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Cooper B-Line Launches Website Focusing on Government Building Solutions

New website offers in-depth look at Cooper B-Line's range of support systems and enclosures for government facilities, transportation systems and water/environmental infrastructure.

HIGHLAND, IL, May 5, 2010 – Cooper B-Line, a global provider of innovative, labor-saving support systems and enclosure solutions for engineered facility subsystem applications, has launched a website with an emphasis on building solutions for government facilities—www.cooperblinelinegovernment.com.

Those involved in the design, construction, modernization and operation of government buildings will benefit from the new site's comprehensive overview of Cooper B-Line products and services. Visitors can browse links to Cooper B-Line's design and specification tool library, featuring CAD, BIM models, configurators, white papers, design programs and pre-formatted specification documents. Information on specific building types including state and municipal facilities, military structures, hospitals, schools, convention centers and correctional centers is available.

"Cooper B-Line's 'solutions-first' mentality has resulted in an unmatched depth and breadth of products, services and engineering support resources for the government buildings market," said Kevin Kissling, President of Cooper B-Line. "Our new website further outlines these solutions, serving as a convenient tool for those in the government sector looking to learn more about Cooper B-Line products and services."

Cooper B-Line products are designed, manufactured and delivered by a network of U.S.- based offices and factories, many with unionized workforces. Over 90 percent of its products comply with the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act's (ARRA) Buy American provision. This delivers the powerful benefit of an American-made product portfolio that is eligible for projects with a domestic sourcing requirement for construction materials.

To learn more about Cooper B-Line's range of government building solutions, visit www.cooperblinegovernment.com, email government@cooperindustries.com or call 1-800-851-7415 x313. Also look for Cooper B-line on LinkedIn and YouTube.

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.cooperbline.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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