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Tim and Jimmy:

I would like to extend an open invitation for ACTA to hold any or all of its meetings in conjunction with the quarterly meetings of TIA Engineering Committee TR-41, User Premises Telecommunications Requirements. Our policy for the foreseeable future is for TR-41 to co-locate its meetings with Technical Subcommittee T1E1, Interfaces, Power & Protection for Networks, of Standards Committee T1, Telecommunications.

Many ACTA members also participate in the work of TR-41, T1E1, or both. Having ACTA meetings in conjunction with the co-located TR-41/T1E1 meetings would ease the travel burden for those members. It might also give other members the opportunity to gain additional insight into the activities of these two Standards Development Organizations (SDOs), which are expected to be major contributors of the Technical Criteria adopted by ACTA.

Our schedule for the remainder of this year is as follows:

August 20-24, 2001	Ottawa, ON
November 5-9, 2001	Greensboro, NC

We have also established the following firm meeting dates for 2002, but the locations shown are tentative:

February 18-22, 2002,	Vancouver, BC
May 6-10, 2002	Boston, MA

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August 19-23, 2002 Atlanta, GA
November 18-22, 2002

Based on our current meeting schedules, it would be most expeditious if the ACTA meeting could be held on Friday of the meeting week. Both TR-41 and T1E1 have Plenary meetings that begin at 8:00 on that day and conclude by 11:00. The ACTA meeting could be scheduled to begin at 11:00 and go through lunch, or it could start in the afternoon following lunch.

Please let me know if ACTA would like to pursue having one or more such meetings. I will be happy to work with you and our TIA meeting planner to include the ACTA meeting in our schedule, make the meeting room arrangements, and offer ACTA members the TIA meeting rate for hotel rooms.

Sincerely,

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