

To: Mr. E. Schimmel
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Dear Sirs,

IEEE P802.11 is concerned with the development of a standard for Wireless Medium Access Control and Physical Layer specifications for Local Area Networks. The project authorization was approved in the beginning of the year 1991.

You will find the Project Authorization Request attached to this letter (doc: IEEE P802.11/91-58).

The Functional requirements of the parent committee (IEEE Project 802) state, amongst others, that the data rate be above 1 million bits per second. The experts working in this standards committee, working under the auspices of the IEEE Computer Society have agreed that such rate is required to satisfy the user requirements of data processing equipment.

At the time of the preparation of the Project Authorization Request we were not aware of the work of the Telecommunications Industry Association on wireless communications and have therefore not mentioned the TIA as a required body for co-ordination of work.

I have understood that you are indeed working on wireless communications and have considered to satisfy data processing needs. To prevent duplication of efforts and to prevent exclusion of each others needs, I propose that our two organizations start to co-ordinate work.

The next meeting of IEEE P802.11 will take place May 10-13, 1993. I would like to propose that you send me all the information I need to bring the issue of co-ordination between TIA and IEEE P802's wireless standards work to the committee so we can establish the required liaison.

We look forward to receive your response.

Sincerely yours,

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