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ATTN: Ms. Susanna Kooistra and Mr. Young Ik Jo European Telecommunications Standards Institute Mobile Competence Centre 650, route des Lucioles 06921 Sophia-Antipolis France

Subject: Candidacy of Mr. Sean Kelley as Chair of 3GPP TSG RAN WG3

Dear Ms. Kooistra and Mr. Jo.

On behalf of Nokia, I am pleased to nominate Mr. Sean Kelley as a candidate for the position of Chair of 3GPP TSG RAN WG3, representing Nokia, an ATIS member.

Sean has been an active participant in 3GPP since 2009, spending the first 3 years in RAN2 before transitioning to RAN3 in 2012. He has been a key contributor in many technical areas (including SON/MDT, positioning, NG interface and 5G), and serves as rapporteur of the 5G Stage-3 specification TS 38.413 for the NG Interface Application Protocol (NGAP). Since 2020, he has also been covering RAN3 aspects in TSG RAN.

If elected, Sean will strive to ensure fair and technical-driven decision making, while promoting timely completion of high-quality specifications and building upon the established RAN3 good practices.

Sean graduated with a MS in Electrical Engineering from Stanford University (USA), and a BS in Electrical Engineering from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology (USA). He began his career in 1993 as a Systems Engineer supporting cellular network deployments in Asia. Since 1999, he has worked in standardization, actively contributing to various industry forums including the Open Mobile Alliance where he served as Chair of the Presence and Availability Group for 2 years.

Sean will avail himself of 3GPP-supplied antitrust and competition law training in order to comply with all applicable antitrust/competition laws and regulations while acting in his capacity as TSG WG Chair. Nokia is committed to provide all necessary support to enable Sean to chair 3GPP RAN WG3 according to good leadership principles for the benefit of the whole industry.

Yours sincerely,

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Sean Kelley: Short CV

Sean has over 28 years of experience in the wireless communications industry, including the last 12 years as an active contributor in 3GPP.



He began his career in 1993 as a system engineer with Motorola, supporting the rollout of cellular networks in Asia. From 1999 to 2012, he was a standards delegate in several industry forums including 3GPP2 (1999-2004), Open Mobile Alliance (2004-2008), and 3GPP RAN2/RAN3. During that time, he served in various rapporteur and leadership roles including Chair of the OMA Presence and Availability Group.

Sean joined Nokia in 2011 through its acquisition of Motorola and has been Head of Nokia's standards delegation in 3GPP RAN3 since 2012. He has been actively contributing to RAN3 specifications and is rapporteur of TS 38.413 for the NG Interface Application Protocol (NGAP). He is also representing Nokia for RAN3 aspects in TSG RAN.

Sean holds M.Sc. and B.Sc. degrees in Electrical Engineering from Stanford University (Stanford, CA, USA) and the Massachusetts Institute of Technology (Cambridge, MA, USA), respectively.