Mr. William Rockwell  
American National Standards Institute  
1430 Broadway  
New York, NY 10018

Sir:

Re: Patent Rights Statement - SONET Standard

The American National Standards Institute has recently approved an American National Standard concerning Synchronous Transmission of Optical Digital Signals. This standard is:


Pursuant to Section 7.4 of the American National Standards Institute Procedures for Management and Coordination of American National Standards, Bellcore states that it believes that it holds or may hold patent rights to one or more currently existing inventions whose use would be required for implementation of the
above-identified Standard, and that without compensation it will grant to any person similar granting the same to Bellcore and to its owner companies and their Affiliates freedom from prosecution under any such patent rights for infringement thereof resulting solely from compliance with such Standard.

Respectfully,

[Signature]

James W. Falk
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