OFS JOINS ALLIED FIBER’S DARK FIBER COMMUNITY

Norcross, Georgia, April 4, 2011 - OFS, designer, manufacturer and supplier of leading edge fiber optic network products, today announces that it has joined Allied Fiber’s Dark Fiber Community.

Allied Fiber created the Dark Fiber Community in response to the rising demands for its dark fiber products and services from network operators and companies seeking to build new, as well as extend existing dark fiber networks. The Dark Fiber Community is an online resource providing information, visibility and contact details for industry-leading vendors as well as the opportunity to plan meetings with global suppliers.

“We are proud to be part of Allied Fiber’s Dark Fiber Community,” said Peter Spehr, Director of Sales at OFS. “As a provider and innovator of the latest optical fiber, cable and connectivity solutions, we see value in working in this online networking and educational platform to stay active with other industry leaders in order to meet customer needs.”

“OFS recognizes the critical need for full spectrum fiber technologies to enable the communication industry’s growing demand for low latency, high bandwidth product solutions to be utilized in cellular wireless backhaul, green energy, data centers, FTTH deployments and other evolving applications,” continues Spehr.

"The Dark Fiber Community serves as an online directory for network operators, featuring industry news, video interviews, relevant whitepapers and access to an online one-on-one meeting system,” explains Jason Cohen, President & COO of Allied Fiber. “Combined, these tools serve to further educate the network buyer marketplace and offer invaluable resources and connections to credible network suppliers. Adding OFS to the Dark Fiber Community introduces a deeper resource in the Fiber segment of the industry for those in search of information and solutions for their network needs.”

For more information on the Dark Fiber Community, visit [http://dark-fiber.tmcnet.com](http://dark-fiber.tmcnet.com).
About Allied Fiber

Allied Fiber was created to address America’s need to eliminate obstacles for broadband access, wireless backhaul and lower latency through new, next generation long-haul dark fiber and an open access philosophy. The Allied Fiber team is comprised of experts in the field of communications, network construction and finance. They are dedicated to building and providing access to an abundant supply of dark fiber in areas where it is most needed. The first phase of new duct and fiber construction will be between New York, NY, Ashburn, VA and Chicago, IL. For more information, please visit www.alliedfiber.com.

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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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