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To: David Law and members of the IEEE 802.3 Ethernet Working Group  
cc: John D'Ambrosia – IEEE P802.3ct Task Force Chair

Subject: 400ZR Interop Project

From: Ed Frlan, OIF Technical Committee Chair ([efrlan@semtech.com](mailto:efrlan@semtech.com))

Dear Mr. Law and participants of IEEE 802.3 Working Group,

We thank the IEEE for the 23<sup>rd</sup> January 2020 liaison letter to the OIF informing us on the IEEE P802.3ct project status and the pending P802.3cw project status.

The OIF Q1 Technical and MA&E Committees meetings were held in New Orleans, LA from February 11<sup>th</sup> through February 13<sup>th</sup>. At this meeting we determined to send oif2017.245.15 to principal member ballot. We also addressed other matters that will be included in a maintenance release including operation on a 75GHz grid, EVM, and defining ZR+ applications and requirements.

We would also like to inform you that as part of our continuing work on 400ZR we are we planning an interoperability demonstration at OFC, which will include multiple system, module, and test equipment vendors. The demonstration will be held in the OIF booth

We very much appreciate our ability to liaise with the IEEE P802.3ct and look forward to sharing information with the future IEEE P802.3cw Task Force as we continue to develop the 400ZR IA. Attached please find the current 400ZR IA draft (oif2017.245.15). We would appreciate any comments and information you can share with us. Our next meeting is in Porto Portugal the week of May 11<sup>th</sup> – 15<sup>th</sup> 2020.

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