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Dear Mr. Otto and members of the OIF,

Thank you for your update on the status of the 400ZR IA Maintenance Project.

As previously communicated, the IEEE P802.3cw Task Force has recognized the importance of developing a specification to address inter-channel crosstalk, and formed the Optical Crosstalk Ad hoc to analyze these impacts and develop a methodology to specify them. The latest Information regarding the IEEE P802.3cw Optical Crosstalk Ad hoc may be found at <https://www.ieee802.org/3/cw/public/adhoc/index.html>

We would appreciate the OIF sharing its future baseline draft specification for the 400 ZR Maintenance IA.

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IEEE P802.3cw draft 1.0 was released on April x, 2021, and the Task Force has begun its Task Force Review and will begin work towards a technically complete draft. We are happy to provide you with a copy of this draft. We request that this be shared only with your membership.

Any individuals wishing to participate in this Task Force may find additional information at [IEEE 802.3 Ethernet Working Group](#). We appreciate your cooperation in past efforts and look forward to continued dialogue. Such interactions between industry bodies only serves to improve the overall community.

Sincerely,

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