

June 29, 2016

To: John D'Ambrosia and members of the IEEE P802.3bs 400 Gb/s Ethernet Task Force, Mark Nowell and members of the IEEE P802.3cd 50G Ethernet over a single lane, Next Generation 100 Gb/s and 200 Gb/s Ethernet Task Force, Tom Palkert and members of the INCITS T11.2 (Fibre Channel) Committee

cc: David Law (IEEE 802.3 WG Chair), Pete Anslow (IEEE 802.3 WG Secretary) and members of the IEEE 802.3

Subject: Progress on OIF CEI-56G Projects

From: Nathan Tracy, OIF Technical Committee Chair (ntracy@te.com)

Dear Messrs. D'Ambrosia, Nowell and Palkert,

At our 2Q2016 meeting in Prague, we have completed resolution of comments received on the previous ballots and agreed to issue the updated draft texts for an additional straw ballot. We are pleased to attach the latest drafts of the CEI-56G-MR-PAM4, CEI-56G-VSR-PAM4 and CEI-56G-LR-PAM4 implementation agreements which we understand may be relevant to your work.

As you review the drafts, please consider that the solutions are in the process of iterative review and technical changes may still occur prior to finalization of these implementation agreements.

We request that you acknowledge the OIF in any derivative work.

Sincerely,

Nathan Tracy, OIF Technical Committee Chair (<u>ntracy@te.com</u>) Attachments: oif2014.230.07, oif2014.245.07, oif2014.380.03