



News Release

OFS to Present Series of Sessions at ISE EXPO

ISE EXPO 2022, Booth 909, Denver, Colorado, August 23, 2022 – OFS, a leading manufacturer of innovative fiber optic products and solutions will showcase continued technical and industry leadership in 3 highly rated educational sessions at the annual ISE EXPO to be held at the Colorado Convention Center in Denver, Colorado August 24-25, 2022.

OFS Technical Manager and board member of the Fiber Broadband Association (FBA), Mark Boxer, will be a panelist on "Addressing Telecom Job Shortage Through Training Programs" on Thursday, August 25th from 8:00 AM – 9:00 AM. The goal of this session is to attract and train a pipeline of people from diverse backgrounds, provide a path to employment, and continue new skill development throughout their careers. AT&T, Corning, National Telecommunications, and Information Administration (NTIA), and FBA will host a discussion roundtable to highlight the challenges, share current actions and propose how industry partners and educational institutions can build training programs to support industry growth.

Additionally, on Thursday, Wednesday, August 24, 2022, 9:15 AM - 10:15 AM Mark Boxer will present "Novel Approaches to Primarily Rural and Municipal Fiber Networks." Rural and lowerdensity municipal networks support customers that are farther apart. Fiber counts may be lower. Aerial spans may be longer. Pole lines may require significant upgrades or make-ready procedures to meet clearance requirements. At the same time, low-density trends drive up costs per home passed, while subscription rates in less dense areas may be higher. This combination of challenges and opportunities lends itself to another look specifically at how to deliver service in less dense areas, specifically from the trunk cable through the closure/ terminal and to the drop cable to and in the home. This presentation will introduce fundamentally new concepts that may provide cost savings and installation speed increases, for rural and lower-density municipal networks.

Further, John George, Senior Director of Solutions and Professional Services for OFS, ondemand sessions will be available for streaming after the conference. In this on-demand session, high-level design techniques that can enable much earlier bill of materials creation to accommodate longer material order intervals will be described and examples are given. Options for specifying fiber optic cabling and associated materials based on each service provider's unique constraints for material and labor will be outlined.

For further detail on all the presentations and sessions by OFS please visit the ISE website. For more information on these and other OFS products, stop by the OFS booth #909 or visit <u>www.ofsoptics.com</u>.

About OFS

OFS is a world-leading designer, manufacturer, and provider of optical fiber, fiber optic cable, connectivity, fiber-to-the-subscriber (FTTx), and specialty fiber optic products. We put our development and manufacturing resources to work creating solutions for applications in such areas as telecommunications, medicine, industrial networking, sensing, aerospace, defense, and energy. We provide reliable, cost-effective fiber optic solutions that help our customers meet the needs of consumers and businesses today and into the future.

Headquartered in Norcross (near Atlanta) Georgia, U.S.A., OFS is a global provider with facilities in several countries worldwide. OFS is part of Furukawa Electric Group, a multi-billion-dollar leader in optical communications.

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