

**PRESS RELEASE**

**PRYSMIAN AWARDED NEARLY \$20 MLN SUBMARINE CABLES PRODUCTION AND INSTALLATION CONTRACT IN ALASKA**

**SEALINK PROJECT WILL CREATE A 214-MILE FIBRE OPTIC COMMUNICATIONS CONNECTION BRINGING BROADBAND TO RURAL AREAS**

Milan, March 31<sup>st</sup> 2022. Prysmian Group, world leader in the energy and telecom cable systems industry, has been awarded a contract by Alaska Power & Telephone Company (AP&T) to supply, install and test two submarine fiber optic cable links in south-east Alaska. The SEALink project undertaken by AP&T's subsidiary AP&T Wireless (APTW) will improve communications in south-east Alaska, bringing broadband to rural areas that are currently unserved.

The SEALink project will create a 214-mile submarine fiber optic cable from Alaska's capital in Juneau to Prince of Wales Island. Prysmian Group's turnkey contract will provide a 323-km MINISUB brand cable with 36 G.652.D FO. The cable will be produced at Prysmian's Nordenham, Germany plant, one of the group's three centers of excellence for submarine cables production. Delivery is scheduled for the third quarter of 2022, with provisional acceptance by end of 2022. The turnkey project will be managed by the experienced world-renowned Projects BU.

By bringing high speed broadband to the residents of Kasaan and Coffman Cove on Prince of Wales Island for the first time, AP&T and Prysmian Group are helping the local community bridge the digital divide. The project received a grant the US government's Rural Utility Services. Residents in this remote area will be able to benefit from broadband connections to support telemedicine, distance learning, remote working, ecommerce, tourism marketing, and sharing cultural resources and knowledge.

"This is the second project with AP&T after the successful installation of the Lynn Channel Project in 2016," said Hakan Ozmen, EVP Projects BU, Prysmian Group. "We are excited to be helping AP&T support the digital transition in these remote areas of Alaska."

We are honored to be entrusted with this prestigious contract by AP&T which underscores the trust and credibility our customers have on our products and capabilities on the worldwide basis. said Ashutosh Bhargava, Global Business director Subsea Telecom of the Prysmian Group.

**Prysmian Group**

Prysmian Group is world leader in the energy and telecom cable systems industry. With almost 140 years of experience, sales of over €12 billion, about 29,000 employees in over 50 countries and 108 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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