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ULT Expands Fluorescent Applications with Micro-sized Technology

NASHVILLE, Tenn. (Sept. 29, 2005) – Universal Lighting Technologies is expanding the range of fluorescent applications with the Microstar™ family of lighting solutions. Exclusive micro-sized technology makes it practical to use electronic ballasts in smaller applications where magnetic ballasts are traditionally better suited.

Universal, a leading manufacturer of lighting ballasts and controls, designed the Microstar to deliver maximum energy savings and efficiency, easy installation, and quiet operation.

The Microstar product line features micro-sized T5 and compact fluorescent lighting ballasts specially engineered for versatility. They are well suited for residential use or professional applications, such as in an office or lobby. Microstar ballasts are ideal for wall sconces, compact fluorescent downlighting, undercabinet areas, task lighting fixtures, and more.

Microstar technology can replace a wide variety of magnetic ballasts or incandescent lamps. Since electronic ballasts operate at higher frequencies and efficiencies than magnetic ballasts, upgrading to Microstar can reduce energy consumption by 30 percent or more. Electronic ballasts also offer reduced flickering and less noise compared to their magnetic counterparts. Plus, they are lighter weight and have a longer life.

Microstar technology is designed for use in Energy Star-compliant fixtures. The ballasts are UL Listed for use with 7-26 Watt CFL or 8-28 Watt linear T5 lamps. Metal can construction allows for cool operation. Programmed Rapid Start technology provides maximum lamp life, and end-of-lamp-life shutdown circuitry ensures safe operation when the lamp fails.

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