

Thank you for your Email.

TIA, as an ANSI member, does generate a Project Initiation Notice System (PINS) form which ANSI then places in Standards Action in order to give notice to others, including other SDOs, of the initiation of a new work item. ANSI also used to send PINS to the appropriate ANSI Standards Boards (SB) but Standards Boards who do not self fund their efforts appear to be dissolving.

It is TIA's understanding that IEEE is currently giving higher priority to a Gigabit standard and thus was not interested in developing a 100 Mb/s at 850 nm. We understand that there are IEEE standards at various stages for 10 Mb/s at 850 nm, 100 Mb/s at 1300 nm, and 1 Gb/s at 850 or 1300 nm.

Some vendors have an immediate need to develop a 100 Mb/s at 850 nm, and it does fit into the scope of FO-2.2 chaired by Don Knasel (Corning). Participants in ANSI-accredited SDOs often have choices of where American National Standards should be generated.

TIA often works closely with many other SDOs on areas where potential work may fall into the scope of one or more SDOs. We have even issued Joint Standards (i.e., J-STD) with other SDOs. We do desire to avoid duplication of work, but in this instance we are not aware of any project at IEEE for such a standard.

A copy of TIA's cooperation statement can be found in our ANSI-accredited Engineering Manual on the TIA web site at www.tiaonline.org.

By copy of this Email, I am asking Don Knasel to issue a liaison to you in the event you or IEEE have input on this TIA standards project.

We appreciate your interest in TIA standards work.

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