



Tyco Electronics and Bel Stewart Connector Sign Second-Source Agreement for the RJ Point Five Connector

GLEN ROCK, Pa., May 05, 2010 (BUSINESS WIRE) -- Tyco Electronics Corporation (NYSE: TEL) and **Bel Stewart Connector**, a division of **Bel Fuse Inc. (NASDAQ: BELFA) (NASDAQ: BELFB)**, today announced a second-source agreement that grants Bel Stewart Connector the rights to manufacture, market and sell Tyco Electronics' new next-generation RJ *point five* connector.

"We previously worked with Bel Stewart Connector on second-source arrangements and are pleased that they will be a supplier for the RJ *point five* connector," says Dennis Renaud, Tyco Electronics' vice president of product management. "Our primary focus is to provide customers with a dependable second source for this new interface, and we strongly believe that Bel Stewart has the full capacity to fill this role."

The synergy between Tyco Electronics, a global leader in precision-engineered electronic components, and Bel Stewart Connector, a leading designer/manufacturer of high-quality, high-performance interconnect products, provides OEM manufacturers with two credible, reliable sources for the RJ *point five* connector. The two companies, both with well established global footprints, are able to offer the market a cost-effective connector solution for higher I/O port density used in both integrated and non-integrated magnetic systems.

"Bel Stewart has a strong interest in teaming with technology-leading companies, like Tyco Electronics, as it allows us to expand our product breadth through cooperation and collaboration," says Jeff Biss, product manager of passive jacks at Bel Stewart Connector. "The OEM community benefits from this kind of multi-sourced approach, which also increases our scope of service to the market overall."

Tyco Electronics' RJ *point five* connector offers double the port density of the traditional RJ-45 Ethernet link while maintaining field termination capability. The module design of the connector provides greater flexibility to accommodate specific application requirements. The product supports gigabit speeds of Cat5E UTP cable, in integrated and non-integrated magnetic solutions, with a roadmap to support PoE+ and 10GBASE-T over Cat 6a cable.

For more information on the RJ *point five* connector, visit <http://www.tycoelectronics.com/products/RJpointfiveGO> . For product information at Bel Stewart visit <http://www.BelStewart.com> or contact techhelp@belf.com.

ABOUT BEL

Bel (www.belfuse.com) and its subsidiaries are primarily engaged in the design, manufacture and sale of products used in networking, telecommunications, high speed data transmission, commercial aerospace, military, transportation and consumer electronics. Products include magnetics (discrete components, power transformers and MagJack(R)s), modules (DC/DC converters, integrated analog front end modules and custom designs), circuit protection (miniature, micro and surface mount fuses) and interconnect devices (micro, circular and filtered D-Sub connectors, passive jacks, plugs and high-speed cable assemblies). Bel operates facilities around the world.

ABOUT TYCO ELECTRONICS

Tyco Electronics Ltd. is a leading global provider of engineered electronic components, network solutions, specialty products and undersea telecommunication systems, with fiscal 2009 sales of US\$10.3 billion to customers in more than 150 countries. We design, manufacture and market products for customers in a broad array of industries including automotive; data communication systems and consumer electronics; telecommunications; aerospace, defense and marine; medical; energy; and lighting. With approximately 7,000 engineers and worldwide manufacturing, sales and customer service capabilities, Tyco Electronics' commitment is our customers' advantage. More information on Tyco Electronics can be found at <http://www.tycoelectronics.com/>.

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