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Dear Dick,

Thank you for your recent correspondence regarding the IPF. It is helpful. However, the members of X3T10 are still not satisfied that the fund is being collected and spent in a fair manner. It would be most helpful if you could provide more detailed information regarding IPF fund.

At the X3T10 meeting on January 11, 1996, a motion "that X3T10 endorse the same proposal as endorsed by X3T11 as reflected in 96-119r0" (attached) passed 20:3:17:11=51. I should point out that the referenced proposal was not actually endorsed by X3T11 -- consideration was deferred by X3T11 until their February 7, 1996 meeting. And I should further point out that due to time constraints, I did not allow X3T10 time to wordsmith the proposal; it was an up-or-down vote. Had I allowed this time, I suspect the proposal would have been toned down and many of the abstentions would have been converted to affirmatives.

I am concerned that this fairness issue is detracting from our ability to do business. Some X3T10 and X3T11 members have suggested radical alternatives of dropping all international work or dropping out of X3 and submitting international standards through other channels (e.g., ECMA or JIS). We also have people who are voting no on all international business until something is done to resolve the IPF issue.

I would appreciate it if you would consider this issue again at your upcoming ITCC meeting. I would also appreciate any more detailed documentation on the sources and distribution of the IPF funds.

Thank you,

John Lohmeyer, Chair X3T10

cc: Roger Cummings, Chair X3T11
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