To: Region 3 ExCom Cc: Region 3 Committee Fm: David Green, R3 SOSC Chair Sb: Strategic Operations and Support Committee Report Dt: 26 June 2023

The Strategic Operations and Support Committee (SOSC) had its most recent meeting on 5 June 2023 using WebEx. Director Brunasso briefed the committee on IEEE happenings and reviewed the Region 3 plans for Sections Congress 2023.

The committee received a request from SSC to consider modifying the membership of the Projects Committee. Chair Green and Director-Elect Grigorian were assigned to review the request and make a recommendation at the next meeting.

The committee continues to monitor plans for dealing with the change to IEEE Google Data Storage limits. It appears that Collabratec Workspaces will play a significant role. Recent and future changes to Collabratec are being focused on supporting improved file capabilities in Collabratec Workspaces. It was reported that the new limit of Google space for IEEE accounts would be 5 GB rather than 2 GB. This will reduce the impact on individuals, but GeoUnit storage remains an issue that is being worked on by MGA, Collabratec, and others. Members whose space utilization is over 5 GB will be able to access existing files, photos, and mail but will not be able to add any new content. This includes not being able to receive any new emails or compose any outgoing emails.

The group received reports from the committee mentors attending the meeting. The SOSC mentors for the various R3 Committees are:

- Awards and Recognition Committee Gregg Vaughn
- Member Communications Committee Jill Gostin
- Conference Committee Jim Conrad
- Finance Committee Mary Ellen Randall
- Section Support Committee Bill Ratcliff
- Professional Activities Committee Lee Stogner
- Student Activities Committee Pat Donohoe
- Area Chairs Eric Grigorian

Please keep the volunteer mentors in the loop and make use of their corporate memory, connections, and experience. They are there to help the committee be more successful.

The next meeting of the SOSC will be on 7 August 2023.