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## **DRAKA COMTEQ RECEIVES MAJOR FTTH CONTRACT FROM ILIAD TO CONNECT EVERY HOME IN PARIS**

Draka Comteq B.V. has been chosen by the group Iliad, the leading French Internet and telecommunications provider for triple play solutions, to supply a state-of-the-art Fibre-To-The-Home (FTTH) network in Paris. The project, which is expected to take 24 months to complete, will make super-fast broadband available to some 2.1 million people living in the area, offering them very high transmission speeds. The group Iliad plans to provide around one million total connections. Paris is just the first phase of what is expected a longer-term programme.

### **CUSTOM-DESIGNED SOLUTION**

Under the agreement, Draka Comteq will supply the group Iliad with two million kilometres of advanced optical fibre and innovative cables designed to be deployed rapidly and to resist the adverse conditions of sewer environments. Draka Comteq, which developed the solution specifically for Iliad, will also provide a suite of associated connectivity components, designed for safety and their ease of installation, as well as training.

"Draka Comteq is delighted to have been chosen by Iliad as its partner on this project," said Sandy Lyons, CEO of Draka Comteq. "This is a prestigious project in which we can continue to demonstrate our ability to understand and respond to the needs of our customers. It is especially pleasing since we were chosen for our technological leadership and ability to deliver a complete FTTH solution."

The agreement with Iliad comes on top of a number of other recent FTTH wins for Draka Comteq and demonstrates its position as the European leader in the field of FTTH solutions.

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(pre-trading)****Company profiles****About Draka Holding N.V.**

*Draka Holding N.V. is the holding company of a number of operating companies which are engaged worldwide in the development, production and sale of cable and cable systems. Draka has subdivided its activities into two groups: Draka Cableteq, which is responsible for the low-voltage and special-purpose cable activities, and Draka Comteq, which handles the communication cable activities.*

*Within these two groups the activities have been split up into divisions. Draka Cableteq comprises the Elevator Products, Low-Voltage Cable, Marine, Oil & Gas, Mobile Network Cable, Rubber Cable and Transport divisions, while Draka Comteq is active in the Telecommunication Cable, Data Communication Cable and Optical Fibre market segments.*

*Draka has 65 operating companies in 26 countries throughout Europe, North and South America, Asia and Australia. The Company has a flat, decentralised organisational structure with short lines of communication. The divisions enjoy a large measure of autonomy and independent responsibility for their revenue and profits. Worldwide the Draka companies have some 8,475 employees. The head office of Draka Holding N.V. is established in Amsterdam. In 2005, Draka achieved a turnover of € 1.9 billion and a net income of € 6.5 million (excluding non-recurring items).*

*Draka Holding N.V. ordinary shares and subordinated convertible bonds are listed on Euronext Amsterdam. In 2001, the Company was included in the Next150 index and since 2 March 2005 it has formed part of the AScX-index (Amsterdam Small Cap index). Since 8 July 2002, options on Draka shares have also been traded on the Euronext Amsterdam Derivative Markets.*

*Further details may be found on our website: [www.draka.com](http://www.draka.com)*

**About Iliad**

*The Iliad Group is a major player in the Internet and telecommunications markets in France through its subsidiaries Free (the leading alternative broadband operator with 1,905,000 broadband subscribers as at 30/06/2006), OneTel and Iliad Telecom (fixed telephony operators) and Kertel (prepaid phone cards), as well as IFW (WiMax). The Iliad Group was established in 1991 and currently has more than 1,300 employees. The Iliad Group is listed on the Euronext Paris Eurolist under the mnemonic code ILD.*

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