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Mark Boxer of OFS Honored for Fiber Industry Excellence

Fiber Broadband Association Announces Annual Honorees at Fiber Connect 2019

Orlando, FL June 3, 2019 — Mark Boxer, Applications Engineering Manager of OFS, received the Photon Award for excellence in the fiber industry. At its Fiber Connect show in Orlando, Florida, the Fiber Broadband Association honored two extraordinary organizations and one individual for their dedication to advancing the fiber broadband industry in the past year.

The 2019 award winners are:

- **2019 Chairman’s Award:** ALLO Communications
- **2019 Star Award:** Sonic Networks
- **2019 Photon Award:** Mark Boxer, Applications Engineering Manager with OFS

Mark has been a key contributor and “ghost writer” for multiple publications authored by the Fiber Broadband Association’s Technology committee, including “Why Fiber for MDUs”, “The Road to 5G is Paved with Fiber”, and “Limitations of Satellite Broadband to serve rural America”. Mark also created and presents the Fiber Broadband Starter kit that helps draw new interest in Fiber Broadband at the start of each annual conference for the past 8 years.

“The Fiber Broadband Association is thrilled to honor **Mark Boxer** for his efforts to facilitate all-fiber network deployments to communities and business across North America,” said Fiber Broadband Association President and CEO Lisa R. Youngers. “We cannot do this alone. Fiber is a true differentiator and we are grateful for all of the people and companies with us on the path to the fiber future.”

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OFS is a world-leading designer, manufacturer and provider of optical fiber, fiber optic cable, connectivity, fiber-to-the-subscriber (FTTx) and specialty photonics products. We provide reliable, cost-effective solutions for a broad range of applications including telecommunications, medicine, industrial automation, sensing, government, aerospace and defense. These products help our customers meet the needs of consumers and businesses, both today and into the future.

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ABOUT THE FIBER BROADBAND ASSOCIATION

The Fiber Broadband Association is the largest and only trade association in the Americas dedicated to the pursuit of all fiber optic network infrastructure to the home, to the business and to everywhere. The Fiber Broadband Association helps providers make informed decisions about how, where, and why to build better broadband networks with fiber optics while working with its members to lead the organization, collaborate with industry allies and propel fiber optic deployment forward. Since 2001, these companies, organizations and people have worked with our communities and consumers in mind to build a better broadband future here and around the world. Learn more at www.fiberbroadband.org.