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Dear Colleagues,

The IEEE 802.1 Working Group (WG) would like to thank you for your response dated November 3, 2025, to our liaison request dated July 31, 2025. We recognize the effort required to prepare a detailed technical liaison reply and appreciate your engagement. To support efficient and streamlined communication between our organizations, we would like to supplement our original liaison with an additional enquiry so that you may, if you wish, address both matters in a single response.

Our ongoing [AI Computing Network](#) (AICN) study item has identified scale-up network architectures as an important area of consideration for IEEE 802.1. We noted with interest that [UEC has announced](#) its intention to enhance the performance of small messages and address the needs of scale-up networks by extending the Ultra Ethernet Transport defined in the 1.0 specification.

We would appreciate information on the technical relationship between IEEE 802 networks and your planned improvements for small-message performance and scale-up network support.

We would also appreciate early communication from you on your efforts that may influence IEEE 802 networks.

Note that the IEEE 802 work is open and contribution driven. Participation is on an individual basis and technical discussion can be conducted based on individual contributions. We meet at Plenary and Interim sessions and hold electronic meetings between sessions as listed in the WG calendar: <https://1.ieee802.org/wg-calendar/>.

Respectfully submitted,
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