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OUR REF. JB/pc

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Re: proposal for fast-track procedure

Dear Mr. Brannon,

Please find enclosed copy of the following Ecma Standard:

ECMA-376 1st edition Office Open XML File Formats

Adopted as Ecma Standard by the Ecma General Assembly, we are now contributing this Standard for adoption by ISO/IEC under the terms of the ISO/IEC JTC 1 fast-track procedure.

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Please find also enclosed to this letter the licensing conditions that Microsoft offers for Office Open XML as well as an Explanatory Report about the submitted Ecma Standard, that we strongly recommend to be distributed together with it.

The subject of this Standard concerns ISO/IEC JTC 1/SC34. Therefore, we recommend that this fast-track submission be assigned to JTC 1/SC34.

Ecma International will provide the number of copies required for distribution as DIS to the National Bodies of JTC 1, if needed.

Under the above circumstances, we believe that the requirements of the fast-track procedure are met.

According to Resolution 9 of ISO/IEC JTC 1 plenary meeting of October 2004 (JTC 1 N7665), the electronically downloadable version of this ISO/IEC Standard should be made available at no cost.

Yours faithfully,

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