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Dear Georges:

It is with great pleasure that I congratulate you and the more than 3400 Members of the IEEE Benelux Section on the Section's 50th anniversary in 2009. The Section has been a strong contributor to the long history of accomplishments of IEEE. The Section's technical and professional programs serve IEEE members and other technical professionals in the Belgium, Netherlands and Luxembourg area and in IEEE Region 8. As examples, the section will host several international conferences this year and, as you and I both know, an IEEE Milestone for the development of the CD was recently presented to the Section in Eindhoven. The Milestone presentations are important events for IEEE, highlighting significant contributions to technology.

I and the many thousands of other IEEE Members around the world share your pride in your Section's accomplishments during this celebration of the Section's 50 years as a vibrant and integral part of IEEE.

My best wishes for your continued success.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "John R. Vig". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first letters of the first and last names being capitalized and prominent.

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