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**Subject: Update on the progress of the Ethernet in the First Mile Task Force**

Dear Chairmen, Members of Committee T1E1.4,

The IEEE 802.3ah "Ethernet in the First Mile" Task Force wishes to thank you for your continued interest in their work and for the information you provided in your liaison letter of February 26, 2002.

The Task Force held its fourth meeting this week (March 12-14) in St. Louis, MO. The goal of this meeting, was to adopt a suite of baseline presentations, that will lead to the creation of a first draft of our standard.

The adopted baseline presentations concerning the PHY for point-to-point copper are available for download at following URLs:

- [http://www.ieee802.org/3/efm/public/mar02/marris\\_1\\_0302.pdf](http://www.ieee802.org/3/efm/public/mar02/marris_1_0302.pdf)
- [http://www.ieee802.org/3/efm/public/mar02/fosmark\\_1\\_0302.pdf](http://www.ieee802.org/3/efm/public/mar02/fosmark_1_0302.pdf)
- [http://www.ieee802.org/3/efm/public/mar02/simon\\_1\\_0302.pdf](http://www.ieee802.org/3/efm/public/mar02/simon_1_0302.pdf)

In addition, two other presentations specifying the PMA and PMD sublayers were reviewed, but neither was adopted by the Task Force at this meeting:

- [http://www.ieee802.org/3/efm/public/mar02/rezvani\\_1\\_0302.pdf](http://www.ieee802.org/3/efm/public/mar02/rezvani_1_0302.pdf)
- [http://www.ieee802.org/3/efm/public/mar02/wei\\_1\\_0302.pdf](http://www.ieee802.org/3/efm/public/mar02/wei_1_0302.pdf)

At the next meeting, the Task Force will continue to review proposals that further specify the lower sublayers of the PHY for point-to-point copper. We encourage T1E1.4 to keep us informed of their activities in this domain.

Regards,

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