Leoni takes over j-fiber in Jena

Glass fiber manufacturer is being integrated into the Business Unit Fiber Optics

Nuremberg, February 01, 2012 - Leoni, the leading provider of cables and cable systems to the automotive sector and other industries, has acquired 100 percent of the shares of the j-fiber GmbH in Jena and finalized its activities in this field at the end of 2011. In 2007, Leoni acquired within the framework of its growth strategy in technologically demanding niche markets 51 percent of the shares of j-fiber and has since vertically integrated this unit.

j-fiber is one of the worldwide leading manufacturers of high-quality glass fibers, preforms and quartz glass materials for demanding telecommunication & data communication applications and special industrial fields. In these fields of business j-fiber is a good supplement to the Leoni Group.

Its Business Unit Fiber Optics is one of the worldwide leading providers for special optical fibers for industrial applications, sensor technology and analytics, science, telecommunication and laser medicine. Leoni thus further expands its production capacities for preforms and fibers for telecommunication, data communication and special applications and reacts to the growing demand and to the high quality awareness of its customers.

“The product and service portfolios of the two enterprises perfectly complement each other. Together we will further pursue our strategy to provide sustainable solutions to our customer’s problems using innovative technologies,” says Andreas Weinert, Vice President of BU Fiber Optics of Leoni. The customers can rely on a well-coordinated organisational structure, the highest available quality and a comprehensive support on three continents.

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About the Leoni Group

Leoni is a global supplier of wires, optical fibers, cables and cable systems as well as related services for the automotive sector and further industries. Leoni develops and produces technically sophisticated products from single-core automotive cables through to complete wiring systems. Leoni’s product range also comprises wires and strands, standardised cables, special cables and cable system assemblies for various industrial markets. The group of companies, which is listed on the German MDAX, employs more than 59,000 people in 33 countries and generated consolidated sales of EUR 2.96 billion in 2010.

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