



March 21, 2005

INCITS Secretariat
c/o Information Technology Industry Council
1250 I Street NW, Suite 200
Washington, DC 20005

VIA FAX: 202-638-4922

Re: Patent Disclosure and Assurance Statement
T11, Information Technology Project – Fibre Channel Backbone, Generation 3


Dear Sirs:

Reference is made to Nortel Networks Assurance Statement letter dated November 8, 2004. Please consider this submission an update to that letter.

Nortel Networks has an issued patent, US 6,859,437 entitled "Method and system for extending the reach of a data communication channel using a flow control interception device" that may be essential to a Specification from this project. Nortel states as its position that with respect to such patent claims it owns that are essential to a final Specification of the above-referenced INCITS T11 Information Technology project, Nortel is willing to make available to applicants a license under reasonable terms and conditions that are demonstrably free of any unfair discrimination for the purpose of compliance with such standards specification.

A contact for additional information is Richard Weiss, Nortel Networks, MS 99114B20, 2221 Lakeside Blvd, Richardson, Texas 75082.

Regards,


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