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Cooper Power Systems Releases Next Generation Power Line Carrier Gateway

The industry's fastest, most cost-effective, two-way PLC communications to advanced meter, demand response, grid automation endpoints.

WAUKESHA, WI, October 25, 2011— The new Cooper Power Systems [CCU-721 Gateway](#) offers utilities the industry's fastest, most cost-effective, two-way power line carrier (PLC) communications to [Advanced Metering Infrastructure](#) (AMI), [Demand Response](#) (DR), and [Grid Automation](#) endpoints. The CCU-721 provides utilities ease of installation and integration, as well as a user-friendly front panel interface for field personnel. The CCU-721 is an IP-based gateway that also supports a myriad of wide area network (WAN) options for utilities via Cooper Power Systems SelectComm™ technology.

The CCU-721 PLC gateway joins the family of next generation PLC solutions offered within the Cooper Power Systems Advanced Metering Infrastructure, Demand Response and Grid Automation solutions portfolios.

“As a market leader in AMI solutions, Cooper Power Systems has extensive experience in implementing solutions that enable utilities to maximize the value of their existing infrastructure/Smart Grid,” said Mike Stoessl, President, Cooper Power Systems, a subsidiary of Cooper industries (plc (NYSE: CBE). “We continue to invest millions of dollars in technology supporting our utility customers’ goals, and to provide seamless integration of Smart Grid solutions. The CCU-721 and the RPT-850, released earlier this year, are two examples of our continued investment to further enhance our PLC offering.”

For more information about the CCU-721 gateway, visit www.cooperpower.com.

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About Cooper Power Systems

Cooper Power Systems, with 2010 revenues of approximately \$1.2 billion, is a subsidiary of Cooper Industries plc (NYSE: CBE), and a global manufacturer of world-class power delivery and reliability solutions for the utility, commercial, and industrial markets. Cooper Power Systems is a leading provider of innovative Smart Grid technologies that optimize electrical grid performance. These solutions include Advanced Metering Infrastructure (AMI), Demand Response (DR), Smart Sensors, Power Systems Engineering Software and Services, Substation Automation, and Feeder Automation. The company is

also a leading provider of software, communications and integration solutions that enable customers to increase productivity, improve system reliability, and reduce costs. For more information, please visit www.cooperpower.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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