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News Release

OFS TO PARTICIPATE AT THE 2008 FTTH CONFERENCE & EXPO

Norcross, Georgia, September 18, 2008 - OFS, a world leading designer, manufacturer and supplier of innovative optical fiber, optical fiber cable, FTTH and connectivity solutions, will participate at the 2008 FTTH Conference & Expo, which will be held at the Gaylord Opryland® Resort & Convention Center in Nashville, TN, on September 21-25, 2008. OFS will focus on how developers, municipalities, cable TV providers, communication companies, and other network owners and operators can fiber-connect their communities with groundbreaking technologies and innovative solutions that provide reliable performance and help maximize ROI.

OFS will address conference attendees with presentations, panels and poster sessions, as detailed below:

Municipal Panel: "Lessons Learned and Recipes for Successes," OFS Speaker: John George, Director, Systems and Applications Engineering (Monday, September 22 - 1:00PM).

Leading municipal FTTH service providers will relay their valuable experiences in deploying FTTH, from concept to revenue.

"Fundamental FTTH Planning and Design," by David Stallworth, OSP Design and Product Manager (Monday, September 22 - 2:00PM).

This presentation will provide information and fundamental planning that can help make economical decisions based on an ideal configuration for feeder routes for a small or large city or area. Fundamental planning is defined as determining where to geographically place fiber feeder routes in a city or development, feeder boundaries, centralized splitter cabinets, and how to size splitter cabinets.

"Understanding and Optimizing MDU Optical Cabling Systems," by John George (Tuesday, September 23 - 3:45PM).

This presentation will describe and analyze the latest options for fiber cabling systems that deliver FTTH services to apartment and condominium units, and focus on their cost, reliability, and performance. New technologies such as plug-and-play indoor cabling systems, bend-insensitive fiber cables, and spooled distribution systems will be considered along with traditional splicing based approaches. A cost model and general guidelines will be presented to help guide optimized fiber to the MDU deployments.

“How Long is Long-Haul in a FTTH World?” Poster, by Guyton Swindell, Field Applications Manager, and Dave Mazzaresse, Technical Manager, Fiber Systems Engineering (Monday, September 22 and Tuesday, September 23 - Times of poster sessions to be announced).

FTTH Conference & Expo attendees can visit OFS at **Booth # 913** in the exhibition floor, or get more information at www.ofsoptics.com. OFS is a Gold Sponsor of the 2008 FTTH Conference & Expo.

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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