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Cooper Power Systems Demand Response Solution Selected by Northern Indiana Public Service Company

Offering a cost effective and customer preferred approach to peak load management.

WAUKESHA, WI, June 28, 2012—Cooper Power Systems, a subsidiary of Cooper Industries plc (NYSE: CBE), today announced a new contract with Northern Indiana Public Service Company (NIPSCO) to deliver approximately 33 MW of new Demand Response (DR) capability in the utility’s AC Cycling Program. NIPSCO will deploy Cooper Power Systems advanced Yukon™ DR management enterprise software and intelligent load control switches.

The planned implementation includes the installation of 33,000 load control switches by December, 2013. Cooper Power Systems end-point technologies improve cost effectiveness through local intelligence and advanced system architecture that maximizes the reduction in energy use while maintaining customer comfort during events.

“Our Yukon Demand Response management system will enable NIPSCO to reduce electric use during peak times, increasing load reduction and resulting in overall cost efficiencies,” said Mark Thurman, president, Cooper Power Systems. “Because Cooper Power Systems is a trusted smart grid solutions provider, we are able to deliver NIPSCO’s large Demand Response program with a proven solution today, and a clear migration path as these programs grow and mature tomorrow “

Cooper Power Systems has more than 4.5 million load control devices installed at utility-managed programs across North America. Yukon, the robust, proven, advanced energy services platform enables utilities to reduce loads at critical peak periods for both direct load control and pricing programs.

For more information on Cooper Power Systems end-to-end smart grid solutions, that include demand response, please visit www.cooperpower.com.
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About Cooper Power Systems
Cooper Power Systems, a subsidiary of Cooper Industries plc (NYSE: CBE), is a global manufacturer and provider of world-class power delivery apparatus and solutions for the utility, commercial, and industrial markets. The company maintains a complete portfolio of products and services required to transform, protect, connect, and build out an electric power system backbone. Smart apparatus – voltage regulators, capacitors, reclosers, switchgear, smart sensors, and controls – integrated with enterprise level software and secure communications enable customers to increase productivity, optimize asset efficiency, improve system reliability, and reduce costs. Reliability and grid-point solutions include: Integrated Volt/Var Control (IVVC), feeder, and substation automation systems. End-point solutions include: Advanced Metering Infrastructure (AMI) and Demand Response (DR). The company is a leading provider of engineering optimization and modeling tools. For more information, please visit www.cooperpower.com.

About Cooper Industries
Cooper Industries plc (NYSE: CBE) is a global electrical products manufacturer with 2011 revenues of $5.4 billion. Founded in 1833 Cooper's sustained success is attributable to a constant focus on innovation and 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 2011 sixty-two percent of total sales were to customers in the industrial and utility end-markets and forty 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.

About Northern Indiana Public Service Company (NIPSCO)
NIPSCO, with headquarters in Merrillville, Ind., is one of the seven energy distribution companies of NiSource Inc. (NYSE: NI). With more than 786,000 natural gas customers and 457,000 electric customers across the northern third of Indiana, NIPSCO is the largest natural gas distribution company, and the second largest electric distribution company, in the state. NiSource distribution companies serve 3.8 million natural gas and electric customers primarily in seven states. More information about NIPSCO is available at NIPSCO.com.