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Global Marine to present at CANTO's Annual Conference

*The emergence of regional networks around the world creates an opportunity for
profitable innovation in data networking and telecommunications*

Chelmsford, UK: Larry Schwartz, CEO of Bridgehouse Marine Ltd, the parent company of Global Marine Systems Limited, will be presenting on behalf of Global Marine at the Caribbean Association of National Telecommunications Organizations (CANTO) annual conference. His presentation, to be made on Wednesday 22nd June at the CANTO conference in St. Kitts, highlights the importance of regional networks as alternative solutions to delivering cutting edge telecommunications and networking services.

According to Mr. Schwartz, "The Caribbean is a very important market for us. Global Marine has been in the undersea engineering business for well over a century serving this network of islands as well as other similar regions around the world for much of that time. The convergence of data networking and traditional telecommunications has really allowed these regions to take a fresh look at providing all types of telecommunications services to their populations."

The reduction in overall system pricing as well as emerging capabilities and uses has fuelled lower-capacity installations previously considered uneconomic for regional networking solutions. For example, over the last two years 44% of regional networking solutions were purchased by entities other than traditional local telecommunications carriers. This growth has predominantly come from companies involved in industries such as diversified energy, alternative carriers in newly deregulated markets or businesses not traditionally associated with fixed line provisioning.

"What makes regional networks in the Caribbean unique is that, unlike in many other parts of the world, the communications backbone is predominantly comprised of submarine networks," said Mr. Schwartz. "As such, Caribbean markets have the opportunity to take the lead in the deployment and commercialization of submarine cable technologies."

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About Global Marine

Global Marine has been in business for well over a century and continues to be the preeminent provider of submarine cable installation and maintenance services in the world. Since the installation of the first telegraph cables in the 1850s, it has been essential for system owners to produce detailed cable maps to plot the location of a cable on the seabed, keep it maintained and ensure that information is regularly updated.

Global Marine has remained at the forefront of cable installation and maintenance ever since. Operating with the world's most advanced fleet of cable ships and subsea vehicles, it is a market leader in marine cable installation and maintenance for telecommunications, as well as scientific research, oil, gas, utilities and the renewable energy sector.

It has installed more undersea fibre optic cables than any other operator. More than 50% of the world's buried fibre optic cables have been installed by Global Marine Systems and between 30 and 40% of all subsea cables repairs and maintenance are undertaken by the company.

Global Marine is at the forefront of data record management and is continually developing new technology to meet the needs of the submarine cable industry. Its developments in state of the art geographical information systems and computer mapping technology play a vital part in the drive for greater system security.

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