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terminology (ISO/IEC JTC 1/SC 25/WG 3 N 897)

Action: Liaison response

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Dear Walter,

Thank you for your letter on optical fibre terminology. The letter was received and considered with the following outcome:

- The Maintenance Task Force for IEEE 802.3 Working Group will work with Mr. Flatman to submit a maintenance request on IEEE 802.3-2008 that addresses the terminology you raised in our published standard. Per our maintenance process, once the request is submitted it will be balloted on the next revision of the standard
- IEEE P802.3ba, which is working on an amendment to IEEE 802.3-2008 for the next generation speeds, will address the terminology related to that material in their ballot

Yours sincerely,

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