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OT and FICOSA reveal an emergency call system for the russian automotive market at MWC 2014

Oberthur Technologies, a world leader in digital security solutions for the mobility space, and FICOSA an automotive systems and parts supplier, will demonstrate at Mobile World Congress 2014 in Barcelona, a complete emergency call system for the automotive Russian market (ERA GLONASS¹).

The ERA GLONASS system is the Russian equivalent of the European eCall system. The ERA GLONASS regulation is planned to be implemented in Russia from January 2015.

According to studies of the National Entity of Russian Navigation (NISS) it is intended to reduce emergency services' time-to-arrival by up to 30%, saving up to 4,000 additional lives every year.

The emergency system inside the vehicle consists of a telematic unit (iVTU, in Vehicle Telematic Unit) that incorporates a special SIM card (DIM® ERA GLONASS) as well as a user interface module (HMI).

The system allows, with the DIM® ERA GLONASS installed in the telematic module made by FICOSA, to have a GLONASS profile for the emergency call and a commercial profile for telematic services. The swap of the profile is made in few seconds in accordance with local regulations.

FICOSA, as a top-tier provider in the automotive industry, and Oberthur Technologies a world leader in digital security solutions for the mobility space will show this innovation on the CLARA platform (HMI and telematic systems) with DIM® ERA GLONASS.

“The safety systems and emergency services are fundamental to save lives on the road. As suppliers of components for automotive, all the technology that makes reference to move forward in this field is our focus. The governments have the last word for the systems implementation as ERA GLONASS or eCALL. Our work is to anticipate of their regulations, giving support to the entities that define them and taking part actively in the configuration of the solutions. CLARA is the result not only of the definition of the system, but the demonstration of its functionalities. This work is possible thanks to the good position of FICOSA in the M2M (Machine to Machine) market with its technological patents and the collaboration with other strategic industrial partners such Oberthur

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Technologies”, in words of Mr. Josep Maria Forcadell, Director of the Advanced Communications Unit of FICOSA.

“Car telematic services and emergency systems will offer majors benefits to drivers around the world and in Russia in particular. OT provides innovation matching worldwide regulations. The DIM@ ERA GLONASS has been specifically designed to facilitate the implementation of these innovative services by mobile networks operators, car makers and telematic service providers. The DIM@ERA GLONASS combined with the CLARA platform from Ficosa is helping the entire industry moving forward” said Edward Simonet, M2M Business Director at OT.

ERA GLONASS¹: Government accident emergency response system in Russia with GLONASS technology for enhancing transportation safety

ABOUT OBERTHUR TECHNOLOGIES

OT is a world leader in digital security solutions for the mobility space. OT has always been at the heart of mobility, from the first smart cards to the latest contactless payment technologies which equip millions of smartphones. Present in the Payment, Telecommunications and Identity markets, OT offers end-to-end solutions in the Smart Transactions, Mobile Financial Services, Machine-to-Machine, Digital Identity and Transport & Access Control fields. OT employs over 6 000 employees worldwide, including 600 R&D people. With more than 50 sales offices across 5 continents and 10 facilities, OT's international network serves clients in 140 countries. For more information: www.oberthur.com

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About FICOSA

FICOSA is an industrial group based in Spain and a global leader in research, development, production and marketing of automotive systems and parts. Founded in 1949, the company, with headquarters in Barcelona (Spain), holds a team close to 8,500 employees and manufacturing plants, technological centres and offices located throughout 19 countries in Europe, North America, South America and Asia.

The Group invests 4% of its income in R&D, and operates one of the top technology development centres in Spain addressed to the automotive, electronics, energy and communications industries. FICOSA has positioned itself for the future as a world leader in electronic systems with a global and more diversified business agenda and an expanded added value product line. For more information: www.ficosa.com

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