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Universal Lighting Technologies' Low Profile AccuStart™ Features Programmed Rapid Start Technology And Small Case Dimensions

Industry Exclusive Ballast Operates 1- to 4-Lamps in Low Profile Design

NASHVILLE, Tenn. (January 6, 2003) – Universal Lighting Technologies' low profile AccuStart™ High Performance (HP) ballasts for frequently switched applications feature Programmed Rapid Start technology and small case dimensions.

The design of the low profile AccuStart™ HP ballast line takes advantage of new component technology to bring the user a small cross section (overall height 1.18_) for reduced fixture size and improved operating efficiency.

In addition to new, small case dimensions for fixture design optimization, the low profile AccuStart™ HP ballasts feature installer-friendly universal input voltage (108 – 305 volts) and less than 10 percent total harmonic distortion (THD). Universal input voltage provides user flexibility for applications and reduces inventory by as much as 50 percent. The ballasts also feature a standard mounting footprint and wiring diagram for easy installation and replacement.

Universal Lighting Technologies has taken Programmed Rapid Start technology one step further with AccuStart™ HP ballasts. The technology properly heats the lamp filaments before igniting the lamps, which yields an increase in lamp life up to 50 percent in applications where the lamps are frequently switched on and off. This improved lamp operation can provide more than 50,000 lamp cycles. AccuStart™ HP ballasts are ideal replacements for current Rapid Start applications.

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“The low profile AccuStart™ not only provides a small case for fixture design flexibility, but also incorporates Programmed Rapid Start technology to maximize lamp life,” said Mark Timbario, product manager of electronic products. “This longer lamp life means reduced replacement costs.”

For more information about the low profile AccuStart™ HP ballast, fax your request to (615) 316-5146 or visit the Web site at www.universalballast.com.

Universal Lighting Technologies Inc., based in Nashville, Tenn., has offered the most innovative selection of lighting ballasts for more than 50 years. With operations and distribution worldwide, the products of Universal Lighting Technologies are marketed under the Universal® and Triad® brand names.

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