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C37.23 Working Group Report Standard for Metal-Enclosed Bus

The Working Group for IEEE Standard C37.23 is pleased to report that after much trial and delay, the standard has been approved by the IEEE-SA Standards Board for publication. At the time of the spring meetings, the standard was in the final stages of the recirculation ballot. The result of the ballot was that of 64 ballots mailed, 62 (96%) were returned. Of those, 58 (98%) were affirmative, one (2%) was negative, and three of the responding ballots were abstentions. We were not able to resolve the negative ballot.

Questions concerning copyrighted materials held up approval at the June meetings of the Standards Board, but the publisher has provided written confirmation that the copyright for the items in question has expired and they are now considered to be in the public domain. Future revisions of the standard will not require authorization to continue to use those items. This cleared the way for full and final approval from the Standards Board. That approval was granted on September 11, 2003.

Heartfelt thanks go to those who served on the task force formed in the Spring 2002 meetings. Without their input and assistance, the standard would not be in the position it is today.

Respectfully submitted,

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