

IEEE P802.3bm 40 Gb/s and 100 Gb/s Fiber Optic Task Force Informal Communication

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Dear Mr Wilson and members of INCITS TC T11,

The IEEE P802.3bm Task Force is chartered to develop specifications which include a 100 Gb/s Physical Layer (PHY) specification for operation over four-lane multimode fiber cables, making use of the Reed-Solomon Forward Error Correction (RS-FEC) sublayer defined by the P802.3bj Task Force. Further information regarding the Task Force and project may be found at <http://www.ieee802.org/3/bm/index.html>.

We would like to provide you with an update regarding the status of the IEEE P802.3bm project as it may be of interest to the INCITS T11 Technical Committee and its Task Groups.

Recently, the Task Force completed its fifth review of the draft. This draft is attached. Please note that this draft is a work in progress and its detailed content is expected to evolve through completion of the Working Group ballot process and the subsequent Sponsor ballot process. We understand that access to this draft will be restricted to members of T11 and its associated Task Groups, and appreciate your protecting access to this document.

Sincerely,

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