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Dear Mr. Emplit,

We would like to update you on several IEEE 802.3 working group activities for applications using 1-pair balanced twisted-pair cabling. The activities and current status is listed below:

1. IEEE Std 802.3bp-2016 1000BASE-T1 providing 1 Gb/s over up to at least 15 m and up to at least 40 m of 1-pair balanced cabling (published 2016)
2. IEEE Std 802.3bw-2015 100BASE-T1 providing 100 Mb/s over up to 15 m 1-pair balanced cabling (published 2016)
3. IEEE P802.3bu Power over Data Lines over 1-pair balanced cabling (draft 3.1 now in sponsor ballot, attached herewith)
4. IEEE 802.3 10SPE study group for 10 Mb/s over 1-pair balanced cabling with a target reach up to approximately 1 km (developing objectives and CSD, information available at http://www.ieee802.org/3/10SPE/index.html)

Additionally, the 802.3 working group has received a request for a call for interest on a Multi-Gigabit Automotive Ethernet PHY at its November 2016 plenary. This is the first step in the IEEE 802 process towards a new standards project. Further information is available at http://www.ieee802.org/3/cfi/request_1116_1.html.

We understand that TIA TR42 is considering the support of 1-pair balanced twisted-pair applications and the development of 1-pair balanced twisted-pair cabling specifications. We would therefore welcome the opportunity to collaborate on projects in this area.

As listed above, some of the IEEE 802.3 projects have reached completion, others are in progress, and some are just starting. It is important that IEEE 802.3 and TIA TR42 establish good collaboration so these activities are well coordinated. Please let us know if you have any questions and if you need any further information on these activities.

We look forward to cooperating with you in these projects.

Sincerely,

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