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News Release

OFS ANNOUNCES INVESTMENT IN FIBER MANUFACTURING

Norcross, GA, May 17, 2004 – OFS, designer, manufacturer, and supplier of leading edge fiber optic products, today announced a multi-million dollar investment in fiber process technology at its Norcross, Georgia fiber manufacturing facility. “This next generation fiber manufacturing technology will enable best-in-class performance, quality and cost for our AllWave® fiber offering,” said Ruben Travieso, General Manager, Norcross Fiber Manufacturing and Fiber R&D.

AllWave fiber, OFS’ standard single-mode fiber for the last two years, offers the lowest loss of all commercially available low water peak fibers, spanning the entire wavelength range from 1260 nm to 1625 nm.

Phase one of the multi-million dollar investment will be made in 2004.

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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