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Dear Mr. Teare:

I did not receive your September 17 letter until after the District 11 Executive Committee Meeting but we are already working on many of the questions you raised.

I am enclosing a territorial organization plan for AIEE Districts 11 and 14 which I worked out with Professor Alex Bereskin, Director of IRE Region 4 covering the same area. I must have sent copies to everyone except you.

This plan has been approved by all 9 sections in District 11. The only outstanding question is the status of Essex County in Ontario, Canada, and the Michigan Section of AIEE and the Detroit Section of IRE are conducting a vote among their members in Essex County to determine whether they wish to be members of the proposed Southeast Michigan Section of IRE or to become a part of a Canadian Section. This vote should settle any arguments.

Copies of this territorial organization plan have been sent to Vice President Johnston in District 14 for his consideration but I have not heard from him. Copies have also been sent to Brad Cozzens, Mr. Chase, Mr. Hamburger, Mr. Hibshman, and Vice Presidents of all bordering districts. A similar distribution to IRE officers has been made by Director Bereskin.

The important problem is to insure that the Regions follow the proposed section boundaries so that metropolitan areas like Cincinnati are not split by a regional boundary.

In answer to a letter from Mr. Hibshman asking for any problems to be forwarded to Warren Chase, I have pointed out that we cannot progress much further towards section merger until a model constitution and by-laws for IRE sections is issued together with

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a suggested procedure for the adoption of this constitution and by-laws and the appointment of a joint committee to nominate the initial slate of officers. I realize that the National By-laws must be approved before this can be done but I hope that the model section constitution and by-laws can be issued as soon as possible. The existing IRE model constitution and by-laws could be used as a guide. Also instructions are needed on whom to notify as to the effective date of local merger, name of merged section, etc.

A few sections have started writing a joint constitution and by-laws but I have not encouraged this effort because of too much variety and possible conflicts with the National By-laws.

In District 11 we are planning to merge the AIEE and the IRE sections in the 6 areas having both sections at the regular section elections in the spring of 1963. The Michigan Section of AIEE and the Detroit Section of IRE are planning to merge January 1st but they will have to move fast to approve a constitution and by-laws and nominate and elect a slate of officers before the end of the year. The 3 sections which have no IRE sections in their areas will continue as IEEE sections and absorb the IRE members in their areas.

Professor Bereskin has invited me to attend the IRE Region 4 Executive Committee Meeting, Tuesday, October 9, at 2:00 PM in the Sherman Hotel in Chicago. I have also invited Mr. Johnston, Vice President District 14.

The attention of all section chairmen was called to the new membership rates and they were encouraged to make every effort to build up the AIEE membership in anticipation of merger. There was some question on how effective we could be in securing transfers since IRE has no transfer fees.

In view of the close supervision required to take care of merger problems in sections, it may be advisable to consider dividing IEEE Region 2 into 3 divisions corresponding to the areas now represented by AIEE Districts 2, 11 and 14 adjusted to the boundaries of Region 2 in order to relieve the Regional Director of these details during the re-organization period.

I hope this covers the questions raised in your letter. I will look forward to seeing you at the Chicago meeting.

Yours very truly,

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cc: W. Chase
N. Hibshman