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The members of Q2/15 would like to thank IEEE 802.3 for their liaison statement of January. The group considers the development of common optical specifications for optical access networks very important and useful for the industry.

Q2 has only now begun its considerations of future wavelength plans. This is being done as part of a project to develop a supplement text that reviews possible technologies for higher than 10 Gb/s per wavelength. At this stage, the supplement has developed only the modulation techniques section, and a consensus view on wavelength choices has not developed. Q2 is not in a position to comment on particular wavelength plan options at this time. In our next face to face meeting in Kobe, April 26-27, we expect more contributions and discussion on this topic. However, the coexistence capability of future PON systems with existing PON systems (e.g., G-PON, XG(S)-PON, and NGPON2) is a highly prized feature.

The membership of Q2 will continue to work on these issues. We will share any new findings with the 802.3ca group via liaisons and/or company contributions when available.