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This Standard is another in the series of communications protocols that describe how to transport Tables (defined in ANSI C12.19, "Utility Industry End Device Data Tables"). Because this Standard describes a protocol that operates over networks, it is necessarily more complex than the simple point-to-point protocols defined in ANSI C12.18 and ANSI C12.21, but the committee has done as much as practical to smooth the transition from those earlier standards.

This Standard describes three different but related uses. One is the operation of the protocol over the network that all C12.22 Nodes implement. The second is an optionally exposed point-to-point interface between a C12.22 Device, e.g., a meter, and, a C12.22 Communications Module, e.g., a network adaptor. The third is the capture, translation and transmission of one way device messages (blurts).

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