



Draka Holding

**–Press release–
Amsterdam, 9 March 2005**

DRAKA COMPLETED THE SALE OF NKF ELECTRONICS

The Board of Management of Draka Holding N.V. announces that it has completed the sale of its subsidiary NKF Electronics B.V. to Optelecom Inc. (USA) for €20 million.

NKF Electronics develops, manufactures and sells high-grade video network equipment for traffic management and safety & security systems. The company, which employs 75 people, generates annual turnover of around €15 million.

Board of Management
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Financial agenda 2005 (subject to change)

Annual General Meeting of Shareholders in the Barbizon Hotel, Amsterdam	Monday, 9 May Start: 2:30 p.m.
Publication of trading update for first half of 2005	June (week 24)
Publication of half-year results for 2005	Tuesday, 30 August (before start of trading)
Publication of trading update for second half of 2005	November (week 46)

Company profiles

Draka Holding N.V.

Draka Holding N.V. (“Draka”) 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 focuses on two product groups, viz.: communication cable under the name Draka Comteq, and low-voltage and special-purpose cables, under the name Draka Cableteq.

Within these two groups the activities are divided in divisions. Draka Comteq consists of: Telecommunication Cable, Data Communication Cable and Optical Fibre. Draka Cableteq comprises the divisions: Low-Voltage Cable, Elevator Cable, Marine, Oil & Gas, Mobile Network Cable, Rubber Cable and Transport.

Draka has 68 operating companies in 25 countries in Europe, America and Asia. The company has a flat, decentralised organisational structure with short lines of communication. The divisions enjoy a large measure of independence and are accountable for their own net turnover and results. Draka companies worldwide employ approximately 9,600 people. Draka Holding N.V., the head office, is established in Amsterdam. In 2004, Draka achieved net turnover of € 1.7 billion, with a net result of € 3.7 million excluding non-recurring items.

Draka Holding N.V. ordinary shares and subordinated convertible bonds are listed on Euronext Amsterdam. The company has been included in the Next150 index since 2001 and in the new AScX-index (Amsterdam Small Cap index) since 2 March 2005. Since 8 July 2002 options on Draka-shares have been traded on the Euronext Amsterdam Derivative Markets.

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Optelecom, Inc.

Optelecom offers integrated multi-media products for communicating video, audio, and other data over both copper wire and optical network systems. Taking a client centric approach to its business through a proactive, flexible and value driven philosophy, Optelecom supplies industry and governments worldwide with best-of-class solutions for highway traffic management, air traffic control, border surveillance, facilities security and business video systems. You can learn more about Optelecom, Inc. at www.optelecom.com