# BGP Shutdown Communication

job@ntt.net / @JobSnijders

**NTT Communications** 

## Communication can be a challenge...



## LIGHT THE BEACONS OF MAINTENANCE



BGP Shutdown Communication, RIPE 74

IDR

Internet-Draft

Updates: 4486 (if approved)

Intended status: Standards Track

Expires: August 4, 2017

J. Snijders

J. Heitz Cisco

J. Scudder Juniper

January 31, 2017

https://tools.ietf.org/html/draft-ietf-idr-shutdown

### BGP Administrative Shutdown Communication draft-ietf-idr-shutdown-05

#### Abstract

This document enhances the BGP Cease NOTIFICATION message "Administrative Shutdown" and "Administrative Reset" subcodes for operators to transmit a short freeform message to describe why a BGP session was shutdown or reset.

#### Requirements Language

The key words "MUST", "MUST NOT", "REQUIRED", "SHALL", "SHALL NOT", "SHOULD", "SHOULD NOT", "RECOMMENDED", "MAY", and "OPTIONAL" in this document are to be interpreted as described in [RFC2119].

Subcode: the Error Subcode value MUST be one of the following values: 2 ("Administrative Shutdown") or 4 ("Administrative Reset").

Length: this 8-bit field represents the length of the Shutdown Communication field in octets. The length value MUST range from 0 to 128 inclusive. When the length value is zero, no Shutdown Communication field follows.

Shutdown Communication: to support international characters, the Shutdown Communication field MUST be encoded using UTF-8. A receiving BGP speaker MUST NOT interpret invalid UTF-8 sequences. Note that when the Shutdown Communication contains multibyte characters, the number of characters will be less than the length value.

Mechanisms concerning the reporting of information contained in the Shutdown Communication are implementation specific but SHOULD include methods such as SYSLOG (PEC54241

# Sending a shutdown communication

[job@kiera ~]\$ bgpctl neighbor 165.254.255.24 down \

"[TICKET-1-1438367390] we are upgrading to openbsd 6.1, be back in 30 minutes"

request processed

## On the receiving side:

```
Jan 8 19:28:54 shutdown bgpd[50719]: neighbor
165.254.255.26: received notification:
    Cease, administratively down
```

```
Jan 8 19:28:54 shutdown bgpd[50719]: neighbor 165.254.255.26: received shutdown reason: "[TICKET-1-1438367390] we are upgrading to openbsd 6.1, be back in 30 minutes"
```

```
job@kiera# clear bgp ipv4 unicast \
     165.254.255.24 \
     "[TICKET-1-2389234] Hopefully clearing a BGP wedgie"
```

## Implementations so far...















**IETF Status:** 

**IETF Last call** 

Believed to be in the works? ...









## And yes, UTF-8 / UNICODE works too...

