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Mr Michael Clayton
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Dear Karen and Michael

Research In Motion (RIM) is pleased to announce that Paul Carpenter will stand as a candidate for election for the post of TSG SA WG1 (SA1) vice-chairman.

Paul is a Standards Manager for RIM, based in the United Kingdom and has a long, solid history in standards, having covered SMG1, SMG2 and EP UMTS in the past. His attendance record at SA1 is exemplary. He has attended every SA1 plenary and all but one SWG meeting since 3GPP was launched, and has been an active contributor to those meetings.

Within SA1 he is rapporteur for a number of specifications, including the GPRS Stage 1. He has worked hard within the group, not just pursuing RIMs interests, but also in contributing to the overall process in a constructive manner. He is a strong advocate of requirements-led standardization, believing that this leads to higher quality standards. He recently took the role of Messaging SWG chair and has chaired various other sessions whenever required.

We believe Paul has a strong reputation within the industry and he has spoken at a number of major industry events, including the GSM World Congress. Last year he presented at 3G 2002 and within the past week he fulfilled a speaking engagement to the Economics School at Cornell University, Ithaca, NY on the subject of technology and standardization. Paul holds an MSc (Eng) in Radio Communications and High Frequency Engineering from the University of Leeds and an MBA (Distinction) in Engineering Management from the University of Bradford Management School.

RIM will provide all necessary support for Paul, if elected, to allow him to undertake this role, as part of RIMs ongoing commitment to 3GPP.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Thomas Sanchez'. The signature is written in a cursive style with a long horizontal line extending from the end of the name.

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