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BELDEN® FIBEREXPRESS® ULTRA PATCH PANEL SYSTEM OFFERS ULTRA HIGH DENSITY, PLUS EASE OF INSTALLATION AND MAINTENANCE

RICHMOND, IN – Belden, a world leader in the development of signal transmission solutions for wired and wireless enterprise networks, as well as the broadcast, industrial, residential and building management/security markets, announces the launch of its *FiberExpress*® Ultra Patch Panel System, an innovative new fiber patching system designed to support its world-class Belden IBDN *FiberExpress* Structured Cabling Solution. The new *FiberExpress* Ultra Patch Panel System will be available in April.

Offering ultra high density combined with multiple user-friendly features, the Belden *FiberExpress* Ultra Patch Panel System responds to the growing trend towards increased deployment of optical fiber cabling solutions to support higher transmission speeds in backbone infrastructures and data centers. The new patching system is cost-effective, highly reliable, and engineered to deliver flexibility and ease of maintenance in a multitude of patching applications – from the data center and telecommunications room, to the high-speed links that transmit high quality voice, data and video to users' desktops in offices, campuses, broadcast facilities, and on factory floors.

Suitable for use anywhere that interconnections or splicing of optical fiber occurs, the Belden *FiberExpress* Ultra Patch Panel System offers the following features and benefits:

- ***Ultra high density***, to maximize floor and rack space and provide scalability for future expansion, while being extremely protective of the optical fiber cables and connectors.
- ***Easy installation and maintenance***, to save on labor costs and provide quick, convenient access to system components to facilitate moves, adds and changes without disrupting network operations.
- ***Optimum flexibility***, to handle a wide variety of fiber optic installation environments, as well as current and future bandwidth-intensive applications and technologies.
- ***Built-in manageability***, to facilitate connector and patch cord identification, protection, routing, and cable management.

As the cornerstone of Belden's *FiberExpress* Solution, the new *FiberExpress* Ultra Patch Panel System integrates seamlessly with all *FiberExpress* cables, connectors and management components. The *FiberExpress* Ultra Patch Panel System supports LC, SC, ST-Compatible and other connector adapter modules, which can be mixed and matched within the panel for optimal convenience and flexibility. Secure locking and keyed options are available, as are wall-mount solutions for additional space-savings in backbone interconnect installations.

For more information about the Belden *FiberExpress* Ultra Patch Panel System and IBDN *FiberExpress* Structured Cable solutions, contact Belden, P.O. Box 1980, Richmond, Indiana 47375, or call 1.800.BELDEN.1. FAX: 765.983.5294. Or visit the Web site: www.belden.com.

About Belden IBDN FiberExpress Solutions

The Belden IBDN FiberExpress Structured Cabling Solution is a complete high-performance, end-to-end cabling system that consists of a full range of fiber cables, connectivity hardware, patch cords, cable assemblies, connectors and work area outlets. Designed for superior performance and faster, less complex installation, Belden FiberExpress Solutions ensure smooth operation and efficient management of fiber networks, while reducing total cost of ownership and facilitating future changes.

About Belden

Belden is a leader in the design, manufacture, and marketing of signal transmission solutions for data networking and a wide range of specialty electronics markets including entertainment, industrial, building management and aerospace applications. Belden has manufacturing facilities in North America, Asia and Europe as well as distribution centers in the U.S., Canada, Singapore, Australia and The Netherlands. A majority of Belden's manufacturing, engineering and support functions are registered to the International Organization for Standardization.