News Release

Lightwave Innovation Recognizes OFS TeraWave™ ULL Single-Mode Optical Fiber



OFC 2017, Booth 2925, Los Angeles, California, March 21, 2017 – OFS, a leading designer, manufacturer and supplier of innovative fiber optic network solutions, announced today that its TeraWave ULL Single-Mode Optical Fiber has been recognized by the 2017 Lightwave Innovation Reviews. In this program, the TeraWave ULL Optical Fiber received a score of 4.5 out of 5 points. Dr. Robert Lingle, Jr. of OFS will accept the award during the OFC Conference and Exhibition.

Presented annually by Lightwave, the Lightwave Innovation Reviews program distinguishes products and solutions available within the optical networking industry as determined by a stellar panel of third-party judges, including executives and analysts from a wide array of service providers, technology developers, industry analysts and journalists. Products and solutions that earn a score of at least 3.5 out of 5 points are recognized.

Dr. Timothy F. Murray, CEO and Chairman of OFS, stated, "OFS appreciates this recognition of our optical fiber by the Lightwave Innovation Reviews. The TeraWave ULL Optical Fiber reflects our company's ongoing commitment to developing industry-leading fiber optic innovations that meet the needs and expectations of our customers while, in turn, positively affecting the lives of end users around the globe."

Lightwave Group Publisher Rob Stuehrk remarked, "On behalf of the Lightwave Innovation Reviews, I would like to congratulate OFS on their score. This competitive, unbiased program celebrates the most original and innovative products in the optical networking industry. We are pleased to celebrate OFS' TeraWave ULL Optical Fiber for its meaningful contribution to the optical networking industry."

Designed to meet the demands of today's terrestrial optical networks, the TeraWave ULL Single-Mode Optical Fiber is optimized for long haul transmission in the C- and L- bands (1530 nm – 1625 nm) at 100 Gb/s, 400 Gb/s and beyond. This ultra-low loss fiber takes the best aspects of highly-engineered submarine fibers and combines them with cabling performance that is similar to conventional single-mode terrestrial fiber. These improvements allow system designers to increase distances between regeneration and amplification sites, helping to lower the overall cost of deploying coherent systems – now and in the future.

About OFS

OFS is a world-leading designer, manufacturer and provider of optical fiber, fiber optic 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 offer 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 publicly held, Japanese multi-billion dollar global leader in optical communications.

Headquartered in Norcross (near Atlanta) Georgia, U.S., OFS is a global provider with facilities in China, Denmark, Germany, Russia and the United States.

For more information, please visit www.ofsoptics.com.

About LIGHTWAVE

For more than 30 years, Lightwave (www.lightwaveonline.com) has delivered trusted technical, application and business insights to senior-level decision makers for optical communications worldwide. Lightwave serves technology vendors, communications carriers and major enterprises with a complete and nuanced picture of the optical communications business environment. Lightwave is a valued information source for information related to FTTx, networking, equipment design, MSO optics and test and measurement for corporate executives, department heads, project managers, network engineers and others making strategic decisions that are critical to the success of their businesses. Lightwave is a unit of PennWell Corporation.

About the 2017 LightWave Innovation Reviews

The LightWave Innovation Reviews is in its fourth year of recognizing and celebrating the industry's most unique products and solutions that help optical communications professionals worldwide drive improvements and innovation in optical technology.

Executives at Ciena, Intel, Lumentum, LightCounting Market Research and Adva were among the third-party judges for the 2017 Innovation Reviews. Criteria used in the Innovation Award rankings include, first and foremost, unique technology or application thereof, innovation, ease of use, efficiency, reliability and contribution to profitability.

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