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## News Release

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### **Cooper Bussmann® Quik-Spec™ Coordination Panelboard Protects More Critical Circuits with New 400 Amp Main and DC Offering**

**St. Louis, MO, March 24, 2010** – The newly expanded 400 amp-rated main and new 125Vdc rating now offered in the Cooper Bussmann® Quik-Spec Coordination Panelboard (QSCP), provides greater application flexibility while simplifying selective coordination. Configurations up to 600Vac/400A/200kA SCCR or 125Vdc/400A/100kA SCCR make the QSCP ideal for power distribution as well as utility and Uninterruptible Power Supply (UPS) circuits. For hazardous locations, a new optional Class 1, Division 2 housing has also been developed.

Cooper Bussmann, the industry leader in critical circuit protection, power management and electrical safety, matches critical loads to the right level of protection by introducing more ampacity selections in its fusible panelboard. The QSCP's 18 different branch fuse amp ratings, including the 70 to 100 amp branch circuit disconnects coming soon, can more closely match fuse ampacity requirements of UPS loads to limit voltage sags during faults and reduce the probability of losing voltage-sensitive loads unnecessarily. This is particularly important in the one to 10 amp range in applications including alarm and protection systems, sensors and monitors, and PLCs.

"Since its introduction, we have seen quick adoption of the fusible Quik-Spec Coordination Panelboard," said Ivo Jurek, Cooper Bussmann president. "This includes applications in sports arenas, hotels, museums, municipal buildings, coal mines and oil refineries, just to name a few. The product also was awarded the 2009 *EC&M* Product of the Year award for power distribution equipment and was a finalist in the 2009 *Plant Engineering* Product of the Year in the electrical power category."

To make the QSCP even faster to specify, Cooper Bussmann developed and launched the new Quik-Quote configurator. This online program accurately generates all submittal documents a panelboard bid requires, including the panel-specific take-off/diagram, bill of materials and list pricing all in a matter of minutes.

“Quik-Spec also means Quik-Ship,” explained Jurek. “All configurations of the standard NEMA 1 enclosure are available for shipment within 10 business days of the order for fast installation.”

The industry standard in fusible panelboards, the Quik-Spec Coordination Panelboard addresses NEC® selective coordination requirements to meet the needs of COPS, UPS, healthcare and places of assembly. The QSCP also utilizes the finger-safe, UL Class CF Low-Peak® CUBEFuse® in conjunction with an ampacity-rejecting Compact Circuit Protector Base (CCPB) UL 98 disconnect.

Information on both the Quik-Spec Coordination Panelboard as well as the Quik-Quote configurator can be found at [www.cooperbussmann.com/quik-spec](http://www.cooperbussmann.com/quik-spec). New configurator users can gain access by first contacting their Cooper Bussmann sales representative for a login ID.

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#### **About Cooper Bussmann**

Cooper Bussmann, the industry leader in critical circuit protection, power management and electrical safety, is a division of Cooper Industries plc (NYSE: CBE), and is headquartered in St. Louis, Missouri, USA. The company is committed to the development, manufacturing and marketing of innovative circuit and power electronics protection and power management products; and provides engineering, training and testing services globally for the electrical, electronics and transportation industries. The company provides superior brands, including Cooper Bussmann® circuit protection products and services, Coiltronics® magnetics, and OMNEX Trusted Wireless® systems. Additional information about Cooper Bussmann is available online at [www.cooperbussmann.com](http://www.cooperbussmann.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](http://www.cooperindustries.com).

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