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Dear Mr. Tracy and members of OIF,

Thank you for your liaison letter concerning the OIF Flex Ethernet Implementation Agreement.

Concerning the request for an ordered set "O" code to be used for Flex Ethernet Overhead, as we previously indicated, we intend to introduce documentation for the OIF use of this code through a maintenance request. This maintenance request has been considered by the Maintenance Task Force and is now considered "ready for ballot". It will remain in this state until the next IEEE 802.3 revision project unless there is an earlier amendment that has reason to update this text. The current status can be found at:

[http://www.ieee802.org/3/maint/requests/revision\\_history.html#REQ1291](http://www.ieee802.org/3/maint/requests/revision_history.html#REQ1291)

We appreciate being kept informed of this new work, and look forward to continued collaboration with OIF on this and other topics.

Sincerely,

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