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To: Dr. Stanley Wang and Dr. Arthur Wang, Co-Hosts, IEEE 802.16 Session #39

Dear Arthur and Stanley,

On behalf of the IEEE 802.16 Working Group on Broadband Wireless Access, I want to thank you and your many colleagues for hosting our Session #39 in Taipei, Taiwan on 12-15 September 2005.

As all of the session participants can attest, Session #39 was a vital and memorable event in Working Group history. We were delighted with the facilities and services of The Grand Hotel, which allowed for efficient and pleasant progress during the week. Many members were struck by the unique experience provided by this historic venue as well as in the marvelous Wednesday evening at the Yuan Shan Club, where we were treated to fascinating and memorable cultural experiences. Many of us also enjoyed the wonderful natural scenery we experienced on the Friday tour.

The Working Group must also acknowledge the local hosts for their energy and creativity in taking the initiative to develop the Monday morning *2005 Taipei Broadband Wireless Access Technology Summit*. This event proved to be an excellent opportunity for the Working Group members to meet government leadership and local industry for an exchange of views. This innovative concept has proven so successful that it appears it may become a regular feature of future 802.16 interim sessions. Session #39 has raised the bar in many ways.

In crafting this letter, I do find myself at a loss as to how to properly convey the Working Group's appreciation to the entire body of volunteers who made it happen. The extent of your local Organizing Committee far exceeded our expectations, and the contributions of all the volunteers were evident. Although I hesitate to name names, lest I forget anyone, I do wish to call out, in addition to you two, the following:

- Dr. Paul Lin of ITRI, Chair of the Organizing Committee, for the outstanding contributions of ITRI as Institutional Host of Session #39, and for his many personal contributions
- Dr. Ching-Tarn Hsieh of ITRI, Executive Secretary of the Organizing Committee
- Chang-Lung Hsiao of ITRI, who planned and assisted with many activities
- Ronia Huang of the Committee of Communications Industry Development with the Ministry of Economic Affairs, who assisted with visa applications, provided on-site support, and organized the Technology Summit
- Michelle Chan of ITRI, who led facility selection, preparation, and on-site coordination
- Frank Jiang of CyberTAN Technology for contributions as Corporate Co-Host of Session #39
- Mrs. Francesca Cheng of The Great IDEa Technology Public Relations for assistance with registration, participant gifts, and the social at the Yuan Shan Club

I cannot fail to mention my appreciation for the outstanding effort on the challenging problem of ensuring that all those who wished to attend this session were able to obtain visas. Congratulations on this success.

As I am sure you are aware, Session #39 was an important event for IEEE 802.16, as it marked the final meetings related to IEEE 802.16e and our Corrigendum 1, both of which were approved shortly thereafter, marking major milestones in Working Group history. Thanks to you and your team for your contributions to the success of the Working Group and the success of Session #39.

Best regards,

Dr. Roger B. Marks
Chair, IEEE 802.16 Working Group on Broadband Wireless Access

cc: Ching-Tarn Hsieh, Chang-Lung Hsiao, Paul Lin, Ronia Huang, Frank Jiang, Michelle Chan, Francesca Cheng