

CELESTICA RECOGNIZES EXCELIGHT COMMUNICATIONS / SUMITOMO
ELECTRIC INDUSTRIES WITH FIRST-YEAR GLOBAL SUPPLIER AWARD

Durham, NC – ExceLight Communications, Inc today announced it was awarded a first-year *Partners in Performance* award by Celestica, a world leader in electronics manufacturing services (EMS), for its contribution to the company in 2003.

“ExceLight Communications, along with our parent company Sumitomo Electric Industries, is proud to be recognized by Celestica,” said Yuji Hamasaki, CEO and President of ExceLight Communications. “Our goal has always been reliability in every aspect of our business. From high-performance optical products, to innovative logistics for a reliable supply chain, to exceptional responsiveness, we’re committed to keeping customers like Celestica competitive. The global presence of Sumitomo Electric Industries allows us to provide high levels of support and service to Celestica worldwide. We are pleased to contribute to Celestica’s success and look forward to continuing our strong relationship in the future.”

Celestica’s *Partners in Performance* awards are given annually to the company’s suppliers, in recognition of their support of Celestica’s supply chain management objectives and dedication to customer service. The 2003 *Partners in Performance* winners demonstrated flexibility and responsiveness, impact on asset management, effectiveness and efficiency, and overall performance excellence.

“As a recognized leader in quality, technology and supply chain management, Celestica’s key suppliers contribute significantly to the company’s overall success in the EMS industry,” said Robert Shanks, Chief Supply Chain and Procurement Officer, Celestica. “We’re proud to recognize ExceLight Communications / Sumitomo Electric Industries with a first-year *Partners in Performance* award and we value their contribution immensely.”

About ExceLight Communications

ExceLight Communications, Inc., a subsidiary of Sumitomo Electric Industries, is a leading provider of optical components and modules to the telecom, CATV, broadband, and data communications markets. ExceLight offers a comprehensive array of transceivers, transmitters, receivers, lasers, photodiodes, and passive components. Sumitomo's world-class research and manufacturing capabilities in optical technology continue to expand and strengthen the product portfolio while maintaining industry-leading levels of reliability. The well-established global presence of Sumitomo allows us to provide integrated support to customer facilities throughout the world. www.excelight.com

About Sumitomo Electric Industries, Ltd.

Sumitomo Electric Industries, Ltd. (SEI) designs, manufactures and sells optical fiber, cable and components, advanced electronic devices, and automotive parts. Through a successful strategy of research and diversification, SEI has become one of the world's leading companies at the forefront of the revolution in information and communications. The company has operations around the world in more than 25 countries and employs 80,000 people. SEI reported group net sales of 1,489 billion yen for the year ended March 2003. www.sei.co.jp

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