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New Cable Management System Enhances Cooper B-Line's Access Cabinet Platform

Cable containment solution offers increased flexibility, versatility and cable management space.

HIGHLAND, IL, April 21, 2010 – Cooper B-Line, a global provider of innovative, labor-saving support systems and enclosure solutions for engineered facility subsystem applications, today announced the release of its new, fully flexible and configurable cable management system for its Access Cabinet platforms.

This enhanced cabling solution provides vertical, horizontal and front-to-rear cable containment options to meet common Comm/Data cabling application demands for both single bay and ganged cabinets. The new cable containment solution manages inter-cabinet patching and cross connects for structured cabling within EIA-310-D compliant 19-inch Access Cabinet platforms.

Unlike other products on the market, Cooper B-Line's Access Cabinets feature open architecture construction with no corner posts, allowing for easy removal of all side panels and doors to completely expose the open frame for cable installation. The new cable management system can in turn span between ganged cabinets to fully maximize all available space. Multiple wire lances and a twist-and-lock cable arm mounting option provide additional internal cable management, enabling faster cable deployment as well as the ability to support and segregate cables where needed.

Designed for single-person installation, this new cable system minimizes maintenance requirements and ownership costs. Covered cable containment offers improved aesthetic appeal while protecting against potential damage. Components ship pre-assembled for onsite mounting to existing Access Cabinets or can be factory configured on new Cabinets. A range of accessories and configurations are also available.

“Cooper B-Line’s enhanced Access Cabinet cable management system allows our customers to continue to meet the demands of today’s high-density, in-cabinet cable management needs,” said Kevin Kissling, President of Cooper B-Line. “The ease of retrofitting, enhanced cable protection and improved aesthetics make our new cable containment solutions a practical option for a variety of Comm/Data cabling applications.”

For more information, please visit www.cooperblines.com.

About Cooper B-Line

Cooper B-Line, a subsidiary of Cooper Industries plc (NYSE: CBE), is a global provider of innovative, labor-saving support systems and enclosure solutions for engineered facility subsystem applications. Cooper B-Line’s products are used in a variety of settings for the commercial, industrial, utility and OEM markets. For more information, visit www.cooperblines.com.

About Cooper Industries

Cooper Industries plc (NYSE: CBE) is a global manufacturer with 2009 revenues of \$5.1 billion, approximately eighty-nine percent of which are from electrical products. Founded in 1833, Cooper’s sustained level of success is attributable to a constant focus on innovation, evolving business practices while maintaining the highest ethical standards, and meeting customer needs. The Company has eight operating divisions with leading market share positions and world-class products and brands including: Bussmann electrical and electronic fuses; Crouse-Hinds and CEAG explosion-proof electrical equipment; Halo and Metalux lighting fixtures; and Kyle and McGraw-Edison power systems products. With this broad range of products, Cooper is uniquely positioned for several long-term growth trends including the global infrastructure build-out, the need to improve the reliability and productivity of the electric grid, the demand for higher energy-efficient products and the need for improved electrical safety. In 2009, sixty-one percent of total sales were to customers in the industrial and utility end-markets and thirty-nine percent of total sales were to customers outside the United States. Cooper has manufacturing facilities in 23 countries as of 2009. For more information, visit the website at www.cooperindustries.com.



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