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### **3M Aerial Terminal Closure Has Factory-Installed Fanouts**

AUSTIN, Texas - September 12, 2006 - The newest GR-771 Certified fiber aerial terminal closure from 3M comes with factory-installed 3M GR-326 Certified fiber pigtailed and GR-2866 Certified ribbon fanouts, making for simple and reliable installation by eliminating the routing of the pigtailed and fanouts by the technician in the field.

The one-piece construction of the SLiC fiber aerial terminal closure 530 external drop provides easy installation and permits access to the cable splice without removing the terminal closure. There are two separate chambers in the closure: the drop termination chamber allows for cleaning and testing and HFOC maintenance without entering the splice chamber; the distribution cable splice chamber houses the fiber splices and stores the buffer tube or ribbon fiber slack.

A slack-fiber storage basket provides a separate area for routing, protecting, and “expressing” buffer tubes and ribbon fibers. Quick-release clamps provide for easy installation and re-entry without the need for special tools.

The SLiC fiber aerial terminal closure 530 external drop is a strand-mount, free-breathing (breathable) fiber terminal closure for FTTP applications. It can be used for inline, branch, butt and taut sheath splicing configurations. It can handle 4, 6, 8 and 12 external (hardened fiber optic connectors – HFOC) drop terminations.

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For more information on the SLiC fiber aerial terminal closure 530 external drop from 3M, call 800-426-8688 or go to [www.3M.com/telecom](http://www.3M.com/telecom).

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