

ABSTRACT

**A METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR REDUCING LINK INTERFERENCE BY A
LINK BETWEEN A USER EQUIPMENT COMPONENT AND AN ACCESS
5 NETWORK COMPONENT**

A method and apparatus are described for reducing link interference by a link between a user
equipment component and an access network component. The user equipment component
and access network component are connected by links over dedicated channels in respective
10 directions, the link channel power in the first direction being controlled by the link channel in
the second direction. A component sends in a second direction a link connection release
message for a link connection in the first direction, identifies when the link connection in the
first direction is released and, when the release is identified, releases the link connection in
the second direction.

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[Figure 1]