

IEEE 802 LAN/MAN Standards Committee

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SUBJECT: IEEE 802 Relationship with CESI

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Dear Mr. Wang,

Thank you for inviting me to dinner on 28 January. I appreciated the chance to get to know you and your colleague Wu Dongya. I also appreciate that Yao Zhongbang, whom I have gotten to know through his participation in the IEEE 802.16 Working Group, was able to attend.

On behalf of the IEEE 802 LAN MAN Standards Committee, I would like to convey our openness to communications with CESI and to exchanges of information. We welcome any information you wish to provide regarding the roles and activities of CESI.

I have valued the participation of CESI staff members in the two IEEE 802.16 Working Group sessions held in China during the past 10 months. We welcome CESI staff to extend their participation to additional activities within IEEE 802.

We have become aware of the difficulty of some Chinese participants in obtaining visas to attend standards meetings in the US, where many 802 meetings are held. We truly regret such difficulties and are trying to assist. We have learned that the US-based organization ANSI has recently published a useful guidebook entitled "United States Visa System: Information for Experts from the People's Republic of China Attending Meetings of the ISO and IEC Held in the United States." It is available here:

http://www.ansi.org/news_publications/news_story.aspx?menuid=7&articleid=892 .

We have communicated to the US Department of State regarding the difficulties we face when our own members and participants are unable to attend some of our meetings. We have received some very specific suggestions to aid the possibility of visa approval. If you are interested in discussing this, please feel free to contact me.

I look forward to learning more about CESI.

Best regards,

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