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Cooper Lighting and Cooper Controls Products Honored for Design Excellence

Cooper receives Platinum, Gold and Silver recognition in awards program sponsored by Design Journal magazine.

HOUSTON, June 30, 2011 – Products from Cooper Lighting and Cooper Controls, divisions of Cooper Industries plc (NYSE: CBE), have been selected as 2011 Award for Design Excellence (ADEX) winners. This year, Cooper Lighting received a total of eleven product awards, including four Platinum awards, three Gold awards and four Silver awards, while Cooper Controls received one Platinum award.

The ADEX Awards are the largest awards program for product design of furniture, fixtures and finishes marketed to the design trade. This year, the number of companies that entered the ADEX Awards increased by more than 22 percent, making it the most competitive judging to date. An anonymous panel of professionals from the design industry judges each entry, awarding points in several categories. Each category has the potential for three award levels of Platinum, Gold or Silver. *Design Journal Magazine* sponsors the annual ADEX Awards.

“At Cooper, we are always striving to develop innovative products that outperform our competitors, while never forgetting the importance of integrating unique design elements,” said Mark Eubanks, President, Cooper Lighting. “We are pleased to receive this prestigious honor from *Design Journal's* judging panel. Receiving an award for design excellence is a great testament to our commitment to product development.”

The Cooper Lighting products that were honored as Platinum winners include the io Balance Beam, Portfolio LED Downlight and Open Wall Wash Series, Lumière Boca 696 Ingrade LED Luminaire, and the McGraw-Edison Valet LED Parking Garage Luminaire. The Cooper Controls product that was named a Platinum winner is the NeoSwitch Wall Switch Occupancy Sensor. The Gold-winning products from Cooper Lighting include the Invue Entri LED Wall Mount Luminaire, Corelite i2 Series,

and the Neo-Ray Panelit 52 DIP Direct-Indirect Suspended Luminaire. Products receiving Silver honors include the Invue Mesa LED Decorative Area Luminaire, Neo-Ray Luminious 282-284 Luminaires, Ametrix Arrowlinear™ LED Luminaires and Shaper 1300 High Performance High-Bay Luminaire.

Cooper Lighting is a previous ADEX award winner, being honored with over 50 awards the last five years. For additional information on the winning products, visit www.cooperlighting.com.

To learn more about Cooper Industries and its comprehensive range of electrical products and solutions, visit www.cooperindustries.com.

About Cooper Lighting

Cooper Lighting, a subsidiary of Cooper Industries plc (NYSE: CBE), is the leading provider of innovative, high quality interior and exterior lighting fixtures, controls and related products to worldwide commercial, industrial, retail, institutional, residential and utility markets. As lighting technologies have advanced over the years, Cooper Lighting has been at the forefront of the industry in helping businesses and communities leverage the latest technologies to improve efficiency, reduce costs and enrich the quality of the environment. For more information, visit www.cooperlighting.com.

About Cooper Controls

Cooper Controls, a business unit of Cooper Lighting, is a market leader in energy management, architectural, and entertainment lighting controls. A subsidiary of global manufacturer Cooper Industries plc (NYSE: CBE), it was formed by its acquisition of Novitas Inc. in November 2005, Polaron plc in March 2007, PCI Lighting Control Systems in August 2007, and ALC Lighting Controls in November 2010. Cooper Controls includes leading brands such as iLight (International), iLumin (North America), Greengate, and Zero 88. For more information, visit www.coopercontrol.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 23 countries as of 2011. For more information, visit the website at www.cooperindustries.com.

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