

Low Bend Loss with Fujikura Europe's New Optical Fibre

London, 4 January 2005 – Fujikura Europe Ltd has announced two new additions to its range of leading optical fibres: the FutureGuide®-SR15 and FutureGuide®-SR15E. With an allowable bending radius of only 15mm these fibres offer significant space savings inside equipment and closures, especially for FTTH equipment.

The low bending loss of the FutureGuide®-SR15 series of optical fibres provides an incredibly versatile solution for cabling manufacturers, telecoms installation companies and communications equipment makers. The FutureGuide®-SR15E is manufactured using the VAD preform manufacturing method, which is also used to produce the FutureGuide®-LWP (low water peak) fibre, eliminating water from the fibre preform. Available in a range of reel lengths up to 50.4km, the optical fibre can also be supplied coloured or non-coloured, depending on customers' requirements.

"Many of our customers have made a point of complimenting us on just how good our optical fibres truly are," said Roy Higgins, General Manager for Fujikura Europe Ltd. "With no fibre breaks at all during the cabling process, the FutureGuide® series of fibres offers a great deal of versatility without any compromise on quality."

As the fourth largest manufacturer and supplier of optical fibre in the world, Fujikura is already well known for high quality, strong performance products and with a growing number of European customers, Fujikura Europe anticipates high demand for this new addition to the optical fibre range. "We are recognised for being a leading supplier of splicing equipment, however an increasing number of companies are also making Fujikura a first choice for optical fibre products," adds Makoto Yamagishi, Sales Manager at Fujikura Europe. "Our fibre manufacturing techniques are thoroughly tried and tested and deliver a consistently top quality fibre every time."

The FutureGuide® series of optical fibres is yet more evidence that Fujikura Europe Ltd is emerging as a leading manufacturer and supplier of diverse optical fibre products and equipment.

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Established in 1885, Fujikura Ltd has grown to become one of the world's foremost manufacturers of communication and electronics products. The company consistently introduces revolutionary technologies and innovative products to respond to diverse customer needs.

Headquartered in London, Fujikura has been represented in Europe for over 20 years and has grown significantly in the past 10 years. Against fierce competition from other European companies, and with a vast product range, Fujikura Europe has been selected to supply most European telecom operators with state-of-the-art fibre optic splicing equipment and accessories.

Fujikura prides itself at being at the forefront of research and development and acknowledged by the industry with numerous awards. Success is founded on developing leading-edge products and the ability to be flexible and adaptable to customers' requirements.

Optical Fibre

Fibre optic cables, components, equipment and accessories are for all applications for Communications, Medical and Industrial markets.

Microelectronics

Be it work, home or play Fujikura's products can be found in equipment that we use in our every day lives. Wiring materials and components are used to enhance performance in many electronic products.