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To: GDB Fuse Customers

Subject: GDB/S500 Part Number Explanation & RoHS Compliant 5 x 20mm Part Numbers

1. Cooper Bussmann has offered the GDB and S500 families as a part of their fast-acting glass fuse offering.
2. The GDB Part Number is used primarily in North America. This GDB fuse is the same base fuse as the equivalent S500, (all made in our Dong Guan, China facility). It simply gets the GDB label printed on the outside of the fuse.
3. The RoHS compliant versions of the S500 are available for production quantities as of July, 2005.
4. The GDB will not be made in a RoHS compliant version.
5. All customers needing a 5x20mm fast-acting glass fuse, should order the S500 product.
6. All 5mm fuse families made to comply with the RoHS Directive will receive a new part number designated with a "-R" suffix. (i.e., S500-5A will have a RoHS compliant version, S500-5-R).