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Subgroup Chairs

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Dear Del:

Subject: **Final Follow-Up to X3LB 2042**
Approval of X3/91-2651R, Project Proposal for AT Attachment Extensions,
and assignment to X3T9

The above referenced letter ballot closed with a final tally of 34-3-2-2(ALA, OSF). During the reconsideration period (X3/92-0630), one organization (Wang) changed their vote; see attachment. *[Secretariat Note: If this tally does not accurately reflect your vote, please notify the Secretariat within fifteen working days of the postmark of this letter].

The comment accompanying the original no vote:

Apple: "Project not needed. ATA extensions will expand scope of technology beyond its original intent which could result in backward compatibility implications."

IBM "We believe that another device interface standard is not required, and that extensions can be expected to cause compatibility problems, e.g., with the existing support (BIOS) for the ATA. In our judgement, customers and the industry will not benefit from another standard in this area."

The comments accompanying the abstention votes:

No. Telecom: "No expertise."

Xerox: "Outside our organizational scope of concern."

X3T9 is required to respond to the negatives. Upon receipt of the X3T9 responses, the required administrative actions will take place (e.g., assignment of project number, press release).

Sincerely,



Lynn Barra
Coordinator, Nat'l. Standards Processing, X3

Attachment: Wang Negative Comment



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SUBJECT: PRELIMINARY FOLLOW-UP AND RECONSIDERATION OF X3LB 2042

Dear Lynn

Wang would like to change its position from YES to NO with the following comment:

ATA Attachment Extensions can be expected to cause compatibility problems

If you have any questions, please call Annette Croteau at (508)967-6987.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Steve Brody".

Steve Brody
Senior Manager
Standards & Compliance