

PanGen Recognized for Innovation in Annual Awards

Tinley Park, IL & Highland Heights, KY – September 12, 2018 – Panduit and General Cable – one of three distinct commercial brands (Prysmian, Draka and General Cable) of the Prysmian Group – walked away with three awards yesterday in the annual Cabling Installation & Maintenance Cabling Innovators Awards. The Panduit-General Cable partnership (PanGen®) provided the structured cabling infrastructure for a connected lighting project at The Waldinger Corporation in Iowa, which was recognized by judges as a Platinum honoree – the highest award given.

The PanGen partnership also received two Gold awards:

- **Next Generation Category 6A Copper Cable** a new offering from both Panduit and General Cable, which boasts an outside diameter of 0.250 inch, making it the world's smallest Category 6A cable
- **Children's Health** Andrews Institute for Orthopaedics and Sports Medicine in Plano, Texas; a new hospital project which features a wealth of technology-enhanced care, which is enabled by a PanGen structured cabling solution

The Platinum-winning Waldinger Corporation project features LED lighting powered via Power over Ethernet (PoE), an application that delivers both data and power via a single twisted-pair cable. The project resulted in improved lighting performance, as well as control and intelligence. The project includes the GENISYS® PoE Lighting System from Innovative Lighting and is installed on a PanGen structured cabling platform.

The Plano, Texas, pediatric hospital project also features a PanGen structured cabling solution, which enables a wide variety of technology-enhanced applications to treat pediatric athletes.

Panduit and General Cable introduced the next generation of Category 6A copper cabling earlier this year. The award-winning solution delivers the smallest cable diameter (0.250") in a Category 6A cable, which leads to improved pathway capacity and easier installation. Two versions of the cable are available. One has a solid barrier tape and the second has a barrier tape that is cut into segments of varying length, providing the added benefit of delivering the best EMI immunity in an unshielded cable.

"It is rewarding to be recognized by the structured cabling industry as innovators," said Craig Snyder, Director of Telecom Business, BU Multimedia Solutions in North America, General Cable. "Our new Category 6A cable breaks the stereotype of Category 6A cable as being big, bulky, and difficult to work with. We hear over and over how this cable is simplifying life for our installers. It is easy to work with, without compromising performance."

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General Cable Contact: Charlie Schicht (800) 526-4391 corpcommoffice@generalcable.com "Panduit has a history of innovation, which has consistently been recognized by the CI&M judges during this annual awards program," said Panduit's Tom Kelly, Vice President of the Enterprise business. "It is more important than ever to have a high-quality structured cabling system in place to support new applications. We're excited to be part of cutting-edge projects like these, with products that make a difference."

The judging panel consisted of cabling and communications system specifiers, designers, integrators and managers with vast professional experience. Submittals were judged based on the following criteria:

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

The 2018 Cabling Installation & Maintenance Innovators Awards Honorees are featured in the November Issue of Cabling Installation & Maintenance magazine as well as on http://www.cablinginstall.com.

About Panduit:

Since 1955, Panduit's culture of curiosity and passion for problem solving have enabled more meaningful connections between companies' business goals and their marketplace success. Panduit creates leading-edge physical, electrical, and network infrastructure solutions for enterprise-wide environments, from the data center to the telecom room, from the desktop to the plant floor. Headquartered in Tinley Park, IL and operating in 112 global locations, Panduit's proven reputation for quality and technology leadership, coupled with a robust partner ecosystem, help support, sustain, and empower business growth in a connected world. Learn more about Panduit.

About General Cable:

Based in Highland Heights, KY, General Cable is one of three distinct commercial brands (Prysmian, Draka and General Cable) of the Prysmian Group. In July 2018, the merger between General Cable and Prysmian Group was finalized resulting in combined global operations that include 112 plants, 25 R&D centers and over 30,000 employees in 50+ countries. In 2017, Prysmian Group's combined net sales totaled over \$12 billion. With almost 140 years of experience, the Group is strongly positioned in high-tech markets and offers the widest possible range of products, services, technologies and know-how. Prysmian Group is a public company, listed on the Italian Stock Exchange in the FTSE MIB index. Additional information is available at prysmiangroup.com.

About PanGen:

Since 2004, Panduit and General Cable's world-class partnership has provided high-performance infrastructure solutions, guaranteed network performance and system reliability. Combining the technological expertise and innovation of Panduit connectivity and General Cable cabling products, PanGen Structured Cabling Solutions encompass a wide range of world-class copper and fiber products, all backed by the PanGen Certification Plus™ System Warranty. Learn more about PanGen.

About Prysmian Group North America

Based in Highland Heights, KY, Prysmian Group North America operates in the United States and Canada. In July 2018, the Group finalized the merger with General Cable resulting in combined operations that include 23 plants, 5 R&D centers and over 5,800 employees. In 2017, Prysmian Group North America's combined net sales totaled \$3.5 billion. The Group is strongly positioned in high-tech markets and offers the widest possible range of products, services, technologies and know-how. A world leader in the design, manufacture and sale of wire and cable products, Prysmian Group North America's business units include power distribution, specialty, telecoms, trade & installers and energy projects (HV). From a cable producer supplying to several industries, to a technology enabler making progress happen, the Group provides customers and communities worldwide with cable solutions based on state-of-the-art technology, consistent excellence in execution and in-depth understanding of the needs of an evolving market. We drive the flow of energy and information everywhere to enable and sustain human achievement everywhere. Prysmian Group is a public company, listed on the Italian Stock Exchange in the FTSE MIB index. Additional information is available at prysmiangroup.com

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responsible for the specification, design, installation and management of structured cabling systems in enterprises, data centers and campuses. Cabling Installation & Maintenance's magazine, website (<u>cablinginstall.com</u>), 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 2018 Innovators Awards program:

The Cabling Installation & Maintenance 2018 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 2018 Fall Conference in San Antonio, TX on Tuesday, September 11, 2018. Criteria used in the Innovators Awards ranking included: innovation, value, sustainability, collaboration, and impact.

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