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CommScope and Kathrein Sign Extensive Cross-License Agreement

—Both Vendors to Benefit from Licensing Intellectual Property for Base Station Antennas, DAS, Filters—

HICKORY, N.C. & ROSENHEIM, Germany--(BUSINESS WIRE)-- [CommScope](#) and [Kathrein](#), industry leaders in network infrastructure solutions, have entered into a long-term global agreement to cross-license portions of their patent portfolios, increasing each company's ability to develop new solutions, serve customers and compete in the global market. Under the agreement, both companies can access and implement the other company's patents and technologies globally. The cross-license agreement relates to passive base station antennas, distributed antenna systems (DAS) and filters.

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Ben Cardwell of CommScope and Jürgen Walter of Kathrein, after signing a cross-licensing deal related to passive base station antennas, distributed antenna systems (DAS) and filters. (Photo: Business Wire)

"This is a win-win for both parties, demonstrating our mutual commitment to innovation and wireless industry development," said Ben Cardwell, senior vice president, CommScope Mobility Solutions. "CommScope engineers will enjoy greater freedom of design, accelerating our research and development in antennas and filters, while Kathrein gains access to our valuable digital DAS patents."

Kathrein is the first and only company that CommScope has licensed to its digital DAS patent portfolio. As part of the agreement, Kathrein agreed to an undisclosed upfront payment and ongoing royalties specific to the digital DAS portfolio. CommScope gains access to Kathrein's robust passive base station antenna and filter portfolios. Further details of the agreement are not being disclosed.

"We are pleased with the global cross license agreement with CommScope," said Jürgen Walter, executive vice president, Solutions Division, Kathrein. "This agreement reflects the two leading companies' joint view that innovation sharing and standardization of technology is critical to driving and accelerating industry evolution as we head into 5G customer requirements and future deployments."

CommScope and Kathrein have invested substantial resources in bringing their wireless solutions to market and have built substantial patent portfolios to protect their respective investments. Both companies are committed to protecting their intellectual property rights.

About CommScope:

[CommScope](#) (NASDAQ: COMM) helps companies around the world design, build and manage their wired and wireless networks. Our vast portfolio of network infrastructure includes some of the world's most robust and innovative wireless and fiber optic solutions. Our talented and experienced global team is driven to help customers increase bandwidth; maximize existing capacity; improve network performance and availability; increase energy efficiency; and simplify technology migration. You will find our solutions in the largest buildings, venues and outdoor spaces; in data centers and buildings of all shapes, sizes and complexity; at wireless cell sites; in telecom central offices and cable headends; in FTTx deployments; and in airports, trains, and tunnels. Vital networks around the world run on CommScope solutions.

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About Kathrein:

Kathrein is a leading international specialist for reliable, high-quality communication technologies. We are an innovation and technology leader in today's connected world. Our ability to provide solutions and systems enables people all over the world to communicate, access information and use media, whether at home, at the office or on the road. We cover a broad spectrum: from outdoor and indoor mobile communication solutions, to satellite reception, broadband and broadcast technology, to transmission and reception systems in vehicles. As a hidden champion and family-owned enterprise, we have been working on the technologies of tomorrow since 1919. We take pride in our dedicated employees and our passion for customers and quality.

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