

References: [BTL Testing Policies-15.1.fi.pdf](#)

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☒ All Actions Necessitated have been Completed

Background:

Testing Policies changes in section 2.2 recent version [BTL Testing Policies-15.1.fi.pdf](#): explicitly adding (see **phrase in bold**):

The BTL Testing process requires that applicants completely and accurately complete the BTL Functionality Checklist. The checklist is not the set of functionality that the applicant wants tested; it is the set of functionality implemented in the device.

All functionality implemented in the product shall be claimed in the checklist, including partial implementations.

Problem:

I am hesitant to claim support for the Ethernet Datalink layer and have BTL test it since we do not sell this to new customers (we consider Ethernet deprecated). We only want them on IP. We use the Cimetrics stack, so it supports that datalink type and we do have a couple legacy customers that use it because our old workstation supported it. So from a compliance perspective is it ok that we do not claim Ethernet support? We are not trying to be sneaky by not claiming it.

Another example might be any vendor that uses an off the shelf communication stack (Cimetrics) might be getting a ton more functionality from that stack than they want or need in their product. When they list their product, they should not have to claim all functionality the stack is capable of, just the functionality they want to promise to their customers.

Question:

- 1) is not claiming support for the Ethernet Datalink layer (or other functionality from that stack that is not want or need in their product) allowed and thus have BTL not test it?
- 2) Is there another intended mechanism for indicating desire to have BTL not mention it on the Listing?

Response:

- 1) No.
- 2) No

The BTL Listing needs to completely and accurately identify all BACnet functionality in the product. However, a manufacturer may choose to not publicize deprecated functionality within their own literature.