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Comtran Cable honored by Cabling Installation & Maintenance 2016 Innovators Awards Program

Attleboro, MA – Comtran Cable, a leading manufacturer of high performance data and specialty communications cable, is pleased to announce their DEFENSE-LINK™ Category 5e cable was recognized by the judges of the annual Cabling Installation & Maintenance Innovators Awards program. The judging panel consisted of cabling and communications system specifiers, designers, integrators, and managers with vast professional experience.

Comtran was honored with a Silver-level award. Using various resources from Comtran's sister companies including RSCC Wire and Cable, Marmon Aerospace & Defense, Marmon Information & Technology Center, Gendon Polymers, and two NRTL Labs, Comtran developed DEFENSE-LINK™ Category 5e cable designed for use on US Navy vessels. Launched in late 2015, DEFENSE-LINK™ cable is designed to handle the rigors associated with combat conditions on the high seas and supports instrumentation, video, surveillance, and communications throughout the ship. The development process included countless trials and collaborative product development efforts from all of the organizations involved, but ultimately resulted in a successful cable compliant to MIL-DTL-24643.

According to Bruce Sinnott, Director of Business Development, "Without the coordination of all organizations that provided valuable support during the design, manufacturing, and testing, this project would not have been a success. Since DEFENSE-LINK™ Cat 5e cable has been successfully released, Comtran is now pursuing the next generation of Military Data Cables."

Alan Bergstein, publisher of Cabling Installation & Maintenance (<http://www.cablinginstall.com>) said "This prestigious program allows Cabling Installation & Maintenance to celebrate and recognize the most innovative products and services in the structured cabling industry. Our 2016 Honorees are an outstanding example of companies who are making an impact in the industry."

The Innovators Awards are judged based on the following criteria:

- Innovative
- Value to the User
- Sustainability
- Meeting a Defined Need
- Collaboration
- Impact

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The 2016 Cabling Installation & Maintenance Innovators Awards Honorees are featured on the October Issue of Cabling Installation & Maintenance magazine as well as on <http://www.cablinginstall.com>.

About Cabling Installation & Maintenance

Published since 1993, Cabling Installation & Maintenance has provided practical information to professionals responsible for the specification, design, installation and management of structured cabling systems in enterprises, data centers and campuses. Cabling Installation & Maintenance's magazine, website (<http://www.cablinginstall.com>), email newsletters and webcasts help cabling professionals improve day-to-day operations and enable strategic planning for their networks' optimum long-term performance

About The Cabling Installation & Maintenance 2016 Innovators Awards program

The Cabling Installation & Maintenance 2016 Innovators Awards program reviews and recognizes the most-innovative applications of cabling and communications technology products and systems within the structured cabling industry. Platinum, Gold and Silver Honorees were announced at BICSI's 2016 Fall Conference in San Antonio on Monday, September 12, 2016. Criteria used in the Innovators Awards ranking included: innovation, value, sustainability, collaboration, and impact.

About Comtran Cable

Comtran Cable is a leading manufacturer of standard and ruggedized specialty data and signal transmission cables including category cables for structured cabling as well as telecom, fire safety, circuit integrity and other high performance applications. Comtran is a member of Marmon Engineered Wire & Cable, part of Marmon Group, a Berkshire Hathaway company.

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