

## **EXHIBIT 2**

9. In a communication system having a physical layer, data link layer, and a network layer, a method for providing cryptographic protection of a data stream, comprising:
  - (a) assigning a packet sequence number to a packet derived from a data stream received from the network layer;
  - (b) updating a transmit overflow sequence number as a function of the packet sequence number; and
  - (c) encrypting, prior to communicating the packet and the packet sequence number on the physical layer, the packet as a function of the packet sequence number and the transmit overflow sequence number.