

OFS Expands the AccuRibbon® DC Fiber Optic Cable Family

Gel-free ribbon cables are easier to install, access and splice

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September 5, 2017- OFS is pleased to announce the expansion of the AccuRibbon® DC Fiber Optic Cable product family to include fiber counts up to 864. These totally gel-free ribbon cables will be available in dielectric and metallic/armored versions. Currently, AccuRibbon DC cables are offered in fiber counts up to 432.

These 100% gel-free cables are designed to significantly reduce both cable preparation times and cable weights, which help lower deployment costs, reduce splicing expenses and speed installation/restoration times.

Super-absorbent polymer (SAP) tapes replace the gel in AccuRibbon DC cables to impede water migration in the cable core. These cables and water-blocking tapes have a 15-year, field-proven history in diverse outside plant (OSP) installations and applications.

In addition to meeting Telcordia GR-20 Issue 4 requirements, the AccuRibbon DC cables have successfully met OFS' aggressive coiling simulations where the cables are twisted and coiled under real-world installation conditions. The installation simulation testing performed is significantly beyond the current minimum testing standards utilized by the industry.

The expanded-fiber-count AccuRibbon DC cables are scheduled for commercial availability during fourth quarter 2017.

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 Communications, Medicine, Industrial Networking, Sensing, 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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