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George Ponchak received the B. E. E. degree from Cleveland State University, Cleveland, OH in 1983, the M.S.E.E. degree from Case Western Reserve University, Cleveland, OH in 1987, and a Ph.D. in electrical engineering from the University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, MI in 1997. He joined the staff of the Communications, Instrumentation, and Controls Division at NASA Glenn Research Center, Cleveland, OH in 1983 and worked there through 2021 as a senior research engineer. In 1997-1998 and in 2000-2001, he was a visiting professor at Case Western Reserve University in Cleveland, OH. He has authored and co-authored over 200 papers in refereed journals and symposia proceedings. Dr. Ponchak is a Fellow of the IEEE, was the Editor-in-Chief of the IEEE Transactions Microwave Theory and Techniques from 2010-2013, and the Editor-in-Chief of the IEEE Microwave and Wireless Components Letters from 2006-2009. He received the 2014 N. Walter Cox Award.