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Prysmian Announces New Organizational Structure

On January 1, 2025, **Prysmian** adopted a new organizational structure with the overall aim of enhancing decision making, strengthening the relationship between the headquarters and the regions and better reflecting Prysmian's business, commercial and industrial operations. The previous structure was simplified, with the creation of regions in Europe and Asia Pacific (APAC). As a result, there is a reduction from nine to five regions, enhancing commercial and industrial effectiveness and supporting growth. The new structure, reporting to CEO **Massimo Battaini**, is as follows:

Business Segments: Transmission, led by **Raul Gil**; Power Grid, led by **Cinzia Farisè**; Electrification, led by **Cristiana Scelza**; and Digital Solutions, led by **Frederick Persson**.

Regions: North America, led by **Andrea Pirondini**; Europe, led by **Marcello Del Brenna**; LATAM, led by **Giacomo Sofia**; MEART, led by **Erkan Aydogdu**; and APAC, led by **Hamavand Shroff**.

Operations and Group Functions: Operations, led by **Javier Arata**; Finance, Administration, Control, IT, led by **Pier Francesco Facchini**; Human Resources/Organization, led by **Francesco Tutino**; Strategy/M&A, led by **Luri Longhi**; Sustainability, Investor Relations and Communication, led by **Maria Cristina Bifulco**; Risk Management/Compliance, led by **Alessandro Nespoli**; Corporate Affairs, led by **Jacopo Zirulia**; and Innovation/R&D, led by **Srinivas Siripurapu**. Internal Audit, led by **Paola Pulidori**, reports to the Board of Directors. www.prysmian.com

WCMA 2025 Distinguished Career Award Winners

The **Wire & Cable Manufacturers Alliance, Inc. (WCMA)** has announced the winners of the 2025 Distinguished Career Award. These esteemed members of the wire and cable industry include: **Bob Allen**, Engineering Manager, **James Monroe Wire & Cable**; **Lenny Argentine**, VP Sales & Marketing, **International Wire**; **Mike Canterino**, VP Engineering, **Fluoropolymer Resources**; **John Gross**, Publisher, **Copper Journal**; **Trent Hayes**, Engineering Manager, **CommScope**; **Hamid Haophsy**, VP Manufacturing, **Fisk Alloy Wire**; **Joe Iamartino**, VP of Technology, **Marmon Electrical**; and **David Kiddoo**, CEO, **IWCS/CCCA**. The 39th Annual Awards Dinner/Investiture Ceremony is March 29, 2025, at the **Downtown Hartford Marriott Hotel**, Hartford, CT, USA. www.wcmainc.org



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| OVERVIEW Communications | 1192 | -5.7 | +0.0 |
| OVERVIEW Steel | 582 | -5.9 | +0.0 |

• All numbers are from opening market prices listed on January 8, 2025.

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Crossplane Capital Acquires Distributor Wire & Cable (DWC)

Private equity firm, **Crossplane Capital**, has acquired **Distributor Wire and Cable (DWC)**, a master distributor of electrical wire and cable products. Crossplane has partnered with the DWC founder, **Bryce Huett**, and DWC's management team on the investment to provide operational and financial resources in support of DWC's growth.

www.crossplanecapital.com

Report: Wire & Cable Materials Growing 8.8%

According to the latest study from **BCC Research**, Boston, MA, USA, the demand for Wire and Cable: Materials, Technologies and Global Markets is estimated at US\$254.0 billion in 2024 and will reach US\$387.3 billion by the end of 2029, at a CAGR of 8.8% during the forecast period. The report covers the different types of wires and cables based on voltage, installation methods and materials used. It also looks at the wire and cable user industries and breaks down the global market by region. Revenue estimates are based on manufacturers' total sales in US\$ without adjusting for inflation.

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voestalpine Wire Italy Celebrates Its 10th Anniversary

voestalpine Wire Italy Srl recently celebrated its 10th anniversary, and with its employees, looked back on the company's successful development. Festivities began with a welcome by **Simone Fiorella**, Managing Director of the company, followed by introductory words from the management.



Stefan Glanz, member of the Management Board of parent company, **voestalpine Metal Engineering GmbH**, and **Martin Peruzzi**, CEO of the **voestalpine Wire Technology Group**, acknowledged the achievements of the past decade in their speeches and emphasized the importance of the commitment of all employees. Management honored the entire team and the outstanding achievements that have

made the company what it is today. It was emphasized that the success of **voestalpine Wire Italy** depends largely on the trust of customers in the quality of products such as cold heading wire, free-cutting steel wire, iron wire, shaped wire and coated wire. It was also emphasized that the company has

focused on the corporate values of quality, innovation, flexibility, sustainability and customer orientation since its foundation. As a thank you, all employees received a small gift—a lamp that symbolizes the company's path to a bright future.

Following the official part of the ceremony, the guests had the opportunity to take a tour of the production facilities. www.voestalpine.com

NKT medium-term financial ambitions updated

As NKT continues to execute on its strategy, **ReNew BOOST**, the company's financial ambitions for 2028 have been updated to reflect the effects of the ongoing investments and the underlying profitability of the high-voltage order backlog. The operational EBITDA ambition for 2028 has been updated to above

€700 million, from previously above €550 million.

www.nkt.com

TKF receives silver EcoVadis medal

TKF has received a silver EcoVadis medal for its commitment and initiatives in the field of sustainability. This means that TKF is among the top 15% of the more than 130,000 companies worldwide that have been

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CERSA Moves to Eco-District in France

CERSA, a key player in quality control solutions for wires, cables and tubes, has recently relocated to a new building in the Yvon Morandat Eco-District in Gardanne, France. This strategic decision reflects the company's ambition to establish itself in an environment that combines innovation and sustainability. The Yvon Morandat Eco-District was developed on the site of the former Yvon Morandat mine shaft, which closed in 2003. Rich in industrial history, this site is now being transformed into a state-of-the-art space. The eco-district leverages local resources and renewable energy, notably through an innovative energy network. The Yvon Morandat shaft, one of the deepest in Europe, plays a pivotal role in this system—its mine waters are used to power a geothermal setup capable



of heating and cooling the district's buildings over an area exceeding 80,000 m².

This intelligent energy network embodies a sustainable vision of urban planning, integrating both office spaces and housing. For CERSA, this location offers a modern and collaborative environment. By joining this ecosystem, the company places itself at the heart of a stimulating setting where ecological initiatives and technological advancements converge.

This move is also part of a broader effort to enhance CERSA's capabilities. With larger and better-equipped facilities, the company can improve its research and development processes while providing optimal working conditions for its employees.

www.cersa-mci.com

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Prysmian Supply Contracts

Prysmian has signed an agreement with French TSO **Réseau de Transport d'Électricité (RTE)**

for submarine power cable links. Each single project will consist of three HVAC 225 kV three-core export cables with XLPE insulation, all equipped with synthetic armor. 400 km of land cables will be produced in France and 240 km of submarine cables will be manufactured Italy. Prysmian also signed an agreement with **Transpower New Zealand Ltd.** for submarine power cables.

www.prysmian.com

Richard Hall: 1948-2024

The **Wire and Cable Manufacturers Alliance Inc. (WCMA)** reports the passing of **Richard "Dick" Hall**, who was a recipient of the WCMA Distinguished Career Award in 2004, a former WCMA President and one of WCMA's founding Board members when it was incorporated in 2004. Hall retired as President and CEO of **Champlain Cable** but continued to advise the company's ownership through 2023. Before that, his prior work included positions at **Electro-Wire, Harbour Industries, A.E. Petsche** and **ITT Surprenant**.



www.wcmainc.org

assessed by EcoVadis in 2024. EcoVadis is a global standard for rating the sustainability of companies and is assessed on the basis of 21 CSR criteria, based on standards for sustainable development. This covers four themes: environment, labor and human rights, ethics and sustainable procurement. The assessment results provide us and our customers with insights into TKF's sustainability performance.



Sustainability is an integral part of our business strategy. Together with customers and suppliers, TKF makes an active contribution to connecting a sustainable future.

www.tkf.nl

Wesco International finalizes its purchase of Ascent

Wesco International, Pittsburgh, PA, USA, announced it has completed its purchase of Ascent, a privately held company headquartered in St. Louis, MO, USA, and a premier provider of data center facility management services. Wesco previously announced its plan to acquire Ascent on October 31, 2024.

Ascent, which is known for its specialized data center facility and property management services, has US\$115 million in trailing twelve-month sales as of June 30, 2024, and a three-year sales compound annual growth rate in excess of 30%. With more than 300 employees in the USA and Canada, Ascent provides a full suite

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Nexans Wins Major Supply Contract Gotland Project

Nexans, Paris, France, has been awarded a substantial contract by Svenska Kraftnät to deliver some 320 km of HV subsea and onshore cables for the Gotland Connection project in Sweden. The project will address growing electricity demand on Gotland, ensuring reliable energy supply for the island. Scheduled for completion by mid-2030, the project will play a key role in supporting Sweden's renewable energy transition goals.

www.nexans.com

TKF Awarded a Turnkey Inter-Array Cable System Supply Contract

TKF won a turnkey inter-array cable contract from Inch Cape Offshore Limited for the Inch Cape Wind Farm, off the coast of Scotland. The wind farm will have an installed capacity of 1080 MW, equivalent to the electricity demand of more than half the homes in Scotland. TKF is responsible for the 66 kV inter-array aluminum core cables and accessories, with a total length of 152 km. The scope includes engineering, manufacturing, testing, supply and installation of the cables and accessories.

www.tkf.nl

NKT Awarded Two High-Voltage Projects Under Existing Framework Agreement with TenneT

NKT has been awarded two turnkey projects in Germany under the existing multi-year framework agreement with TenneT. The projects are part of TenneT's 2GW Program, which is considered one of the most ambitious infrastructure projects in the energy transition of Europe. NKT will provide the project 525 kV XLPE high-voltage direct current (HVDC) on and offshore power cable systems for the two projects. "We are thrilled to once again be selected as a key partner for TenneT's ambitious 2GW Program. This confirms our strong partnership and NKT's leading position in the high-voltage DC power cable market. We look forward



to applying our advanced power cable technology to these two additional projects in Germany, which will enable the energy transition in Europe by facilitating the efficient transport of wind power from the North Sea to the on-shore grid, says Claes Westerlind, President and CEO at NKT.

The two projects awarded NKT are LanWin7 and part of NordOstLink. The contracts will have a value of €1 billion, which includes cable design, engineering, production and installation. Five projects have been awarded to NKT under the framework agreement, which runs until 2028 with possible extension until 2031. www.nkt.com

of site operations services including staffing, facility-wide maintenance, critical systems repairs, emergency services available 24/7, management of third-party maintenance workflows and advanced liquid cooling solutions.

In addition, Ascent's proprietary Navigator platform has an integrated client dashboard that is designed to support critical infrastructure and facilities.

investors.wesco.com

TiniFiber support growth by naming Nader Saad as CFO

TiniFiber®, Lindenhurst, NY, USA, announces the appointment of Nader Saad as Chief Financial Officer (CFO). Saad will collaborate with CEO Tom Artinian to drive strategic initiatives including expanding its product portfolio, enhancing its presence in the North American market and advancing its innovative technology. With over a decade of experience in senior financial



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Philatron Wire and Cable Launches Next-Gen Shielded Coil Cords and Cables

Philatron Wire and Cable announces its latest innovation—Shielded Coil Cords and Cables, engineered for superior durability, reliability and quality to meet the rigorous demands of modern applications. Philatron's Shielded Coil Cords and Cables are specifically designed to provide unmatched mechanical strength, abrasion resistance and shielding performance. These cords excel in high-stress environments, offering enhanced protection against electromagnetic interference (EMI) and ensuring seamless signal



transmission. With operating temperature ranges from -50°C to +105°C, these products are built to withstand the harshest conditions. Key specifications include exceptional EMI protection for reliable data transfer; resistance to chemicals, flames, water and ozone; adherence to the highest safety and performance standards including Underwriters Laboratories (UL-62) and National Electric Code Articles 400 and 625; and suitability for both indoor and outdoor use in diverse industry applications. www.philatron.com

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Eric Bieberich to Lead Wire Association International in 2025

The Wire Association International (WAI), Inc. announces the appointment of **Eric P. Bieberich** as the 72nd President of the



association for a one-year term that began on January 1, 2025. Bieberich will chair the Board of Directors of the

95-year-old association, headquartered in Madison, CT, USA. Bieberich is President of **Fort Wayne Wire Die, Inc.**, a position he has held since 2013. He has 24 years' experience in the wire industry. A WAI member since 2001, Bieberich joined the Board of Directors in 2016 and Executive Committee in 2021. He was the co-chair of the 2024 Conference Programming Committee and was executive committee liaison to both the Memorial Awards and Oversight Committees.

WAI is governed by volunteers from around the globe. Joining Bieberich in 2025 are members of WAI's 2025 Executive Committee: First Vice President, **David M. Fisher**; Second Vice President, **Rebecca Cranford**; **Raúl García Martínez**; and Immediate Past President, **Daniel Blais**.

www.wirenet.org

leadership roles, Saad will oversee financial planning and operations.



"Saad has built a career focused on optimizing processes, strategic financial planning and implementing scalable systems to support growth," said Artinian. "His expertise and leadership will refine our financial strategies, streamline operations and fostering a data-driven culture to accelerate our growth."

www.tinifiber.com

Nexans completes sale of AmerCable to Mattr

Nexans announces completion of the sale of AmerCable, a leading maker of electrical power, control and instrumentation cables for harsh environments, to Mattr, for an enterprise value of US\$280 million.

Christopher Guérin, Nexans CEO said, "The completion of this transaction marks another significant milestone in our journey to refocus on electrification and simplify our portfolio. Over the past decade, AmerCable has been transformed into a high-performing business, achieving its full potential under our SHIFT program."

www.nexans.com

USITC to investigate door counter-balance torsion springs from China & India

The U.S. International Trade Commission (USITC) determined that there is a reasonable indication that a USA industry is materially injured by imports of overhead door counterbalance torsion springs from China and India, sold in the USA at less than fair value and subsidized by China and India governments. As a result of the Commission's affirmative determinations, the U.S. Department of Commerce will con-

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Remee Wire & Cable's Power Cabling Installed in Largest LED Lighting Project

Remee Wire & Cable has installed its PowerPipe™ Class 4 Fault-Managed Power (FMP) Cabling System in a large-scale warehouse expansion project at **Mouser Electronics**, a large global distributor of electronic components. Mouser incorporated the Class 4 FMP system to control its LED lighting system, believed to be the largest Class 4 LED lighting system of its kind. This system will save energy, add flexibility to control lighting and reduce the materials footprint.

www.remee.com

Sequel Wire and Cable Partnering to Expand

Sequel is officially partnering with industry veterans **Gary Yetman** and **Jim Coleman** to grow the business through an investment by **Cuprum Holdings, LLC**, to launch **Sequel Wire and Cable Holdings, LLC**. This transaction provides better access to financing to speed up planned expansions and create additional capacity to broaden product offerings. Sequel's current operating structure remains intact and is now renamed **Sequel OEM Group, LLC** under Sequel Wire and Cable Holdings.

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Bekaert Announces Intent to Reorganize Activities at Its Wetteren, Belgium Facility

Due to challenging market conditions, **Bekaert** has announced its intention to reorganize activities at the **Bekintex** site in Wetteren, Belgium. In addition to a reduction in the workforce, the production platform for micro heating cables would be relocated to another Belgian site. Bekaert recently informed the special works council of its intentions and is organizing information sessions for all employees in the affected departments. The implementation of this plan would have a direct impact on 61 jobs. Bekaert must adjust its activities to the economic reality. The management

gives priority to the personal impact of this intention on its employees. In line with the *Renault Law*, Bekaert will shortly start discussions with the social partners. The Bekintex site in Wetteren is one of Bekaert's four production sites in Belgium. Bekaert produces various high-tech products there including solutions for antistatic and heat-resistant textiles, solutions for the production of green hydrogen and heating cables for car seat heating. Approximately 140 people are employed at the Wetteren Bekintex facility.
www.bekaert.com

continue its investigations of imports of overhead door counterbalance torsion springs from China and India, with its preliminary antidumping duty determinations for China and India due on or about April 7, 2025, and its preliminary countervailing duty determinations for China and

India on January 22, 2025. The Commission's public report Overhead Door Counterbalance Torsion Springs from China and India will be available by January 17, 2025, for download at the USITC website.

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Jicable HVDC'25: International Symposium on HVDC Cable Systems in Italy

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Jicable HVDC'25 symposium will be the natural follow-up of *Jicable HVDC'21* and *Jicable HVDC'17*, dedicated to High-Voltage Direct Current transmission systems for which insulated power cables are a key component. This upcoming 4th edition will include conferences, tutorials, technical visits and a poster session for young researchers.

Jicable HVDC'25 main topics include:

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- Fundamental material performance aspects.
- New developments within the HVDC cable system.
- Test method developments for DC cable systems.
- New mechanical frontiers for HVDC cabling.
- Monitoring & service aspects.
- Sustainability and environmental aspects.

Learn more at:

www.hvdc25.jicable.org



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Gauder Group Becomes Setic-Pourtier of America

Setic-Pourtier, Roanne, France, announced a name change for its USA subdivision, **Gauder Group, Inc.** Effective January 1, 2025, the company now operates under the name **Setic-Pourtier of America, Inc.**, based in Winston-Salem, NC, USA.

This change is part of the company's ongoing commitment to streamline its global operations with the goal to reinforce Setic-Pourtier brand recognition as well as to create consistency across the Setic-Pourtier subdivision. **Alain Hawaux** is the After Sales Service Manager/President of the USA subdivision. www.setic-pourtier.com

Sumitomo Electric Contributes to Publication of ISO Automotive Standard

Sumitomo Electric Industries, led the ISO document development initiative for publishing an automotive optical harnesses international standard. This was part of the International Standardization of Automotive Ethernet System Integrity Project (FY2020-FY2022), under the Project for the Acquisition and Promotion of International Standards on Energy Conservation, etc., commissioned by Japan's Ministry of Economy, Trade and Industry. www.sumitomoelectric.com

CTC Global adds industry veteran Steve Zogas as CFO

CTC Global, a leader in Advanced Conductor technologies for the energy sector, announces the appointment of Steve Zogas as its Chief Financial Officer (CFO). With over two decades of leadership at high-growth businesses, Zogas will focus on enhancing financial rigor, operational excellence and shareholder value at CTC Global.



www.ctcglobal.com

Dividend Report...

• **Freeport**, Phoenix, AZ, USA, declared cash dividends of US\$0.15/common stock share, payable Feb. 3, 2025, to holders of record Jan. 15, 2025. This includes a base dividend of US\$0.075/share and variable dividend of US\$0.075/share in accordance with Freeport's performance-based payout framework. investors.fcx.com

Conference Calls & Webcasts...

• **TE Connectivity**, Galway, Ireland, will report financial results for the first quarter of fiscal 2025 before trading begins on Jan. 22, 2025. The company will hold a conference call for investors at 8:30 AM ET. www.te.com

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wire, Tube, METEC & Essen Welding & Cutting in India Conclude Successfully

wire India, Tube India, METEC India and India Essen Welding & Cutting concluded successfully at the **Bombay Exhibition Center** in Bombay, India. A total of 21,086 trade visitors attended to learn about innovative industry technologies and solutions from 532 exhibitors coming from 22 countries. The enthusiasm of the participants was an encouraging indication of the sector's recovery and growth.

Organized by **Messe Düsseldorf India**, the trade fairs are an important platform for Indian and international players in the wire, cable, tube, metallurgy, cutting and welding industries. The many visitors at the four events maintained business relations and stayed current on the many technological advances as well as industry trends.

Millie Contractor, Messe Düsseldorf India GM, shared, "The Indian metal fairs have again been well received by the industry. We've seen spectacular growth this year, both

in exhibitors and trade visitors as well as international participation. The four trade fairs have helped facilitate interactions that shape the industry's future and growth."

www.wire-india.com



WireShow 2025 in Shanghai

The *China International Wire and Cable Industry Exhibition (Wire-Show)*, which began in the 1980s and is held biennially, has grown into a pivotal event for the wire and cable industry. Organized by the **Shanghai Electric Cable Research Institute Co., Ltd. (SECRI)**, WireShow remains at the forefront of technology, focusing on specialization and internationalization, showcasing innovative products, technologies and solutions, fostering information sharing, collaboration and integration within the industry.

WireShow 2025 takes place from August 27 to 29, 2025, at the **Shanghai New International Expo Center** in Shanghai, China. Multiple companies from a variety of Industries are expected to exhibit at the event.

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January 28 – 30, 2025

2025 WHMA Annual Global Leadership Summit, Fort Myers, FL, USA
annualconference.whma.org

February 11 – 13, 2025

wire & Tube Mexico 2025
Monterrey, Mexico
www.wire-tube-mexico.com

April 9 – 12, 2025

wire Eurasia 2025, Istanbul, Turkey
www.wire-eurasia.com

May 6 – 8, 2025

Electrical Wire Processing Technology Expo 2025, Milwaukee, WI, USA
www.electricalwireshow.com

May 13 – 15, 2025

Interwire 2025, Atlanta, GA, USA
www.interwire25.com

June 24 – 26, 2025

CRU Wire & Cable Connection Summit 2025, Prague, Czech Republic

August 27 – 29, 2025

WireShow, Shanghai, China
www.wireshow.com

September 6 – 8, 2025

wire Middle East Africa 2025
Cairo, Egypt
www.wire-mea.com, www.mdna.com

September 17 – 19, 2025

wire Southeast Asia 2025
Bangkok, Thailand
www.wire-southeastasia.com
www.mdna.com

October 20 – 21, 2025

AWH Detroit 2025, Detroit, MI, USA
www.eds-conference.com

October 20 – 22, 2025

Jicable HVDC'25, Turin, Italy
www.hvdc25.jicable.org

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IWCS 2025, Pittsburgh, PA, USA
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