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News Release

OFS INTRODUCES MINI LT FLAT DROP CABLE, A NEW OFFERING FOR FTTX NETWORKS

OFS' latest optical cable features a compact, easy-to-access design for the last link in your FTTx network

OSP Expo 2005, Booth 520, Fort Worth, Nov. 16, 2005 – OFS, designer, manufacturer, and supplier of leading edge fiber optic products, today introduced the Mini LT Flat Drop Cable, a compact, durable, and self-supporting solution in an easily accessible construction. This small, lightweight cable offers an ideal solution for the smaller fiber counts that are needed in the final sections of an optical network, particularly in an FTTx installation.

The flat, rugged construction of the Mini LT Flat Drop Cable is specifically designed for self-supporting aerial deployments, allowing faster, lower cost installations. Its superior crush resistance and durability also make it robust enough for below-grade installations in ducts or open trenches.

“The Mini LT Flat Drop Cable is a great addition to the OFS Drop Cable family, offering a compact and durable solution for the last link of the FTTx network,” said Bill Kloss, President of the North American Cable & Connectivity Divisions at OFS. “Our leading portfolio of fiber, cable and connectivity products and solutions offers numerous deployment options with unsurpassed performance, and installation and maintenance cost savings opportunities.”

Mini LT Flat Drop Cable summary of benefits and features:

- = Compact, easy-to-access design allows for easy installation and handling
- = Suitable for self-supporting aerial, direct buried, and duct FTTx drop installations
- = Compatible with industry-standard wedge clamps and closure strain relieves
- = Excellent tensile strength and crush-resistance

- = Optimized for fiber counts of 1,2,4, and 6
- = All-dielectric construction eliminates the need for bonding or grounding
- = 300 pound Maximum Rated Cable Load (MRCL)
- = Standard availability with AllWave® Zero Water Peak (ZWP) Single-Mode Fiber

About OFS

OFS is a world-leading designer, manufacturer and provider of optical fiber, optical fiber cable, connectivity, FTTx and specialty photonics solutions. Our marketing, sales, manufacturing and research teams provide forward-looking, innovative products and solutions in areas including Telecommunications, Medicine, Industrial Automation, Sensing, Government, Aerospace and Defense applications. We provide reliable, cost effective optical solutions to enable our customers to meet the needs of today's and tomorrow's digital and energy consumers and businesses.

OFS' corporate lineage dates back to 1876 and includes technology powerhouses such as AT&T and Lucent Technologies. Today, OFS is owned by Furukawa Electric, a multi-billion dollar global leader in optical communications.

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