(E&E). DSM’s strategy, named Vision 2010 - Building on Strengths, focuses on accelerating profitable and innovative growth of the company’s specialties portfolio. Market-driven growth, innovation and increased presence in emerging economies are key drivers of this strategy. The group has annual sales of over EUR 8 billion and employs some 22,000 people worldwide. DSM ranks among the global leaders in many of its fields. The company is headquartered in the Netherlands, with locations in Europe, Asia, Africa and the Americas.

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Cable Railing Design Award announced

Goddard Specialty Construction of Peachtree City, Florida and Nature Bridges of Tallahassee, Florida are the recipients of the Ultra-tec® Cable Railing Design Award, according to Raymond Kechley, vice president of The Cable Connection the manufacturer of Ultra-tec® cable railing products.

The award was given for the design and fabrication of a wooden bridge at River Camp by St. Joe in Panama City, Florida. The bridge was built in 2005 using stainless steel cable as the railing-in-fill.

According to Kechley, the award is given for the design of the railing in relation to its setting and for the appearance and quality of fabrication of the railing. The Cable Connection supplied the tensioners and mounting devices for the cable. Nature Bridges built the bridge. Goddard Specialty Construction installed the cables.

“Thin, yet strong stainless steel cable was the perfect choice for this project,” explained Brian Fischer of Goddard Specialty Construction. “You hardly see the cable, so the view is unimpaired.” Brian’s partner, Don Goddard, added, “The Cable Connection had all the right stainless steel tensioners and fittings that enabled us to install the cable quickly and at a very reasonable cost. We are proud of this project and thrilled to receive the design award.

NEMA calls for Vietnam admission into the WTO as soon as possible

NEMA, the National Electrical Manufacturers Association, has hailed the recent conclusion of negotiations