

**Subject: Fiber Optic Cable Service Life**

Prysmian's optical fiber cables contain conventional materials (e.g. polyethylene, glass) whose performance has been confirmed during many years of service in both the telecommunication and power cable industries.

Because Prysmian stringently specifies and selects these raw materials, carefully designs the optical fiber cables and applies sophisticated manufacturing process control systems backed up by extensive product testing, we are confident that optical fiber cables will have a useful service life of over 20 years.

Improper handling or incorrect installation practices may adversely effect the long term performance of these cable designs.