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PRYSMIAN GROUP: ALL SET TO SUPPLY SUBMARINE TELECOM CABLES FOR THE AMAZON REGION

770 KM OF SUBMARINE FIBRE OPTIC CABLES TO IMPROVE DATA CONNECTIVITY IN BRAZIL

Milan, 24 February 2021 – Prysmian Group, world leader in the energy and telecom cable systems industry, announces that is all set to supply 770 km of submarine telecom cables for the Norte Conectado project awarded by RNP, Rede Nacional de Ensino e Pesquisa, a Brazilian Internet provider, connecting the city of Macapá to Santarém and Alenquer, which are located in the north of the Amazon region.

The objective of the Norte Conectado Program is to expand and improve the communications infrastructure, network security and connectivity resilience in northern Brazil, through the implementation of a fibre optic backbone that will be installed on the beds of the Amazonian rivers. This project meets stringent environmental requirements as it is implemented in a sensitive area, where Prysmian Group will provide non-intrusive solutions by installing the cables on the riverbeds, demonstrating once again its capabilities to adapt to the customer's needs.

In particular, Prysmian will manufacture and supply 770 km of its highly valued MINISUB repeaterless, optic submarine cables with high fibre count that will be deployed in 4 separated links, enabling a reliable flow of data traffic to 9.2 million households. The MINISUB solution is one of the most widely used repeaterless submarine cable technology in the world. The cables will be produced at Prysmian's state-of-the-art production plant in Nordenham, Germany, and delivered in the second half of 2021.

"We are honoured to contribute to this valuable project and support sustainable development by improving the data connectivity for the local communities and public institutions. Prysmian has been operating in Brazil for more than 90 years and is in the unique position to serve its customers directly from there," stated Ashutosh Bhargava, Submarine Telecom BU Director, Prysmian Group. "This project confirms our expertise in providing state-of-the-art fibre optic submarine cable solutions and the great technical and commercial value propositions of our products."

Through this strategic project, Prysmian Group directly enables the connectivity across 59 municipalities located in northern Brazil, with the possibility to extend it to other Amazonian countries.

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Prysmian Group is world leader in the energy and telecom cable systems industry. With almost 140 years of experience, sales exceeding €11 billion, about 29,000 employees in over 50 countries and 106 plants, the Group is strongly positioned in high-tech markets and offers the widest possible range of products, services, technologies and know-how. It operates in the businesses of underground and submarine cables and systems for power transmission and distribution, of special cables for applications in many different industries and of medium and low voltage cables for the construction and infrastructure sectors. For the telecommunications industry, the Group manufactures cables and accessories for voice, video and data transmission, offering a comprehensive range of optical fibres, optical and copper cables and connectivity systems. Prysmian is a public company, listed on the Italian Stock Exchange in the FTSE MIB index.

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