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Thank you for forwarding your Liaison Statement letter of January 31, 2003 covering your activities in Q.2/15 and specifically, G.985 “100 Mbit/s point-to-point Ethernet based optical access system”.

The IEEE 802.3ah Task Force wishes to thank the ITU for their letter clarifying the distinction between a G.985 defined optical access system including an Optical Distribution Network and an 802.3ah EFM Clause 60 device. We would like to note that the devices specified by G.985 are outside of the scope of the IEEE 802.3 Working Group and therefore we cannot offer any guarantee regarding conflict with such specifications at present or in the future.

We appreciate your commitment to the consideration of the IEEE P802.3ah EFM OAM on any other Q.2/15 Ethernet frame based access proposals, including point to multi-point versions as well as point to point, that come before your group. In order to facilitate this process, we have attached our latest IEEE P802.3ah/Draft 1.414 to this letter, and will continue to forward future copies of our draft through our liaison representative, Frank Effenberger.

Attachment:

[1] [IEEE P802.3ah/Draft 1.414](#)