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Subject: Liaison to IEC RE: IEC 60793-2-50 2018

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Dear Mr. Elisson,

The IEEE P802.3cn Task Force is developing specifications defining 50 Gb/s, 200 Gb/s, and 400 Gb/s Ethernet operation over at least 40 km of SMF over single-mode fiber. The Task Force's webpage is at the following URL: <http://www.ieee802.org/3/cn/index.html>.

The Task Force just completed its first Working Group Ballot on D2.0, and submitted comments were considered at the IEEE 802.3 May 2019 interim. The webpage for this Task Force meeting may be found at [http://www.ieee802.org/3/cn/public/19\\_05/index.html](http://www.ieee802.org/3/cn/public/19_05/index.html).

One comment submitted noted that IEC 60793-2-50 2018 had updated single-mode fiber (SMF) naming convention to be more in line with ITU-T. The IEEE 802.3 Ethernet Working Group does not have access to this standard for its participants to confirm that proposed changes to the IEEE P802.3cn Draft 2.0 will properly align with the updated IEC 60793-2-50

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2018 SMF naming convention. Therefore, we would like to request that IEC forward a copy of IEC 60793-2-50 2018 for the IEEE 802.3 Ethernet Working Group to share with its participants.

The IEEE 802.3 Ethernet Working Group would like to thank IEC for its consideration of this liaison. Such interactions between industry bodies will only serve to improve the overall community. We look forward to continued cooperation with IEC.

Sincerely,

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