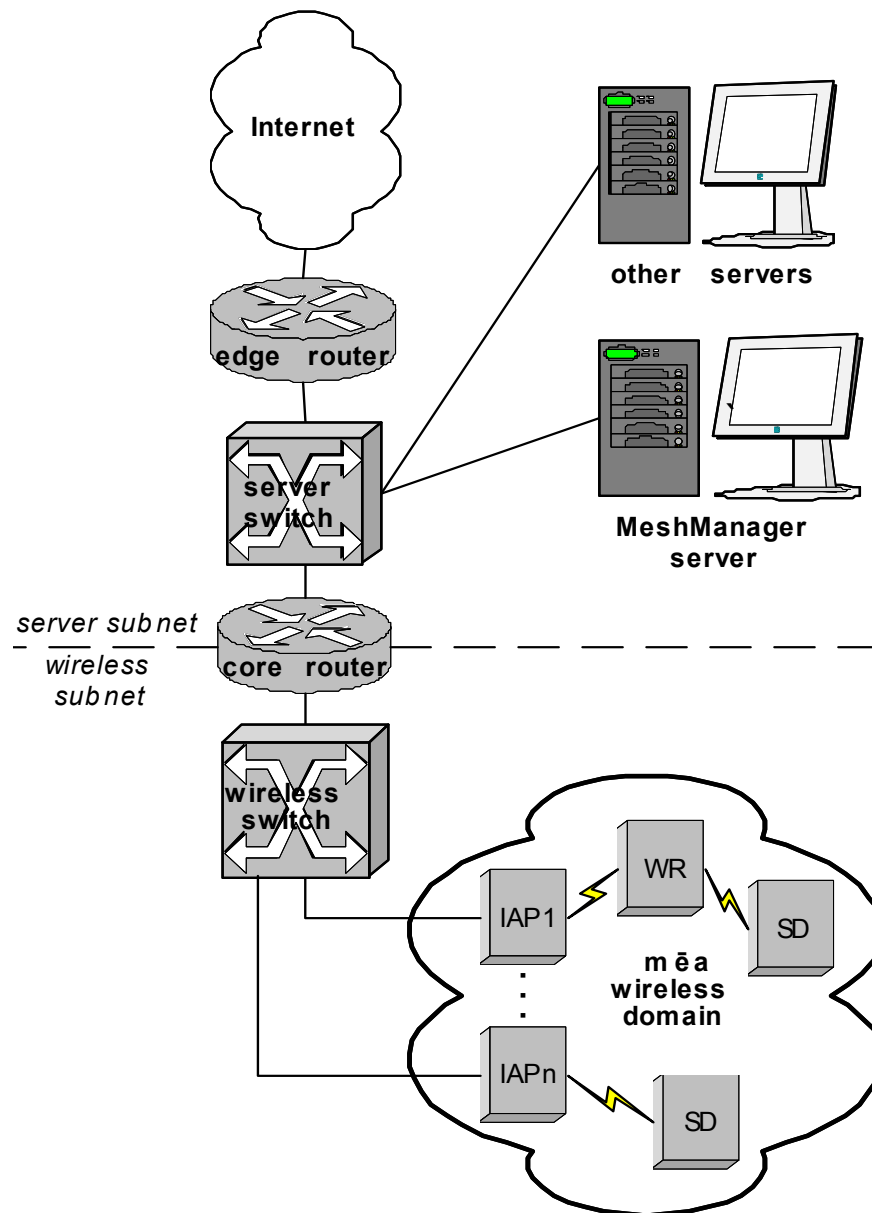


Figure 3. mēa Network Architecture

2 Subscriber Device (SD)

A Subscriber Device consists of both a Wireless Modem Card (WMC6300) and a customer provided host device such as a notebook computer.

2.1 Equipment

The following list defines the mea hardware components required to setup the WMC6300:

- WMC6300 Card
- 2.4 GHz Antenna with a MMCX connector
- Antenna Clip with adhesive backing

Equipment that must be supplied by the Subscriber includes the following:

- Notebook PCs running Microsoft Windows 2000™ Operating System

Optional Equipment

- External 2.4 GHz Automobile Antenna

2.2 Loading and Verifying Software

Refer to the WMC6300 User's Guide for step-by-step details on the setup procedures.

A CD will be supplied with the software to load on the Subscriber's equipment. It contains the following files:

Windows 2000

Setupmeaclient.exe – installs the mea drivers and MeshTray

Setupmv.exe – installs MeshView

2.2.1 Windows 2000 Installation

To install the drivers for the first time on a notebook PC running Microsoft Windows 2000, run the Setupmeaclient.exe from the CD-ROM. **Note:** The drivers must be installed before inserting the wireless modem card).

If MeshView is desired on a Win2000 subscriber device, run the setupmv.exe from the CD-ROM.

2.3 Testing

When the WMC6300 is inserted, you may receive an audible indicator that the device has been recognized. (If there is a problem with the drivers, Windows will prompt you for a new device installation.)

Click on the Windows "Start" button and select "Run" from the popup menu. Enter the command "**ipconfig**" in the text box and click on the "**OK**" button to check your IP address. If an IP address in the range of 10.0.x.1 is displayed, the transceiver is working properly.

3 Intelligent Access Point (IAP)

The IAP is an infrastructure device that is positioned at a fixed location such as a building rooftop. The IAP6300 requires “professional installation” to ensure the installation is performed in accordance with FCC licensing regulations.

The antenna(s) used for this transmitter must be fixed-mounted on outdoor permanent structures with a separation distance of at least 2 meters from all persons and must not be co-located or operating in conjunction with any other antenna or transmitter. Users and installers must be provided with antenna installation and transmitter operating conditions for satisfying RF exposure compliance.

The principle function of the IAP is to provide access for Subscriber Devices in the coverage area of the IAP to wired services. The IAP also provides a fixed location reference for Geo-Location (optional feature), provides wireless routing for units in the IAPs coverage area, and is the principal network management interface to transceivers within Wireless Routers and Subscriber Devices.

All mēq IAPs have mounting points for an optional mounting bracket. For a mēq deployment, a permanent AC power source for each IAP must be provided.

3.1 Equipment

The following list defines the standard mēq hardware components for the IAP:

- IAP Box with N-type Male Antenna Connector
- A/C Power Cable with standard 3 prong plug
- 7.5 dBi Antenna with N-type Female Antenna Connector

The Network Operator must supply the following:

- Mounting Location
- A/C Power Source
- Ethernet connection between the IAP and the MiSC

Optional Equipment

- Mounting Bracket
 - Pelco AB-3009-96 for attaching to poles up to 4” in diameter
 - Pelco AB-3010 for poles greater than 4” in diameter
 - mēq Universal Mounting Bracket
- Net-to-net boxes for T1 deployment
- Power Cords terminating in PE cell connector
- Serial Cable with DB9 Male Connectors (for PC to IAP transceiver debug)

3.2 IAP Assembly

The Figure 4 shows the connection points on an IAP box.

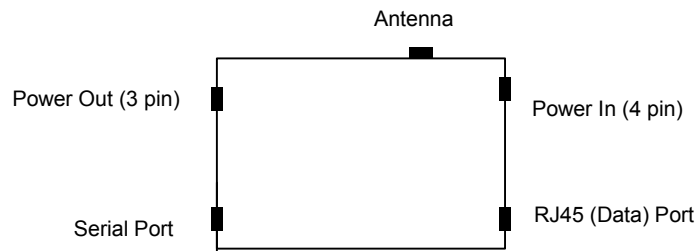


Figure 4. IAP Connection Points

Assemble the IAP with the following steps:

1. Insert the antenna into the N-type Connector on the top of the box, and rotate to close.
2. Insert the IAP Power Plug into the 4-pin connector.
3. Insert the Ethernet Cable into the RJ45 connector.
4. If used, insert the Net-to-Net Power Cable into the 3-pin connector.
5. The Serial Port should remain unconnected; it is used for maintenance/debug purposes.
6. The transceiver number and the SBC number are recorded on the back of the IAP.
Record these numbers, as they will be required to configure and test the device.

3.3 Deployment

The IAP may be mounted on either a flat surface or a pole, depending on which optional bracket is chosen. The antenna must also be fixed-mounted on outdoor permanent structures with a separation distance of at least 2 meters from all persons and must not be co-located or operating in conjunction with any other antenna or transmitter. Users and installers must be provided with antenna installation and transmitter operating conditions for satisfying RF exposure compliance.

See Figure 5 for an illustration of the optional brackets; Astro-brac Tenon Mount kit, Part Number AB-3010 and Astro-brac Cable Mount Kit, Part Number AB-3009L, respectively.

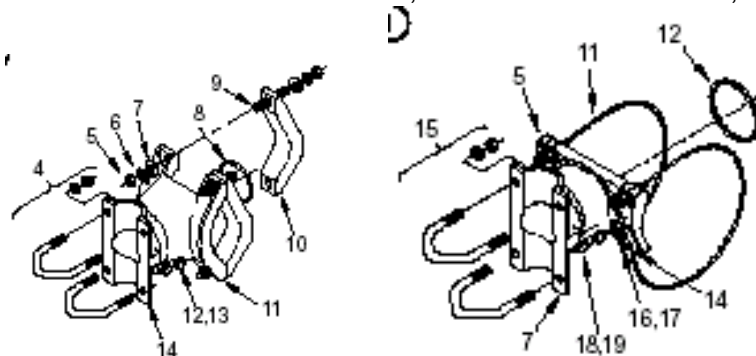


Figure 5. Optional Mounting Brackets

When deploying the IAP, the antenna should be a minimum of 30 inches from any nearby metal poles to avoid interference in the RF pattern.

The IAP must have an Ethernet connection to the MiSC. If the distance between the IAP and the MiSC is greater than 100 meters, the Network Operator may utilize a T1 with Net-to-Net boxes. The IAP has a 5V, 3-pin, power out connection on the side of the box to power the Net-to-Net boxes.

The installation location must have AC power available for the IAP.

It is the responsibility of the Network Operator to ensure that the installation complies with any local building codes.



Figure 6. IAP Enclosure Illustration

3.4 Initial IAP Configuration

Geo-location may be entered into an infrastructure device via the Device Manager tool (refer to the MiSC section of this document). Complete the following procedure to enter GPS data into the device:

1. Click on the “**DevMan**” shortcut icon located on the desktop.
2. If the device is not listed in the Device Tree (the left window), then perform the following:
 - a. Select “File/New Device”
 - b. Enter the device information (address type, device address, autoconfiguration button selected, device type, and template name).
 - c. Click on the “**Add**” button.
3. Select the device in the Device Tree. This causes the device information to be displayed in the Detail Pane.
4. Click on the “**Configuration**” tab.
5. Enter the latitude, longitude and altitude information in the Geo-location box.
Note: 5 digits following the decimal point is recommended.
6. Click on the “**Save**” button. The status bar will indicate if the save was successful or failed.
7. Click on the “**Status**” tab.
8. Click the “**Refresh**” button.
9. Verify that the geo data displayed in the position box has been updated

3.5 Testing

Once deployed, verify the health of the IAP with the following procedure:

1. The transceiver number and the SBC number are recorded on the back of the IAP. Record these numbers, as they will be required in Step 3.
2. Apply power to the IAP.
3. Obtain the transceiver number from the IAP box. Substitute the number for the “x” in the following commands:
4. From a Subscriber Device, issue the ping command for the transceiver: **ping 10.0.x.2**.
5. Next ping the SBC: **ping 10.0.x.1**

This verifies that both the transceiver and SBC are alive.

4 Wireless Router (WR)

The MWR6300 (Wireless Router) is an infrastructure device positioned in a fixed location, such as on a pole, wall, or rooftop. The MWR6300 requires “professional installation” to ensure the installation is performed in accordance with FCC licensing regulations.

The antenna(s) used for this transmitter must be fixed-mounted on outdoor permanent structures with a separation distance of at least 2 meters from all persons and must not be co-located or operating in conjunction with any other antenna or transmitter. Users and installers must be provided with antenna installation and transmitter operating conditions for satisfying RF exposure compliance.

The Wireless Routers primary function is to provide range extension, but it also provides a means to route around obstructions, and it provides a fixed and known location reference for use in Geo-Location (optional feature).

All mēq WRs have mounting points for an optional mounting bracket. For a mēq deployment, a permanent AC power source for each WR must be provided.

4.1 Equipment

The following list defines the mēq hardware components needed to setup a WR:

- WR Box with N-type Antenna Connector
- A/C Power Cable with standard 3 prong plug
- 7.5 dBi Antenna with N-type Female Antenna Connector

The Network Operator must supply the following:

- Mounting Location
- A/C Power Source

Optional Configurations:

- Mounting Bracket
 - Pelco AB-3009-96 for attaching to poles up to 4” in diameter
 - Pelco AB-3010 for poles greater than 4” in diameter
- Power Cable to connect to a Fisher-Pierce 7570B photoelectric cell
- Serial Cable with DB9 Male Connectors (for PC to WR debug)

4.2 WR Assembly

Figure 7 shows the connection points on a WR box.

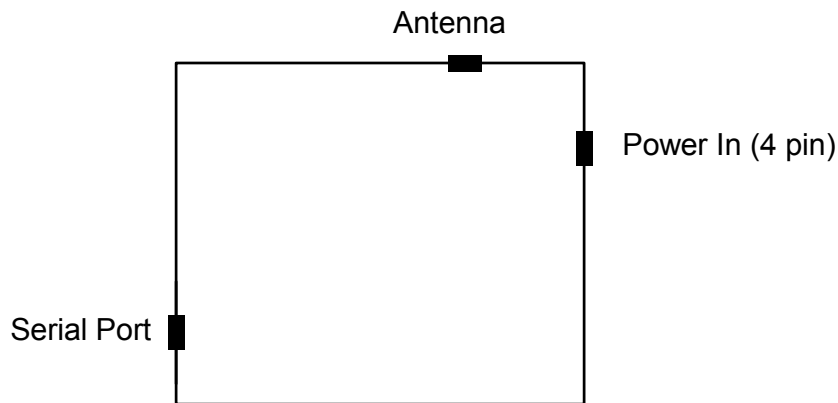


Figure 7. WR Connection Points

Assemble the WR using the following procedure:

1. Insert the Antenna into the N-type Connector on the top of the box, and rotate to close.
2. Insert the Power Plug into the 4-pin Connector.
3. The Serial Port should remain unconnected; it is used for maintenance/debug purposes.
4. The transceiver number is recorded on the back of the WR. Record this number, as it will be required to configure and test the device.

4.3 Deployment

The WR may be mounted on either a flat surface or a pole, depending on which optional bracket is selected.

When deploying the WR, the antenna should be a minimum of 30 inches from any nearby metal poles to avoid interference in the RF pattern. The antenna must also be fixed-mounted on outdoor permanent structures with a separation distance of at least 2 meters from all persons and must not be co-located or operating in conjunction with any other antenna or transmitter. Users and installers must be provided with antenna installation and transmitter operating conditions for satisfying RF exposure compliance.

The installation sight must have AC power available for the WR.

It is the responsibility of the Network Operator to ensure that the installation complies with any local building codes.

4.4 Initial Configuration

The configuration process for Geo-Location is the same as for the IAP. Refer to Section 3.4.

4.5 Testing

Verify the operation of the WR with the following procedure:

1. The transceiver number is recorded on the back of the WR. Record this number, as it will be required in Step 3.
2. Apply power to the WR.
3. Obtain the transceiver number from the WR box. Substitute the number for the “x” in the following commands:
4. From a Subscriber Device, issue the ping command for the transceiver: **ping 10.0.x.2**.

5 Mobile Internet Switching Controller (MiSC)

The MiSC provides routing, switching and management functions for the wireless network, and the connection to the wired world.

5.1 Equipment

The following list defines the standard mea components needed for the MiSC:

- SMC 24 Port Switch
- Cisco 1720 – Edge Router
- Cisco 1720 – Core Router
- MeshManager Server
- Monitor
- 5 Ethernet Cables
- 2 Ethernet Crossover Cables

The Network Operator must supply the following:

- Physical location and AC power, for routers, switch, server, monitor, keyboard, mouse, etc.
- Ethernet connection(s) from switch to IAP(s)
- Ethernet connection to Internet or to Network Operator's private network (Custom IP network configuration may be required depending on Network Operator's network configuration)
- Public address for Edge Router, DNS resolver address
- PC running Windows 2000 with an Ethernet Port for MiSC Configuration and MeshView

Optional Equipment:

- Geo Server
- T1 Network Extenders

5.2 Network Setup Description

The basic MiSC hardware configuration is shown in Figure 8.

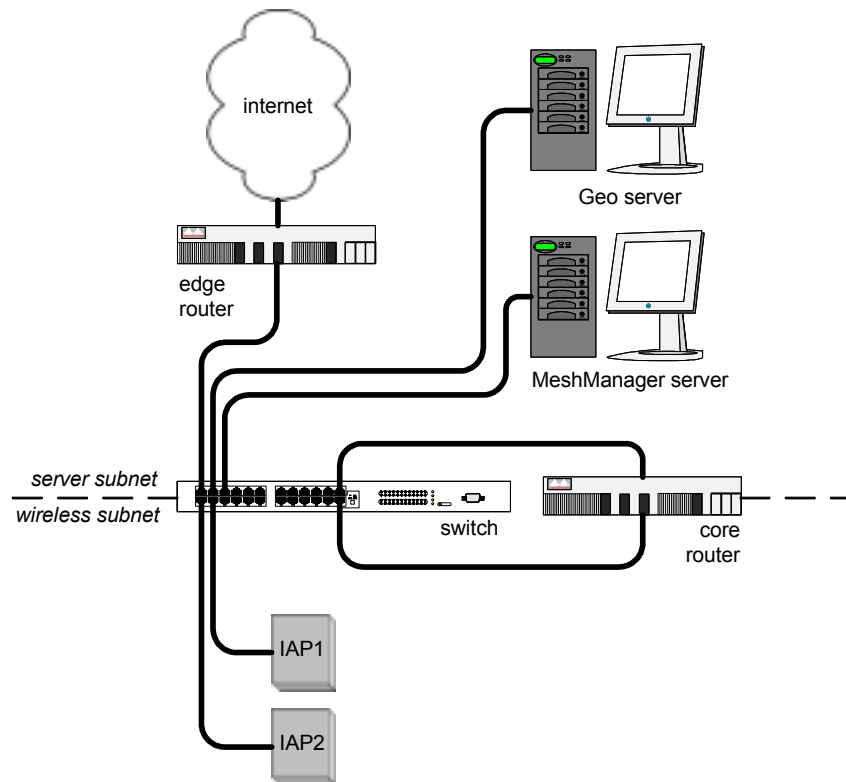


Figure 8. Basic MiSC Configuration

The following describes the parameters for setting up the network:

- All mēa wireless devices must be within the same subnet.
- mēa currently uses the non-routable 10.x.x.x (8 bit) subnet as defined in RFC 1918.
- The IAP will use DHCP to obtain an address, and it must be returned a 10.x.x.x address.
- All MeshNetworks devices (other than the IAP) currently have fixed addresses of 10.0.x.x with a default gateway of 10.0.0.1.
- All Mesh devices (other than the IAP) currently expect a DNS server at the IP address 192.168.50.20. If a DNS server is not available at this address, subscriber device hosts will be unable to resolve web URLs. (This can be overcome by manually setting a DNS server address in the TCP/IP configuration for the subscriber device host. See Notes in Appendix B.)
- A VPN needs to be set up between the Network Operator and MeshNetworks' Support group.

5.3 MiSC Assembly

The MiSC hardware consists of commercial off-the-shelf components. The components are pre-configured with a basic configuration which requires minimal site-specific changes.

The SMC switch arrives configured as two virtual LANs. The upper row of Ethernet ports is for the server subnet; the lower row of ports is for the wireless subnet.

Unpack the SMC switch and mount as desired (either in a rack or on a table top). Connect the switch to a power source.

Unpack the Cisco router labeled “EdgeRTR” and connect to a power source. Plug interface labeled “10BT Ethernet” into the ISP router using a crossover Ethernet cable. Plug interface labeled “10/100 Ethernet” into the SMC switch on port 1.

Unpack the Cisco router labeled “CoreRTR” and connect to a power source. Plug interface labeled “10BT Ethernet” into switch port 12. Plug interface labeled “10/100 Ethernet” into the SMC switch on port 24.

Unpack the SunBlade/MeshManager server and monitor and connect to a power source. Plug the network interface into any of the ports 2-11 on the SMC Switch.

Connect Network Operator supplied computer running Window 2000. Plug the network interface into any of the ports 2-11 on the SMC Switch.

Apply power to each of the devices.

5.4 Onsite Configuration of Routers

5.4.1 EdgeRTR Configuration

The EdgeRTR must have on-site configuration done in order to connect to the Internet. Prior to performing the following steps, obtain the IP address, netmask, and default gateway for the public interface from the Internet Service Provider. These are shown as *ip.ip.ip.ip*, *nm.nm.nm.nm*, and *gw.gw.gw.gw*, respectively, in the instructions below. Also, obtain the IP address of the edgeRTR, it will be in the form of 172.xx.0.1.

Telnet into the EdgeRTR from a computer connected to the server subnet. Use the address 172.xx.0.1 to connect to the EdgeRTR.

Update the public IP information using the commands below

```
Password:g0ld1.
```

```
EdgeRTR>enable
```

```
password:g0ld1.
```

```
EdgeRTR#configure terminal
```

Enter configuration commands, one per line. End with CNTL/Z.

```
EdgeRTR(config)#interface Ethernet0
```

```
EdgeRTR(config-if)#ip address ip.ip.ip.ip nm.nm.nm.nm
```

```
EdgeRTR(config-if)#exit
```

```
EdgeRTR(config)#no ip route 0.0.0.0 0.0.0.0
```

```
EdgeRTR(config)#ip route 0.0.0.0 0.0.0.0 gw.gw.gw.gw
```

```
EdgeRTR(config)#exit
```

```
EdgeRTR#write memory
```

```

Building configuration...
!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!![OK]
EdgeRTR#copy running-config startup-config
Destination filename [startup-config]? <return>
Building configuration...
!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!![OK]
EdgeRTR#exit

```

Connect the IAPs to any of the ports 13-23.

5.4.2 EdgeRTR TEST

Use a computer connected to the switch (in either the server or wireless subnet) to ping to the ISP gateway IP. Next, test access to the Internet using a web browser. If this fails troubleshoot and retry.

Obtain the VPN peer address and the appropriate pre-shared key for the VPN.

5.4.3 CoreRTR Configuration

The CoreRTR must have on-site configuration performed to allow remote management of the wireless devices. During this exercise, the wireless subnet address of each of the wireless devices is mapped to a server subnet address.

The wireless address is of the form 10.0.x.y. The value of “x” is obtained from the ID number found on the WMC, IAP or WR. The value of “y” is either 1 or 2; 1 indicates the host device and 2 indicates the transceiver. Note that a SD and IAP have both a host device and an transceiver, however a WR has a transceiver but not a host device.

The server subnet address is of the form 172.a.b.c. The value of ‘a’ is supplied by MeshNetworks as part of the VPN setup. The default value is 31. The value of ‘b’ is the same as the ‘x’ in the wireless address. Likewise, the value of ‘c’ is the same as the ‘y’ in the wireless address.

For example, if there is an IAP with an id number of 69, the wireless subnet addresses for it will be 10.0.69.1 and 10.0.69.2. MeshNetworks supplies the second value in the server subnet address; this example will use the value of 22. The server subnet address corresponding to the wireless subnet address will be 172.22.69.1 and 172.22.69.2, respectively. The table below shows the address mapping which must be done for each IAP, WR and SD. A generic “xx” is used in the server subnet address since it is a site-dependent value.

Telnet to the CoreRTR from a computer connected to the server subnet. Use the address 172.xx.0.2 to connect to the CoreRTR. Update the NAT information using the commands below:

```

CoreRTR>
CoreRTR>enable
Password:<password>
CoreRTR#configure terminal

```

Table 1. Static NAT Mapping for an IAP, WR and SD

Wireless Subnet Address	Server Subnet Address	Device Type
10.0.201.1	172.xx.201.1	SD #1 Host
10.0.201.2	172.xx.201.2	SD #1 XCVR
10.0.100.2	172.xx.100.2	WR #1 XCVR
10.0.69.1	172.xx.69.1	IAP #1 Host
10.0.69.2	172.xx.69.2	IAP #1 XCVR

The following commands show how the example mapping is done. The commands must be repeated for each device in the network. The actual address values will be based on the equipment which is shipped in the kit.

```
CoreRTR#configure terminal
Enter configuration commands, one per line. End with CNTL/Z
CoreRTR(config)#ip nat inside source static 10.0.201.1 172.xx.201.1 ;#SD Host
CoreRTR(config)#ip nat inside source static 10.0.201.2 172.xx.201.2 ;#SD XCVR
CoreRTR(config)#ip nat inside source static 10.0.100.2 172.xx.100.2 ;#WR XCVR
CoreRTR(config)#ip nat inside source static 10.0.69.1 172.xx.69.1 ;#IAP HOST
CoreRTR(config)#ip nat inside source static 10.0.69.2 172.xx.69.2 ;#IAP XCVR
CoreRTR(config)#exit
CoreRTR#write memory
3d01h: %SYS-5-CONFIG_I: Configured from console by console
Building configuration...
!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!
!![OK]
CoreRTR#copy running-config startup-config
Destination filename [startup-config]? <return>
Building configuration...
!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!
!![OK]
CoreRTR#
```

5.4.4 CoreRTR Test

Test the configuration with MeshNetworks to verify operation of the VPN connection. You should be able to ping specific addresses on MeshNetworks management network.

5.5 Network Configuration

The “Device Manager” is a utility located on the MeshManager server. It is used to configure and monitor the deployed network. The following provides a basic overview for using the Device Manager to perform network setup, refer to the Device Manager User’s Guide for additional information on using this utility.

1. Start Device Manager by clicking on the shortcut key on the desktop
2. Perform initial device discovery:
 - a. Select “**Tools/Network Discovery**”
 - b. Inside the **Wired Range** box select the “**Wildcard**” button, and enter the address **10.0.x.1**
 - c. Inside the **Wireless Range** box, select the **Wildcard** button, and enter the address **10.0.x.2**
 - d. Inside the **Discovery Timeout** box, use the default 3 second SNMP timeout
 - e. Inside the **Configuration Template** box, select “**Autoconfigure**”. Select the desired templates for the IAP, WR and SD.
 - f. Click the “**Start**” button.
3. The devices should now show up in the Device Tree pane on the left side of the window.
4. For each IAP and WR device in the Device Tree pane, double click on the address. This brings up the status in the detailed window.
 - a. Click on the “**Configuration**” tab.
 - b. Enter the appropriate data in the **General** box (Contact, Location, Host Name, Node Name)
5. If the geo location has not previously been entered, enter the latitude, longitude, and altitude in the **Geo Location** box.
6. Enter the IP address to send traps to in the **SNMP** box
7. For each SD device in the Device Tree pane, double click on the address. This brings up the status in the detailed window.
 - a. Click on the “**Configuration**” tab.
 - b. Enter the appropriate data in the **General** box. (Contact, Location, Host Name, Node Name, and Default IAP MAC Address).

- c. If Geo-location is to be demonstrated, then in the **Geo Location** box, select “**Enable Position Calculations**”, and select the default interval of 10 seconds. Select “**Enable Position Reporting**”, select the default interval of 10 seconds. Enter the map server’s IP address.

Note: If Geo-location will not be demonstrated, ensure that both “**Enable Position Calculations**” and “**Enable Position Reporting**” are not checked.

- d. Enter the IP address to send traps to in the **SNMP** box.

8. Close the Device Manager utility.

Once the system components have been installed, there are two basic tests to verify correct operation the system. The first test is to perform ping tests to each device and the second test is to verify access the Internet.

5.6 Testing

5.6.1 Basic MiSC Tests

To verify the basic connectivity of the MiSC, conduct the following from the MeshManager server:

- Ping an IAP
- Ping the NAT Router
- Ping the Edge Router

5.6.2 Wireless System Tests

From Device Manager, complete the following to verify correct operation of the system:

1. Ping the transceiver of the deployed IAPs (10.0.x.2)
 - From the Device Manager drop down menu, select Preferences/Use Transceiver Address
 - For each IAP in the device tree, right click and select **Ping Device**
2. Ping the transceiver of the deployed WRs (10.0.x.2)
 - From the Device Manager drop down menu, select Preferences/Use SBC Address
 - For each WR in the device tree, right click and select **Ping Device**
3. Ping the transceiver of each Subscriber Devices (10.0.x.2)
 - From the Device Manager drop down menu, select Preferences/Use Transceiver Address
 - For each SD in the device tree, right click and select **Ping Device**

5.6.3 Internet Test

If the mea system has been configured to access the Internet, complete the following to verify correct network setup:

1. From a SD, start the web browser and enter a URL such as <http://www.MeshNetworks.com>.

Appendix A Site Selection/Deployment Guidelines

A.1 General Guidelines

The IAP location(s) should be selected first since they have the additional requirement of routing information back to the MiSC. This may be done via an Ethernet cable if the IAP and MiSC are located within 100 meters (the max length permitted for standard Ethernet) of each other. If the distance is greater than 100 meters, a mechanism for extending the Ethernet connection will be required, e.g., using fiber or T1. (MeshNetworks recommends T1 backhaul equipment from Net-to-Net Technologies.)

Once the IAPs have been placed, then the location of the WRs can be determined. Optimally, the devices should be distributed such that a SD has no more than 3 hops to an IAP.

AC power must be available for both IAPs and WRs.

Lastly, any local building/structure codes must be adhered to, as well as proper permits for placing devices on structures that are not owned by the Network Operator (e.g., light poles).

MeshNetworks has developed the “Location Analyzer” tool to assist in the placement of infrastructure. This tool runs on a Win2000 SD. The tool collects and analyzes data, ultimately resulting in a deployment quality indication. Refer to the Location Analyzer documentation for information on configuring and using this tool.

A.2 Antenna Guidelines

The location of fixed infrastructure antennas must address proper antenna orientation, selection of elevation pattern for the specific locale, the avoidance of pattern distortion, and the impact of obscuration and non-line-of-sight paths.

Polarization - Most of the antennas used in deployment will be vertically polarized. To maximize line-of-sight signal reception, both the transmit and receive antenna should be vertically oriented to avoid signal loss due to polarization mismatch. This applies to mobile and stationary antennas. For example, placing a magnetically mounted vehicle antenna on a curved portion of the vehicle roof so that its axis is not vertical risks a measure of signal loss at range, dependent upon the specific elevation pattern details, as discussed above.

Local obstructions - Antennas should be mounted either above or below the plane of obstructions as shown in Figure 9.

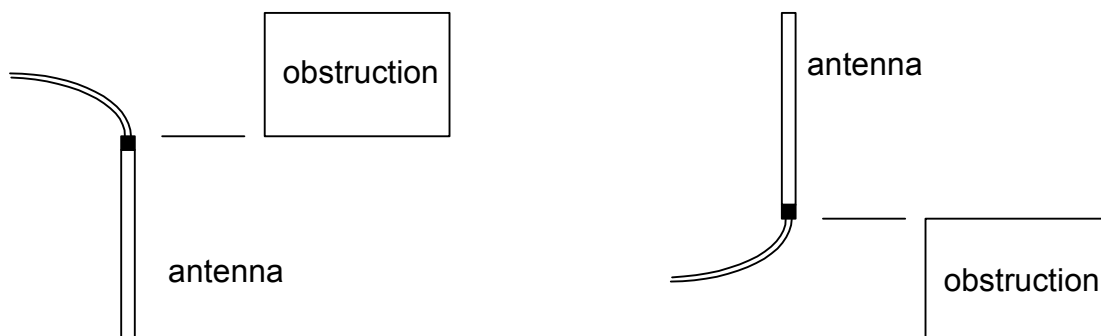


Figure 9. Antenna Mounting

Low gain “rubber duck” antennas that are mounted directly to Mesh transceivers are designed for transmitting and receiving vertically polarized radiation. Hence, care must be taken to insure close-to-vertical orientation of these antennas to avoid substantial signal loss due to polarization mismatch. Additionally, attenuation sustained by use of these antennas inside vehicles can be as high as 10 dB. Typically, losses are in the 4 to 7 dB range if the antenna is above the “metal can” of the vehicle so that radiation and reception occur at window level.

Appendix B Notes

B.1 DNS Server

The Wireless Modem Card returns a fixed IP address (192.168.50.20) to the SD host for the DNS server. If there is no DNS server in the wired network at this address, the SD host will be unable to resolve web URLs such as www.meshnetworks.com. To resolve this, the SD host must be manually configured with a DNS server IP address.

Instructions to setup a Windows 2000 Host:

- a. Start/Settings/Network and Dial-up Connections/Local Area Connection
(choose the Local Area Connection Corresponding to the Wireless Modem Card)
- b. Click on the “**Properties**” button.
- c. Highlight “**Internet Protocol (TCP/IP)**” in the Components window.
- d. Click on the “**Properties**” button.
- e. Click on the “**Advanced**” button.
- f. Click on the “**DNS**” tab
- g. Click on the DNS “**Add**” button.
- h. Enter the “DNS Server IP Address” provided by the local network administrator and then click the “**Add**” button.
- i. Click the “**OK**” button to close the Advanced TCP/IP Settings windows.
- j. Click the “**OK**” button to close the Internet Protocol (TCP/IP) Properties windows.
- k. Click the “**OK**” button to close the Local Area Connection Properties windows.
- l. Click the “**Close**” button to close the Local Area Connection Status window.

This configuration should remain in the Windows 2000 host.

B.2 Tera Term Pro

Tera Term Pro is a free-ware software emulation program that has more capabilities than HyperTerminal (which is provided with the standard Windows suite of applications). It is recommended that Tera Term be obtained so that in the event that MeshNetworks needs to assist the Network Operator with advanced debugging, there is a common utility in place.

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