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**Re: Exploring Opportunities for Cooperation Between FLO Forum and OMA**

Dear Mark:

I am writing to you on behalf of the FLO Forum (<http://www.floforum.org>) with the purpose of initiating a discussion regarding potential areas of cooperation between OMA and the FLO Forum. The FLO Forum is an international organization consisting of forty-four (44) member companies (and growing) that works to enable the delivery to wireless consumers of advanced terrestrial mobile multimedia multicast services based on FLO™ technology. The FLO Forum is organized to promote the global standardization of FLO technology based on a strategy of generating technical specifications, and through direct and liaison relationships with recognized standards and industry organizations, submitting these documents as technical contributions to stimulate open standards development. To illustrate, in January 2006 the FLO Forum contributed draft FLO air interface specifications to the TIA TR47.1 for standardization, and recently submitted corresponding draft specifications for Minimum Performance Specifications for FLO devices, and for FLO transmitters.

Above the radio layer, FLO Forum deliverables include requirements documents, technical and minimum performance specifications. Areas of focus include open interfaces to each of the major FLO system functional blocks, and within the FLO "stack," encapsulation and transport methods, media processing, and in the application layer, System Information, among others. The FLO Forum transport and System Information specifications respond to market and technical requirements for standards-based support of both IP-based and non-IP based applications.

The FLO Forum notes the potential for two areas of cooperation with the OMA. First, could we consider cooperation to develop an adaptation specification for operating existing BCASST enablers over FLO networks? Regarding a second area of cooperation, note that the FLO Forum is developing encapsulation and transport specifications and corresponding System Information support for non-IP based protocols designed to optimize performance of real-time streaming and file delivery applications. Could we consider cooperation to evolve the OMA BCASST SG towards transport-independence?

The FLO Forum respectfully requests your advice and guidance regarding OMA: confirming potential interest to cooperate in the two areas noted above; identifying the necessary administrative and legal steps that may be required; and as well outlining potential timelines for moving forward. We welcome the opportunity to open and maintain a channel of communication between our organizations.

Sincerely,

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