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I have just received your letter about ethics and software engineering.  
The letter was mailed to my old address, and thus it took two weeks  
to reach me. I shall respond by mail shortly. Meanwhile, please correct  
my address in your records. Thanks.

Michael C. Loui  
Professor of Electrical and Computer Engineering

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