



Press release

Nexans will supply fiber optic submarine cables for International Telecom

The COGIM ring system will be an important link for provision of Internet services in Canada

Paris, June 14, 2004 – Nexans, the worldwide leader in the cable industry, has been chosen by International Telecom Inc. to supply the fiber optic submarine cables of the ring system (COGIM*) that will connect “La Gaspésie” with les “Îles-de-la Madeleine”, in Canada.

The contract, signed by International Telecom Inc. with RICEIM for the provision of this ring system (COGIM*), includes supply and installation of transmission equipment and cables and will be an important link for provision of Internet services in the area.

Nexans will provide two cable segments plus spares for future maintenance of the system. The total quantity exceeds 450 km, and the respective segments will be supplied in continuous cable lengths of 217 and 221 km respectively. The fiber optic submarine cables for the COGIM project are manufactured at Nexans’ plant in Rognan, North of the Arctic circle in Norway.

‘We have chosen Nexans for its leadership and technological excellence in the fiber optic submarine cables sector, says John Graham, Vice President International Telecom Inc.

“We are very proud to have won this contract, which will contribute to expand Internet services in this part of the world”, said Yvon Raak, Member of Nexans’ Executive Committee.

About Nexans

Nexans is the worldwide leader in the cable industry. The Group brings an extensive range of advanced copper and optical fiber cable solutions to the infrastructure, industry and building markets. Nexans cables and cabling systems can be found in every area of people’s lives, from telecommunications and energy networks, to aeronautics, aerospace, automobile, railways, building, petrochemical, medical applications, etc. With an industrial presence in 29 countries and commercial activities in 65 countries, Nexans employs 17,000 people and had sales in 2003 of euros 4 billion. Nexans is listed on the Paris stock exchange. More information on www.nexans.com

About COGIM

* COGIM is a ring system connecting La Gaspésie with les Îles-de-la-Madeleine in Canada. The system consists of two submarine cables comprising 24 optical G.652 fibers. Both terrestrial cables, at each end of the system will comprise 48 fibers of the same type. Initially, one fiber pair will be used in each submarine cable to setup a 2.5 Gbit/s SONET fiber ring.

About International Telecom

International Telecom Inc. is an engineering and installation firm dedicated to providing technical solutions to the telecom and power industries worldwide. Based in Montreal, Canada, with offices in North America and Europe, International Telecom provides turnkey cable and transmission systems.

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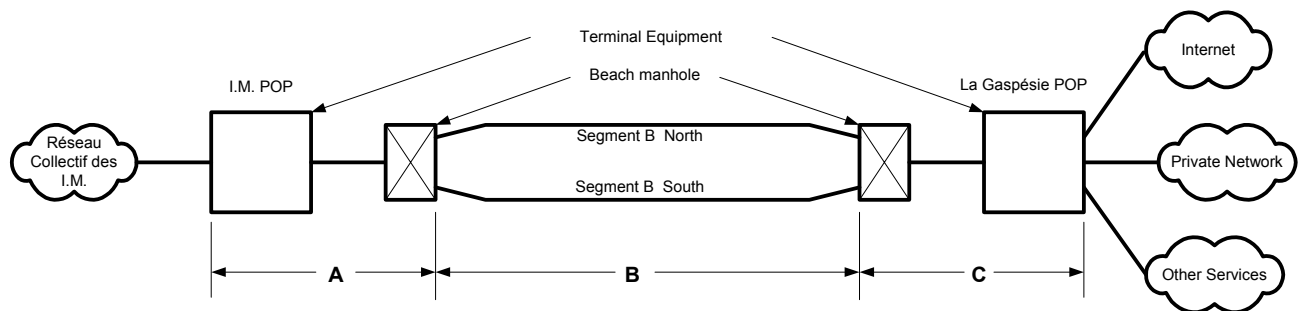
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A : Îles-de-la-Madeleine terrestrial Segment

B : Submarine Segment

C : La Gaspésie Terrestrial Segment