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Dear Mr. Kelly,

Thank you for your liaison letter informing the IEEE 802.3 Ethernet Working Group of the activity of the JEDEC JESD204C Task Group and the request to use IEEE 802.3 text pertaining to the use of channel operating margin (COM) in the JESD204C standard.

The IEEE-SA copyright policy can be found at <https://standards.ieee.org/ipr/copyright.html>, and as detailed there, permission to use content from an IEEE 802.3 standard has to be obtained from the IEEE Standards Department <[stds.ipr@ieee.org](mailto:stds.ipr@ieee.org)>.

Your letter mentions IEEE Std 802.3-2008, and further correspondence indicates that JESD204C would like to add IEEE Std 802.3-2012 and IEEE Std 802.3bj-2014 to the list of references. Please note that IEEE Std 802.3-2008, IEEE Std 802.3-2012, and IEEE Std 802.3bj-2014 have all been superseded by IEEE Std 802.3-2015 and its approved amendments. Specifically, the IEEE Std 802.3by-2016 amendment has modified Annex 93A, which specifies COM.

We would like to bring to your attention that two IEEE 802.3 draft standards, IEEE P802.3bs draft D3.1 Draft Standard for Ethernet Amendment: Media Access Control Parameters, Physical Layers and Management Parameters for 200 Gb/s and 400 Gb/s Operation and

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IEEE P802.3cd draft D1.3 Draft Standard for Ethernet Amendment: Media Access Control Parameters for 50 Gb/s and Physical Layers and Management Parameters for 50 Gb/s, 100 Gb/s, and 200 Gb/s Operation, also include changes to Annex 93A to support PAM4 signaling at 26.6 GBd. Please be aware that this is a work in progress and is subject to change as the work progresses through subsequent review and ballot cycles. We have attached copies of these draft amendments. We request that these be shared only with your membership.

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

Sincerely,  
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Chair, IEEE 802.3 Ethernet Working Group