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Subject: Recirculation Ballot, Software Engineering

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Dear Colleague,

Thank you for participating in the initial ballot on the Code of Ethics.

The ballot closed on 20 July 1998. The results were as follows:

Ballot Group: 192  
Ballots Returned: 148/192 (77% of balloting group)  
Not Voting: 44/192 (23%)  
Abstentions: 2/192 (1%)

Initial Affirmative Votes: 113/146 (77.4%)  
Initial Negative Votes: 33/146 (22.6%)

Resolved Negative Votes: 13/146 (8.9%)  
Unresolved Negative Votes: 20/146 (13.7%)  
Total Affirmative Votes: 126/146 (86.3%)

The purpose of this recirculation ballot is to confirm that comments received during the initial ballot have been dealt with in an acceptable manner to a majority of the balloting group and increase consensus on the Code of Ethics document.

For the last part of this ballot process, we ask that you go to <http://computer.org/standard/sesc/ethics> review the Code of Ethics (Version 5.0) and to complete the Recirculation Ballot. On that page you will find links to the following items:

Recirculation Ballot  
Code of Ethics (Version 5.0)  
Summary of Changes  
Comment Disposition Report  
Ballot Group Member List  
Questionnaire

#### Recirculation Ballot Options

If you wish to change your initial ballot response, the following are your options. If you do not wish to change from your initial ballot, you do not need to submit the Recirculation Ballot.

- (1) You should change your negative vote to affirmative if your objections have now been addressed.
- (2) You may reiterate your negative vote if one or more of your objections have not been resolved to your satisfaction.
- (3) You may change your vote to negative to indicate your support of objections of another person which have not been resolved.
- (4) You may change your affirmative vote to negative only if changes made to the document have introduced substantive problems that did not previously exist.

NOTE: A person who did not respond to initial ballot may not raise objections to any part of the draft code of ethics which has not been changed from the initial

ballot.

If you do not respond by date listed on the enclosed Recirculation Ballot, 16 September 1998, then your previous vote will remain in place.

Your comments on the balloting process are requested. Please also take a moment to complete the questionnaire on the same Web page.

Please direct technical and procedural questions to the undersigned at phone number below.

Thank you,

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