

## **OFS $\mu$ linx® Fiber Optic Cable Announced as Finalist for AUVSI XCELLENCE Awards**

*Awards ceremony at XPONENTIAL in Chicago, Apr. 30.*

**Avon, CT. April 24, 2019** - OFS, a leading designer, manufacturer, and supplier of innovative fiber optic products, has been named as a finalist in the Technology Innovation category of the XCELLENCE Awards by the Association for Unmanned Vehicles Systems International (AUVSI). The OFS fiber optic cable  $\mu$ linx was selected from a pool of accomplished applicants as one of several finalists. Winners will be announced during the awards ceremony at AUVSI XPONENTIAL on Tuesday, Apr. 30 from 11:30 a.m. to 12:15 p.m. CDT at McCormick Place in Chicago.

$\mu$ linx Avionics and  $\mu$ linx Tether Fiber Optic Cables are designed for applications requiring a small form factor. These cables feature excellent bend performance, abrasion resistance, and high strength. Applications include communications/data links in UAVs and manned aircraft, avionics device pigtails on manned aircraft and unmanned aircraft/ground vehicles, sensing systems as communication links, and rough terrain/harsh environments.

"The rapid growth of the unmanned systems industry is reshaping our future by expanding business markets, providing consumers with innovative solutions and even saving lives," said Brian Wynne, president and CEO of AUVSI. "The XCELLENCE awards recognize companies and individuals who are achieving remarkable results with unmanned systems technology to benefit our communities."

LeRuth P. Bell, OFS Aerospace and Defense Market Manager, states " $\mu$ linx fiber optic cables were developed to serve the unmanned market as well as the market for aircraft device pigtails. Even though these cables are extremely small—the approximate thickness of a credit card—they have aramid strength members that allow for high strength, flexibility and reliability."

### **About OFS**

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.

Headquartered in Norcross (near Atlanta) Georgia, U.S.A., OFS is a global provider with facilities in China, Denmark, Germany, Morocco, Russia and the United States. OFS is part of Furukawa Electric Co. Ltd., a multi-billion-dollar leader in optical communications.

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