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Dear Mr. Peyton:

We have been informed that the following proposed standard is being considered for adoption:

Proposed ANS Recorded Magnetic Tape for Information Interchange (1600 CPI, Phase Encoded) (X3.39-19xx)

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Sincerely,



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