Communiqué de presse

Gordon Thursfield, Executive Vice-President North America Area, joins Nexans Executive Committee

Paris, February 1, 2007 - Nexans, the worldwide leader in the cable industry, announces the appointment of Gordon Thursfield, Executive Vice-President North America Area, as Member of the Executive Committee, effective February 1st, 2007.

Gordon Thursfield obtained a Bachelor of Science at the University of Sheffield, followed by a Ph.D in Metallurgy and Materials Science from St John's College, University of Cambridge (United-Kingdom). He started his career in research and development, and manufacturing management with Tube Investments Ltd, in the UK. He transferred to Canada in 1983 as Operations Manager for the Power Cable Division of Canada Wire and Cable. Canada Wire and Cable was acquired by Alcatel in 1991 and became Nexans in 2000. From 1983 to 2000, he held different positions such as General Manager responsible for all manufacturing operations in Canada, Vice-President and General Manager for the Energy group and, from 1991, President of the Energy Cables Division. In 2000, he was appointed President of Nexans Canada and Country Manager for North America. Gordon Thursfield currently serves on the Boards of Electro-Federation Canada and NEMA (National Electrical Manufacturers Association) He recently completed a 6-year term as Director of the Electrical Safety Authority of Ontario (a non-profit organization).

Nexans Executive Committee is now composed of 9 members:

- Gerard Hauser - Chairman and CEO
- Frédéric Vincent - Chief Operating Officer

- Véronique Guillot-Pelpel - Senior Corporate Vice President Human Resources and Communications
- Michel Lemaire - Executive Vice President Asia-Pacific Area
- Frédéric Michelland - Chief Financial Officer
- Pascal Portevin - Executive Vice President Strategic Operations
- Yvon Raak - Executive Vice President Europe Area
- Bruno Thomas - Executive Vice President Rest of the World Area
- Gordon Thursfield, Executive Vice-President North America Area

About Nexans

With energy cables as its core, Nexans, the worldwide leader in the cable industry, offers an extensive range of cables (copper, aluminum and optical fiber) and cabling systems. The Group's strategy is focused on infrastructure, industrial and construction markets. Nexans develops solutions for industry sectors such as shipbuilding, oil and gas, nuclear, automotive, electronics, aeronautics, handling and automation and includes an offering dedicated to public and private (local area) telecommunications networks.

With an industrial presence in more than 30 countries and commercial activities worldwide, Nexans employs 21,000 people and had sales in 2006 of 7.5 billion euros. Nexans is listed on the Paris stock exchange, compartment A of the Eurolist of Euronext. More information on http://www.nexans.com/

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