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Gentlemen:

In the May 2000 TIA meeting TR41.5 voted to send the draft standard PN-4657, "A Physical Layer Specification for 1000Mb/s operation over Category 6 Balanced Twisted Pair Cabling", to committee ballot. In addition to TR41.5 members TIA will be soliciting comments from other industry sources including IEEE 802.3 members. Those interested in participating in the ballot must register on-line at www.tiaonline.org/standards/sfg/ballots. If you have any questions about the ballot contact Billie Zidek-Conner at (703) 907-7706.

The standard is an alternate implementation of a 1000BASE-T physical layer specification for 1000Mb/s over copper cabling. The terminology used in the standard is different from that used in a IEEE 802.3 standard. In the best interest of users of this standard we request the permission from IEEE to use the same terms as those used in IEEE 802.3 standards.

We would appreciate your consideration in this request and any comments to the standard.

Regards,

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