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Dear Roberto:

I would like to provide some information regarding the progress of the coexistence work at last week's IEEE 802.16 session.

During the session, IEEE 802.16's Task Group 2 reviewed comments on Draft 2 of its amendment to our published Recommended Practice (IEEE Std 802.16.2). We have issued Draft 3 (P802.16.2a/D3) for a final Working Group Recirculation Ballot. If this is successful, we have been approved to submit it to the IEEE Standards Association for IEEE "Sponsor Ballot," in which the draft will be reviewed by experts outside of our Working Group. You are welcome to review Draft 3 also, and we welcome your comments on it during Sponsor Ballot.

For your additional information, Draft 7 of the IEEE 802.16a air interface standard, for fixed broadband wireless access in licensed and license-exempt bands in the 2-11 GHz frequency range, is completing Sponsor Ballot. If the current recirculation is successful, the draft will be submitted in December to the IEEE Standards Association for final approval and publication.

Also, the IEEE 802 LAN/MAN Standards Committee has approved PAR 802.16e http://ieee802.org/16/docs/02/80216-02_48r3.pdf to amend IEEE Std 802.16/802.16a to support "Combined Fixed and Mobile Operation" in Licensed Bands between 2 and 6 GHz. Final approval to proceed with this work lies with the IEEE Standards Association Standards Board in December.

Sincerely,

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