

CPRI response to IEEE 802.1 Liaison Statement

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Dear Mr. Parsons,

The CPRI cooperation thanks IEEE for the opportunity to participate in the IEEE 802.1 meeting in Berlin. We hope that the presentation of the CPRI cooperation and the discussions thereafter were useful for understanding the demanding requirements of the fronthaul transport.

We welcome the initiative of IEEE 802.1 to determine the need for enhancements to Ethernet to meet fronthaul related challenges by considering a new work item.

While appreciating the offer to participate in the upcoming 802.1 meeting in Pittsburgh we are sorry to inform you that it fully overlaps with our CPRI TWG meeting in Stockholm on May 20-21 making attendance a real challenge.

To progress with the discussions and to avoid bigger delays we'd like to propose IEEE 802.1 to share the outcome of the considerations of the Pittsburgh meeting with CPRI, followed by a conference call for discussion of our comments and proposals. CPRI cooperation is also willing to adjust its June TWG call schedule in order to prepare the finalized comments and proposals for IEEE 802.1 without delay after the joint conference call.

Looking forward for fruitful cooperation.