



## News Release

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# Cooper B-Line Offers Flexible Runway Solution for Data Cabling Applications

*Redi-Rail™ Runway features multiple benefits and significant labor savings  
over standard runway offerings.*

**HIGHLAND, IL April 28, 2011** – Cooper B-Line, a global provider of innovative, labor-saving support systems and enclosure solutions for engineered facility subsystem applications, has introduced its Redi-Rail™ Runway, a unique cable management solution designed specifically for data cabling applications. The Redi-Rail Runway system offers customers a number of advantages, including flexibility, grounding, labor-savings and easy future expansion of the system.

Unlike standard runway systems that often have a welded rung, Redi-Rail features a rung connection made with hardware engineered for a strong connection, but that still allows rungs to be easily removed using standard tools. This flexibility means rungs can be easily removed to provide more space for cables to enter or exit the runway, or to support a drop out in a specific location over a cabinet or rack. The system's outboard rungs provide a way to segregate and organize multiple cables along a single path.

Available in 1.5-inch and 2-inch side rail heights, Cooper B-Line's Redi-Rail Runway is made of lightweight aluminum that results in a simple, quick installation. Additional side rail heights are available in the Redi-Rail cable tray line for applications that require higher side rails. Rung adjustments in the field do not require cutting, and the holes along the length of Redi-Rail's side rail provide a convenient place to attach rungs and accessories without drilling, yielding significantly reduced labor in the field. In addition, hanger rod brackets eliminate the need to cut and install strut trapezes.

“One of Cooper B-Line’s goals is to provide our customers with first-class Communications and Data equipment supports and enclosures, and the Redi-Rail Runway is a prime example that we are delivering on that goal,” said Kevin Kissling, President of Cooper B-Line. “By offering superior flexibility and labor-savings, the Redi-Rail system can help customers meet their own goals, and we are always proud to provide products that can do so. Cooper B-Line continues to be committed to exceeding our customer’s needs in cable management.”

Making future expansion of the runway system simple, Redi-Rail’s outboard rungs allow for installation of horizontal cable runs alongside the same runway, and cable retaining posts allow more cables to be installed vertically along the runway path. The Redi-Rail Runway is compatible with standard accessories for runway stringers, and the straight sections and standard splices are UL Classified, meaning no bonding jumper is required at splice locations. Cooper B-Line also offers a full range of accessories for the Redi-Rail system.

Cooper B-Line's full line of Communications and Data products includes steel and aluminum equipment racks and accessories, cable runways and accessories, cable management products, spring steel fasteners, Flextray™ wire basket, distribution frames, network bays, unequal flange racks and products for seismic zone 4 applications.

### **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](http://www.cooperbline.com).

### **About Cooper Industries**

Cooper Industries plc (NYSE: CBE) is a global electrical products manufacturer with 2010 revenues of \$5.1 billion. Founded in 1833, Cooper's sustained 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 seven operating divisions with leading market 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 2010 fifty-nine 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 21 countries as of 2010. For more information, visit the website at [www.cooperindustries.com](http://www.cooperindustries.com).