MMF ad hoc report

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MMF ad hoc activity since York meeting

- Four MMF ad hoc calls: Sept 19th, Oct 8th, 24th, Nov 6th, 2013.
 - Meeting minutes and presented materials are available on the 40G &
 100G FOTF website: http://www.ieee802.org/3/bm/public/mmfadhoc/index.html
- Highlights: Having achieved a technically complete draft spec, we are now in a phase of fine tuning.
 - We have agreed a list of topics for finalization
 - We have started to address these topics, several presentations have been reviewed:
 - 100GBASE-SR4 link penalties vs ER: MNP, MPN, RIN, Jonathan King, 8th Oct 2013
 - Modal noise in 100GBASE-SR4, Piers Dawe, 24th Oct 2013
 - Modal noise in 100GBASE-SR4 update, Piers Dawe, 6th Nov 2013
 - So far, we have agreed that the lower (2 dB) ER spec does not require a change to the allocation for mode partition noise, and that any change of RIN penalty at lower ER is controlled by the TDP spec.
- Further work:
 - Continue the work to finalize the 100GBASE-SR4 standard.
- Next meetings: yes... dates TBD

List of topics for finalization

- Reference transmitter RIN specification
- The difference between TDP and Allocation for penalties
- The offset for 'Tx OMA min' spec vs the 'Tx OMA minus TDP' spec (currently 0.9 dB)
- Longer wavelength capable receivers
- TDP filter currently includes effect of bandwidth due to spectral width should it be removed?
- In the SRS test, the VECP definition currently includes some of the noise in the eye, should this change for an FEC supported link?
- Review TDP limit to be sure it is a safe predictor of Tx performance.
- Tx eye-mask spec review
- Review relaxed (2dB) ER spec. for signal borne noise:
 - Mode partition noise no change to allocation required.
 - RIN captured as part of TDP, no change to allocation required.
 - Modal noise further analysis is on-going, but any change for ER is expected to be small.