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### LS Cable & System USA Expanding Tarboro Plant

**LS Cable & System USA**, a cable manufacturer with a plant in Tarboro NC, USA, has announced a US\$26.9 million investment to expand its Edgecombe County campus over a three-year period. This investment will increase the current manufacturing capacity and add an additional 86 employees to the current staff of 188, said **Bobby Piner**, the plant's Manager of Manufacturing.

"This expansion will allow LS Cable & System USA to meet the current and growing needs of our customer base while providing job growth opportunities for our team members in Tarboro," Piner said.

"LS Cable & System USA manufactures cable products for the fast-growing energy sector within commercial, industrial, renewable and utility markets. The Tarboro facility, a leader in production of low and medium- voltage cables, is expanding its current manufacturing capacity to meet the growing demand for products, said **Oppie Jordan**, VP of **Carolinas Gateway Partnership**. "It's always a pleasure to work with a local operation to help expand its footprint in our region." [www.lscsusa.com](http://www.lscsusa.com)



### AEI Cables Wins Cable Contract for UCH Project

**AEI Cables**, has won a major contract for the expansion of a major hospital in Hong Kong to supply fire performance and low-voltage cables. Working with its long-term Hong Kong distributor, **Fordex Electric Company Limited**, AEI Cables will supply products for power, control and fire performance on the new extension of the **United Christian Hospital (UCH)** project.

AEI's **Stuart Dover**, said, "There is a need for the highest levels of quality cabling in a building such as this where medical care relies on continuity of power supply and with many vulnerable people moving about."

**Kevin Siu**, Business Development Director of Fordex, said, "I believe the UCH project will create opportunities for us to supply to similar projects of this scale in the Hong Kong market." [www.aeicables.co.uk](http://www.aeicables.co.uk)



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• All numbers are from prices listed on the market on May 3, 2022.

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### Pekka Kleemola Named President/CEO at Luvata

The Board of Directors of **Luvata Oy**, Pori, Finland, has appointed **Pekka Kleemola** as the company's new President and CEO as of April 1, 2022. At the same time, Jussi Helavirta will retire.



Prior to his position as President and CEO, Kleemola served as Luvata's Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer. Kleemola has worked for Luvata and its predecessors for nearly 20 years in total.

[www.luvata.com](http://www.luvata.com)

### NKT Finalizes Power Cable System for World's Largest Offshore Wind Farm

NKT continues to support transition to renewable energy in the UK by completing the power cable system connecting the Hornsea 2 offshore wind farm to shore. With 1.3 GW capacity, it is the world's biggest offshore wind farm.

The Hornsea 2 offshore wind farm sits 89 km off the English east coast. It holds a central position in the transition to renewable energy in the UK and will power over 1.3 million households when fully operational.

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## "WCISA's Night Out In Germany"

The **Wire & Cable Industry Suppliers Association® (WCISA®)**, Akron, OH, USA, is hosting a member outing in Düsseldorf, Germany, on the eve of the opening of the



*wire 2022* exhibition. The event takes place on Sunday, June 19, 2022, from 6:00 to 9:00 PM, at the **Brauhaus Joh. Albrecht**, Niederkassler Strasse 104, Düsseldorf, Germany. This is a brewery and restaurant in the Niederkassel section of Düsseldorf, on the west side of the Rhein River—the same location as the last six WCISA outings in Germany. Visit the event site, Brauhaus Joh. Albrecht at: [duesseldorf.brauhaus-joh-albrecht.de](http://duesseldorf.brauhaus-joh-albrecht.de)

Foods and beverages will include German and other local appetizers and main dishes, along with homemade beers, house wines and soft drinks.

There is no charge for WCISA members and their guests. Please RSVP by May 31, 2022, at [info@wcisaonline.org](mailto:info@wcisaonline.org).

At *wire 2022*, WCISA is exhibiting in Hall 9, Stand D16-4 in the North American Pavilion, which is being co-sponsored by WCISA and **Messe Düsseldorf North America (MDNA)**. Several WCISA member companies are exhibiting at the show, in the pavilion, and on their own. [www.wcisaonline.org](http://www.wcisaonline.org)

**Brauhaus Joh. Albrecht,  
Niederkassler Strasse 104,  
Düsseldorf, Germany**



### GM recognizes Yazaki North America as a 2021 Supplier of the Year

General Motors (GM), Detroit, MI, USA, recognized Yazaki North America, Inc. as a 2021 Supplier of the Year. GM celebrated honorees at its 30<sup>th</sup> annual Supplier of the Year awards ceremony in Phoenix, AZ, USA, March 15 to 16, 2022.

GM's Supplier of the Year award recognizes global suppliers that distinguish themselves by exceeding GM's requirements, in turn providing GM customers with innovative technologies and among

the highest quality in the automotive industry. This year, GM recognized 134 suppliers from 16 countries with the Supplier of the Year distinction. This is the fifth consecutive year (ten years in total) Yazaki NA has received the award.

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### Prysmian & Exelon Strategic Partnership Earns Gold for E3X® Robot System

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## High Anticipation for Düsseldorf Trade Fairs

After a four-year COVID-related break the world's No.1 trade fairs *wire* and *Tube* will again be held concurrently at the fairgrounds in Düsseldorf, Germany from June 20 to 24, 2022.

Anticipation is high and the sectors are confident they will be able to experience five days full of technology innovations, talk to experts from all over the world and also enjoy the social part after the trade fair show hours. Especially these days, it is very important to promote communication and exchange.

The waning of the pandemic in the summer as well as internationally relaxed entry and exit regulations make it possible for exhibitors and trade visitors from all over the world to travel to trade shows in Düsseldorf again. Hygienic conditions are ensured at the entire fairgrounds and inside the halls by a large number of disinfection dispensers and a constant circulation of air, but the wearing of a mask and a conversation distance of 6' are still recommended.

Currently, 1000 exhibitors from 47 countries have registered for *wire 2022*, occupying 53,210 m<sup>2</sup> of net exhibition space. *wire 2022* will present cable manufacturing and finishing machines, process technology tools and auxiliary process technology materials as well as materials, special wires and



cables. Furthermore, innovations from the areas of measuring and control technology as well as test engineering and specialist areas will be on show. For the first time, finished products from the traditional segments of fastener and spring making technology will also be exhibited. This way, finished products such as technical springs, screws, cable strands, eyelets, etc., will also make their way into the *wire* ranges.

*wire 2022* will occupy exhibition halls 9 to 14 with the segments of wire, cable, wire products and manufacturing technology, fastener technology and spring making technology plus finished products with Hall 13 being dedicated exclusively to fastener and spring making technologies and their finished products. The large and energy-intensive mesh welding machines and related technologies will be in Hall 15.

*wire 2022* will again have strong exhibitor participation from Italy, Turkey, Spain, Belgium, France, Austria, the Netherlands, Switzerland, UK, Sweden, Poland and Germany. Regarding overseas exhibitors, registrations from the USA, Canada, South Korea, Taiwan, India, Japan and China have been received.

[www.wire-tradefair.com](http://www.wire-tradefair.com)  
[www.tube-tradefair.com](http://www.tube-tradefair.com)

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### Wrexham Mineral Cables Joins Made in Britain!

Wrexham Mineral Cables, Wrexham, UK, is delighted to have joined Made in Britain. As the UK's only manufacturer



of MICC cable, Wrexham Mineral Cables is celebrating its British origins having been granted membership to the Made in Britain organization.

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### Nexans Wins ERG Contract to Supply Sicily Wind Farms

Nexans, Paris, France, has been awarded a €6 million contract to supply ERG, Italy's leading company in the wind power sector, with a complete package of cables, accessories and engineering services to repower four Sicilian onshore wind farms (143 MW). These onshore wind farms should produce 330 GWh per year, representing consumption of 100,000 houses and 166,000 tons of CO<sub>2</sub> emissions avoided each year.

Nexans will provide more than 400 km of directly buried shock-proof MV cables with 33 kV accessories. Nexans will also provide engineering services to optimize the farm's collector design and connection to the grid.

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Prysmian and Exelon Corporation, the nation's leading competitive energy provider and strategic partner on the project, were honored during the 2022 Edison Awards Gala in Fort Myers, FL, USA, on April 21, 2022.

An example of disruptive innovation, the E3X Robot System was originally piloted in partnership with Exelon last spring on close to a mile of ComEd overhead power lines in

northern Illinois. The robot system enhances energy transmission efficiency, safety and sustainability.

[www.prysmiangroup.com](http://www.prysmiangroup.com)

### Jean-Christophe Juillard to Deputy CEO at Nexans

Nexans, Paris, France announces the appointment of Jean-Christophe Juillard as Deputy Chief Executive Officer (CEO) effective April 4, 2022.

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### SAB Bröckskes Celebrates 75-Year Anniversary

On June 4, 2022, **SAB Bröckskes GmbH & Co. KG** celebrates its 75<sup>th</sup> anniversary. When **Peter Bröckskes, Sr.** took the first step toward his own business in a small garage, nobody could know the result. Today SAB Bröckskes is a leading cable maker with 550 staff members worldwide and a turnover of over €75 million in 100 countries. In the anniversary year, SAB Bröckskes does not only look back to the beginning, but also looks forward to the future. Value-oriented action and loyal cooperation with its staff members, suppliers and customers as well as a sustainable treatment of resources characterize the family business, and are the focus of the company's thinking and action.



Although the company anniversary is shadowed by the Corona pandemic and the Ukraine war, SAB Bröckskes wishes to thank all staff members, customers and business partners who have accompanied it for decades and helped to shape its success.

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### REELEX Partners with Axjo Group to Provide Global Payout Tube Consumables

**REELEX Packaging Solutions, Inc.**, Patterson, NY, USA, the creator and licensor of REELEX® twist and tangle-free packaging for low-voltage cable and fiber optics has entered into a partnership with **Axjo Group** to manufacture, sell and distribute plastic REELEX payout tube consumables used in every REELEX package.

As a global supplier with facilities in Europe, the USA and Asia, Axjo is well-positioned to provide a reliable supply of genuine patented payout tubes to REELEX licensees around the world. "Our Axjo partnership allows us to support our global customers with payout tubes designed and tested by REELEX, including our latest REELEX AIR™ design," says **Timothy Copp**, VP of Business Development at REELEX. "As a premier suppliers of packaging consumables in the world, Axjo shares many customers as REELEX, which means Axjo is a 'one-stop-shop' for cable packaging components. With

Axjo's expertise in plastics and focus on environmentally friendly packaging, we are well-aligned to support REELEX licensees for years to come."

"We are pleased to have received the opportunity to expand our range with this type of product and make REELEX Payout tubes even greener with our Greenology Concept," says **Jacob Nilsson**, CEO/Owner of Axjo Group. Packages range from the small REELEX I payout tube suitable for small-diameter products, to the latest REELEX AIR design, which offers smaller package sizes, increased shipping efficiency, less material and improved payout. Samples are available.

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He will continue in his role of Chief Financial Officer in charge of the Finance and Information Systems.



Jean-Christophe will support Christopher Guérin, Chief Executive Officer, in the deployment of Nexans' 2022-2024 strategic roadmap. His roles and responsibilities will oversee the execution of key initiatives, as approved by the Board of Directors including operational strategy development, business turnaround and transformation, as well as budget and performance monitoring.

[www.nexans.com](http://www.nexans.com)

### Hitachi Cable America Divisions undergo management changes

Hitachi Cable America Inc. (HCA), announces the promotion of Tom Artinian to Chief Operating Officer (COO) of the Performance Cable Systems and Materials Division of HCA. Also, Paula Butkevich is now

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## WireCo® Unveils New Brand

WireCo®, Kansas City, MO, USA, and the world's leading manufacturer of mission-critical wire rope, synthetic rope and netting and electro-mechanical cable,



has recently unveiled its new brand. The new brand reflects the company's goal of driving progress and creating premium products that serve as the strength behind the world's evolution. WireCo's products span a wide range of industries including fishing, maritime, mining, energy and industrial lifting.

The company's new look represents a commitment to creating premium ropes that inspire innovation without limits through trustworthy, transformative and uncompromising methods.

WireCo has a legacy rooted in 270 years of collective experience among its rich portfolio of premium brands, allowing them to work together to address global challenges. This new direction for the company will encompass all its brands and entities.

"The world is always evolving, and we are proud to be that strength that helps our customers play a role in the

change, whether that's participating in the energy transition, being a core part of landscape-changing infrastructure projects or helping care for the environment,"

**Keith White**, CEO, said. "Our new branding better reflects the our strategic direction and goals of being a forward-thinking, innovative company."

Key rebrand elements include a new logo with a shape based on the rope manufacturing process. The lines come together to symbolize how WireCo's brands work together, and how the its business pillars unite to drive progress in the some of the world's most established and innovative industries.

New brand colors in the new logo represent WireCo's commitment to sustainability and to continuous improvement.

And a new website creates a more user-friendly experience, featuring a refreshed look that reflects the new forward-thinking direction of the company.

For more information about WireCo and its product lines, visit:

[www.wireco.com](http://www.wireco.com)

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### Medium Voltage Cable Market Analysis & Forecast

The "Medium Voltage Cable Market by Voltage, Product, Installation, and End User: Global Opportunity Analysis and Industry Forecast, 2021-2030" report from **ResearchAndMarkets.com** is now available.

Per the report, the global medium-voltage cable market size was valued at US\$28.5 billion in 2020, and is projected to reach US\$49.1 billion by 2030, growing at 5.6% CAGR from 2021 to 2030. Rise in demand for mobile and lap tops in this decade led to increase in demand for wired chargers, which act as the major driving factor for the market. Surge in demand for electric vehicle also boosts this demand. Also, every country is planning to transform the crude vehicle into electric and this has led to more demand for medium-voltage cable and may act as the major driving factor for market growth. Furthermore, the governments of every country provide subsidies such as the governments of India and Japan want new cars to be electrified to become carbon neutral by 2050. As a result, electric vehicles have become more of a necessity for the countries to meet these targets. To learn more, visit:

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Senior VP of Sales and Business Development, reporting to Lynne Humenik, President and CEO. Robert Overton has been promoted to Senior VP of Engineering &

Operations, reporting to Tom Artinian, COO.

**Hitachi Cable America Inc.** Jim Stocking

has accepted the role of Executive Director of Operations with over 30 years' experience in the wire and cable industry.

Michelle Ferero is now the Vice President of Human Resources for Hitachi Cable America.

John DiSalvo will be joining Hitachi Cable America as Vice President of Finance for the High Performance Medical Solutions Division and the Performance Cable Systems and

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### The DOE CABLE Stage 2 Information Webinar Takes Place on May 17, 2022

For those who are considering competing in the Stage 2 of the CABLE Conductor Manufacturing Prize, by the **U.S. Department of Energy (DOE)**, please take advantage of the informational webinar taking place on May 17, 2022, at 3 PM ET!

During the webinar the DOE will give participants an overview of submission requirements, scoring criteria and how to link up with American-Made Network Connectors. Competitors will also have an opportunity to ask questions.



If you can't make it to the webinar, you can find the full webinar recording on the Resources page after the event, or you can always post a question to the public Forum to gather feedback from the community and prize administrator.

Get your questions ready and register now for the DOE CABLE Prize Informational Webinar on May 17, 2022.

[www.energy.gov](http://www.energy.gov)

Materials Division. Steve Schaeffer has been promoted to Director of Logistics. And Sherry Moulton has now been promoted to purchasing supervisor. Also, Semko Bukvic will be assuming the interim Process Engineering Manager role.

[www.hca.hitachi-cable.com](http://www.hca.hitachi-cable.com)

### Harbour Industries receives M25038/3 QPL qualification

Harbour Industries LLC, Shelburne, VT, USA, a Marmon Berkshire Hath-

away company, has achieved qualification to MIL-DTL-25038/3 from the Department of Defense, Defense Logistics Agency. With a continuous operating temperature rating up



to 260°C, AeroPOWER® Firezone M25038/3 wire and cable are high-temp solutions with fire-resistant insulation for harsh environments such as aircraft engines. Harbour's QPL includes gauge sizes 22 thru 12, with color code options per MIL-DTL-25038's slant sheet. The flight-critical cables meet or exceed industry standards for weight and space, and remaining fire-resistant for 15 minutes at 2000°F.

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### Brugg Cables successfully completes a 320 kV high-voltage DC type test

Brugg Cables is the first cable accessory manufacturer, to successfully complete a 320 kV high voltage

DC type test, according to the IEC 62895 standard independently of the cable manufacturer. For our client, Iljin Electric from South Korea, where the shift towards renewable energy has recently become the central part of the energy policy, the final pre-qualification test at the KEMA labs in Mannheim, Germany has started.

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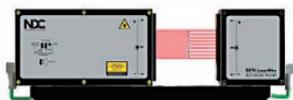
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## Southwire & Atlanta Braves: New Offices & Partnership

**Southwire**, Carrollton, GA, USA, a leading North American wire and cable producer and an emerging influence in the electrical industry, will soon open office space at **The Battery Atlanta** in Cobb County, adjacent to **Truist Park**, home of the Atlanta Braves. Southwire signed a deal for roughly 23,000 ft<sup>2</sup> of offices, meeting rooms, workstations and multipurpose space.

Southwire has had a presence in metro Atlanta for several years with a Southwire Commuter Hub in Cobb County and The Spark innovation center on Georgia Tech's campus.

While expanding its presence in metro Atlanta gives the company a competitive edge for talent recruitment and re-

tention, Southwire remains committed to each of its existing communities, and the company continues to drive the electrical industry forward.

Throughout its more than seven decades in business, Southwire has upheld a strong commitment to service, quality and innovation. The new office space and partnership with the Atlanta Braves serve as a culmination of these three objectives. [www.southwire.com](http://www.southwire.com)



## Sales & Net Income Table

Company	Sales	%Δ	Net Income (Net Loss)	%Δ
Amphenol Corporation	2952	24.2	429	29.4
Carlisle Companies Incorporated	1496	59.0	194	270.9
Carpenter Technology Corporation	489	41.5	(8)	81.5
Encore Wire Corporation	723	62.8	162	292.2
Freeport-McMoRan	6603	36.1	1527	12.7
Insteel Industries Inc.	213	53.3	39	161.5
Hexatronic Group AB*	1389	118.7	121	209.2
TE Connectivity Ltd.	4007	7.2	560	10.7

Latest Quarterly Sales/Net Income data in US\$ millions. % Δ relative to 2021 quarterly data. \*Millions of Swedish kronas

the prequalification test, which was surveyed by the German FGH certification company, the components will be ready to meet all the requirements of international power grid operators.

Brugg Cables stands for integrated solutions, competence and Switzerland-based quality in power transmission and power distribution technology.

Find additional information at the Brugg Cables website.

[www.bruggcables.com](http://www.bruggcables.com)

## Quarterly Dividends Report...

- **Carpenter Technology Corp.**, Philadelphia, PA, USA, declared a quarterly cash dividend of US\$0.20/share on common stock, payable June 2, 2022, to holders of record on May 3, 2022. [ir.carpentertechnology.com](http://ir.carpentertechnology.com)
- **Corning Inc.**, Corning, NY, USA, declared a quarterly dividend of US\$0.27/share on common stock, payable June 29, 2022, to holders of record on May 31, 2022. [www.corning.com](http://www.corning.com)
- **Prysmian Group**, Milan, Italy, declared a dividend of €0.55/share, payable April 21, 2022, with record date on April 20, 2022, and ex-dividend date on April 19, 2022. [www.prysmiangroup.com](http://www.prysmiangroup.com)

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### GCG Acquires Novalight

Wire/cable automation solutions provider, **GCG**, has acquired **Novalight Telecom Supply**, a nationwide supplier of products and materials for the construction/maintenance of fiber optic and copper networks. Novalight, Jasper, GA, USA, has served the needs of telecom enterprises for 20 years. Novalight will be a part of the GCG Communications segment focused on telecom and broadband customers.

[www.genuinecable.com](http://www.genuinecable.com)

### HELUKABEL Acquires Sangel Systemtechnik

**HELUKABEL Group** has acquired **Sangel Systemtechnik GmbH**, with its headquarters in Bielefeld, Germany and another location in Plovdiv, Bulgaria. Since its foundation in 1996, Sangel Systemtechnik

has developed into one of the leading manufacturers of high-quality industrial cable assemblies and complete system assemblies for machine and plant construction. For HELUKABEL, the acquisition is a further step towards broadening its product portfolio and becoming a systems provider.

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