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## NEWS RELEASE

### **Cooper Bussmann, Leader in Code Compliance and Downtime Reduction, Introduces the Quik-Spec™ Family of Distribution Products**

*Selective Coordination has Never Been Easier or Faster to Achieve*

**St. Louis, MO, October 5, 2008** – Cooper Bussmann, the industry leader in circuit protection, is excited to bring its newest innovation to market -- a breakthrough that makes achieving selective coordination easy – the new Quik-Spec™ family of electrical distribution equipment. The Cooper Bussmann® Quik-Spec line of distribution products provides fusible solutions that make it simple and cost effective to selectively coordinate a fused electrical distribution system. This product line also helps designers, installers and building owners achieve greater downtime reduction, code compliance and workplace safety.

The Quik-Spec family includes the following products:

- **New Quik-Spec Coordination Panelboard**
  - Available October 2008, this new fusible panelboard sets a whole new standard in saving time, increasing safety and offering industry-leading protection, all within the same footprint of traditional breaker panels. This innovative UL Listed panelboard makes it easy to comply with NEC® selective coordination requirements and delivers more features, more flexibility and more value!
  
- **Quik-Spec Power Module Switch and Panel for single, and multiple elevator applications**

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- Both products offer a superior all-in-one solution to meeting code requirements, while reducing costs associated with installation and labor. Switch and Panel both meet prevailing ANSI/ASME, NEC and NFPA 72 requirements for shunt-trip elevator disconnect applications.
- **Quik-Spec Safety Switch**
  - Meets UL and NEC<sup>®</sup> Requirements, features an enhanced finger-safe design and its easy interface with viewing window provides visual verification that switch contacts have operated. Plus, its Class J performance Low-Peak<sup>®</sup> CUBEFuse<sup>®</sup> offers industry-leading arc-flash protection.

With this family of products, Cooper Bussmann Low-Peak fuses make achieving a selectively coordinated system easy. Just maintain a 2:1 amp rating ratio between upstream and downstream fuses. Plus, since there is no need to do a short-circuit current study or plot time-current curves to engineer fuse selective coordination, the engineer and installer can save both time and money with the new Quik-Spec family of products.

“As a proven leader in Code Compliance and Downtime Reduction products and services, Cooper Bussmann has developed the Quik-Spec family of products to help engineers and installers achieve fuse selective coordination faster and easier, so they can effectively improve electrical system safety and performance,” said Kevin Hug, Cooper Bussmann senior product manager. “We are very excited to offer something that demonstrates our leadership and leapfrogs the competition.”

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### **About Cooper Bussmann**

Cooper Bussmann, the industry leader in downtime reduction, workplace safety and Code compliance solutions, is a division of Cooper Industries (NYSE: CBE), and is headquartered in St. Louis, Missouri, USA. The company is committed to the development, manufacturing and marketing of innovative circuit protection products, and provides engineering, training and testing services globally for the electrical, electronics and transportation industries. Additional information about Cooper Bussmann is available online at [www.cooperbussmann.com](http://www.cooperbussmann.com)

### **About Cooper Industries**

Cooper Industries, Ltd. (NYSE: CBE) is a global manufacturer with 2007 revenues of \$5.9 billion, approximately 87% 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 2007, sixty percent of total sales were to customers in the industrial and utility end-markets and 34% of total sales were to customers outside the United States. Cooper, which has more than 31,500 employees and manufacturing facilities in 23 countries as of 2007, is incorporated in Bermuda with administrative headquarters in Houston, TX. For more information, visit the website at [www.cooperindustries.com](http://www.cooperindustries.com).

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