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DATA RATE (Mbits/s)	MODE	FEC RATE	PPDU LENGTH (bytes)	FER	PSNI
1	DSSS	no FEC	125	10% +/-0.2%	24 +/- 10
2	DSSS	no FEC	1250	10% +/-0.2%	49 +/- 10
5.5	HRDSSS	no FEC	1250	10% +/-0.2%	76 +/- 10
5.5	HRDSSS	1/2	1250	10% +/-0.2%	44 +/- 10
6	OFDM	1/2	1250	10% +/-0.2%	46 +/- 10
9	OFDM	3/4	1250	10% +/-0.2%	62 +/- 10
11	HRDSSS	no FEC	1250	10% +/-0.2%	94 +/- 10
11	HRDSSS	1/2	1250	10% +/-0.2%	62 +/- 10
12	OFDM	1/2	1250	10% +/-0.2%	64 +/- 10
18	OFDM	3/4	1250	10% +/-0.2%	80 +/- 10
24	OFDM	1/2	1250	10% +/-0.2%	106 +/- 10
36	OFDM	3/4	1250	10% +/-0.2%	122 +/- 10
48	OFDM	2/3	1250	10% +/-0.2%	155 +/- 10
54	OFDM	3/4	1250	10% +/-0.2%	160 +/- 10

(57) Abstract: Method and apparatus of network management using a perceived indicator to provide physical layer measurements in a multitude of stations in the network, either by way of radio frequency power, or observed signal to noise plus interference (PSNI) from each access point, to report the measurements, to collect the measurements, and using the reported PSNI values as a signal quality indicator of delivered bit error rate or frame error rate (FER) to evaluate, reconfigure, and manage multiple stations in order to optimize the network or network performance.

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