## IEEE 802.3 Ethernet Working Group Liaison Communication

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Dear Mr. Johnston,

To follow up with our recent discussions regarding Power over Ethernet (and other IEEE 802.3 technologies, which from time to time will be of relevance to both NFPA® and IEEE 802.3), we agree that enhanced communication would serve both interest groups well. To effect this, we would like to establish a liaison between the NEC® Correlating Committee

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and the IEEE 802.3 Ethernet Working Group. Dr. George Zimmerman and Mr. Chad Jones have been appointed as Liaison Officers.

These liaison officers will communicate IEEE 802.3 information, and are not representing the IEEE or IEEE-SA as a whole.

The IEEE 802.3 Working Group currently has at least two active Task Forces which may be of interest, the IEEE P802.3bt DTE Power via MDI over 4-Pair Task Force (Power over Ethernet), chaired by Mr. Jones, and the IEEE P802.3cg 10 Mb/ps Single Twisted Pair Ethernet Task Force, chaired by Dr. Zimmerman. While the draft of IEEE P802.3bt is technically complete and is well into our balloting phase, IEEE P802.3cg is at a much earlier stage, developing an initial draft for Task Force review. The IEEE P802.3cg scope includes both data transmission and associated powering in a variety of environments, with special focus on industrial environments.

We look forward to a beneficial collaboration between our two organizations.

Sincerely,

**David Law** 

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