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SUPPORT LETTER FOR THE POSITION AS 3GPP TSG SA WG5 CHAIR

Dear Colleagues,

Ericsson is pleased to nominate **Mr. Thomas TOVINGER** as Chairman of the 3GPP TSG SA Working Group 5 (SA5); Telecom Management.

Thomas has held the position as 3GPP SA5 Vice Chairman since 2007. He has also been chairman of the Sub-Working Group C (Interface IRPs and Methodology) 2001-2005 and the Converged Management Sub-Working Group from 2013 to present date, as well as rapporteur of a number of Work Items and Technical Specifications/Reports.

Ericsson is committed to the 3GPP standardization work and will give the full support and resources necessary for Thomas to fulfill the duties and responsibilities required as 3GPP SA5 Chairman. Thomas will be trained to comply with all applicable antitrust/competition laws and regulations while acting in his capacity as WG Chairman.

Thomas Tovinger represents the Individual Member "Ericsson LM" and the Project Partner "ETSI". A brief CV of Thomas is provided below.

Yours sincerely,

Krister Sällberg

Director, Head of Telecom Standardization

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Brief CV of Mr. Thomas TOVINGER

Mr. Thomas TOVINGER received a Master of Science Diploma in Engineering Physics with Computer Science specialization at Chalmers University of Technology, Gothenburg, in 1980 and has over 30 years of experience in the Information Technology and Telecommunications industry.

He joined Ericsson 1980 and worked with OSS programming, design and testing from 1980 to 1990, including a multi-vendor adaptation from 1984 to 1985. From 1990 to 1999 he continued with system development for various types of cellular OSS systems, including work as line manager and sub-project manager, and he started to participate in his first standardization group 1993: ETSI SMG6 developing the GSM 12-series management specifications. From 1993 to 1998 he participated in the 12.20 (BSS Management Information Model) group as well as the 12.06 (Configuration Management) and 12.11 (Fault Management) groups.

Thomas TOVINGER began his participation in 3GPP SA5 at meeting #3 in early 1999 and was Rapporteur/chair of the first Configuration Management group 1999-2001, where he was heavily involved in introducing the IRP (Integration Reference Point) concept for SA5.

After that, he continued as chair of 3GPP SA5 Sub Working Group C (Interface IRPs and Methodology) from August 2001 to September 2005. From 2005 to 2013 he has been Rapporteur of a number of 3GPP SA5 Work Items: Subscription Management SOAP/XML Solution Set, Telecom Management Methodology, Study on version handling, IRP framework enhancements to support Management of Converged Networks, and 3GPP Fault Management Solution Profile for NGMN Next Generation Converged Operations Requirements.

From August 2013 to present date he has been chair of the Converged Management Sub-Working Group (SWG) in SA5.

In parallel of the SA5 standardization work, he was also member of the ETSI TISPAN NGN (Next Generation Networks) Network Management group (WG8) from 2005 to 2007.

In August 2007 Thomas TOVINGER was elected for the first term as Vice Chairman of 3GPP SA5. In September 2009, August 2011 and August 2013 he was elected for a second, third and fourth term of the same position, a duty which he has fully ensured until today.