

News Release

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BELDEN® ADDS NEW INDOOR/OUTDOOR TIGHT BUFFER DISTRIBUTION CABLES TO IBDN FIBEREXPRESS® LINE

RICHMOND, IN – Belden, a world leader in the development of signal transmission solutions for wired and wireless enterprise networks, as well as broadcast, industrial, residential and security markets, announces the addition of a new series of Indoor/Outdoor Tight Buffer Distribution Cables to its Belden IBDN FiberExpress® line of fiber optic cabling solutions. The new 900 µm tight buffered fiber optic cables are fully compliant with the industry standard specification ICEA S-104696 (Standard for Indoor/Outdoor Optical Fiber Cable).

Designed to fulfill the structured cabling requirements of the building and campus networking markets, Belden's Indoor/Outdoor Tight Buffer Distribution cables are easier to install and faster to terminate than loose tube cables. They are UL Riser and Plenum rated OFNR/OFNP and are well-suited for duct and aerial installations, with no need for costly transition points at the building entrance. The new cables complement Belden's existing line of FiberExpress Loose Tube Fiber Optic cables, offering users greater flexibility in selecting the most appropriate optical fiber cables for their specific applications.

Belden's Indoor/Outdoor Tight Buffer Distribution cables are designed and constructed to ensure they are rugged enough to withstand harsh environmental and mechanical conditions. Their construction consists of 900 µm color-coded buffered fibers surrounded by water-swallowable aramid strength members, with a ripcord, under an overall UV-resistant, flame-retardant black jacket. For cables with fiber counts over 24, bundles of 6 or 12 fibers are utilized. An overall water-swallowable tape barrier provides additional water-blocking to protect the interstices from axial moisture migration.

Available with fiber counts from 6 to 48, the new series of Indoor/Outdoor Tight Buffer Distribution cables includes a selection of 62.5/125 and 50/125 Multi-Mode cables and a Single-Mode Enhanced cable. They are also available in Breakout constructions. In addition, several options are available for special order, including aluminum or steel interlock armor, LSZH Riser rated construction, and a selection of UV-resistant colored jackets.

For more information about Belden 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

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.