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RSL to Provide Remote Source Lighting Systems to Italian Navy

Contract with Italian Shipbuilder Fincantieri Covers Six FREMM Class Frigates

East Hartford, CT (April 6, 2011) – [RSL Fiber Systems, LLC](#) has added yet another major distinction to its rapidly-increasing portfolio of achievements, securing its first international defense contract – with Italian shipbuilder [Fincantieri](#) – to supply fiber optic remote source lighting systems for the Italian Navy’s new [FREMM](#) class frigates, currently under construction.

The contract, for the first six of an anticipated 10 FREMM (Fregata Europea Multi-Missione) anti-submarine warfare and general purpose frigates, is RSL’s first non-U.S. Navy agreement. Financial terms were not disclosed.

The deal bolsters RSL’s reputation in the defense industry as a premier provider of innovative shipboard lighting solutions for the world’s most sophisticated warships, and comes on the heels of two notable accolades in the last six months: In October, the company was recognized by the [Connecticut Technology Council](#) and Marcum LLP as [Connecticut’s leading advanced manufacturer in revenue growth](#). In February, RSL was presented with the [2010 North American Technology Innovation of the Year Award in Remote Source Lighting](#) by internationally-renowned global research leader Frost & Sullivan.

“We are extremely excited to be chosen by Fincantieri, one of the world’s largest designers and builders of merchant and naval vessels, for this leading-edge work,” said RSL Chief Executive Officer/Chief Technology Officer [Giovanni Tomasi](#). “The FREMM frigate will be a world-class warship, and our role in its development opens up numerous opportunities for RSL with the Italian Tech sector and far beyond.”

A division of Skyler Technologies Group, [RSL Fiber Systems](#) provides advanced lighting solutions and integrated illumination systems for U.S. Navy ships including the [LPD 17](#) class, the experimental craft [“Sea Fighter,”](#) and the Navy’s newest advanced destroyer, the [DDG 1000](#), which is currently under construction. The company is also developing illumination systems and solutions for such diverse applications as mining, refineries, offshore oil exploration, first responders/homeland security, and renewable energy.

The company’s core technology, [remote source lighting](#), provides safe, low-maintenance, high-performance illumination uniquely by utilizing high-efficiency optical fiber to deliver light safely and effectively to critical or hazardous locations.