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Dear Mr. Parsons and members of ITU-T Study Group 15,

The IEEE 802.3 Working Group would like to thank you for your recent liaison regarding the update on your work on Extended Transmitter Constellation Closure (ETCC) as a transmitter quality metric (TQM) and sharing the contribution on progress of the validation work.

IEEE 802.3 continues our work on ETCC. We have made some changes to the ETCC reference receiver, providing an explicit definition for the reference equalizer and adding a reference post-equalizer following carrier phase recovery. We would like to draw your attention to these changes in D2.2, which has been shared separately.

We note your observation that there were differences between the contributions we previously shared with each other. We would note that the information we shared following our May meeting was preliminary, and our validation work is progressing. We expect to share further updates in the future.

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We thank you for your continued collaboration and look forward to continued conversations on this topic.

Sincerely,

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