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ULTim8® PROGRAMMED START FAMILY EXPANDS TO LOW BALLAST FACTOR BALLASTS

NASHVILLE, Tenn. (April 18, 2012) – Universal Lighting Technologies is expanding its ULTim8® line of Programmed Start T8 ballasts to bring true parallel lamp operation to low ballast factor (EL) ballasts. With an ultra-fast starting time under 700 milliseconds, these new ballasts are ideal for frequently switched applications, especially those with occupancy sensors. And independent lamp operation simplifies troubleshooting because when one lamp goes out, the others remain unaffected—not even a flicker.

The new EL (.71) models will be available at distributor locations throughout North America in April. All Programmed Start ULTim8 ballasts feature universal input voltage and are CEE and NEMA Premium compliant. The programmed start technology provides significantly longer lamp life and lower maintenance costs in frequently switched applications ranging from offices and classrooms to bathrooms and hallways.

Normal ballast factor (HE) models are available as well. With filament cutout for HE (.88) models, these programmed start ballasts are the most efficient ballast of their kind on the market today. Codes requiring controllable lighting continue to push the contractors to choose programmed start ballasts over instant start models, which have a slower start-up time, shorter lamp life, and primarily feature series wiring where one failed lamp leaves the entire fixture dark.

To learn more about ULTim8 Programmed Start ballasts, visit Universal Lighting Technologies online at www.unvlt.com or call 1-800-BALLAST.

Universal Lighting Technologies, Inc., produces some of the world's most advanced linear fluorescent, compact fluorescent, HID, eHID, and LED solutions for commercial lighting applications, as well as the most cost-effective energy management systems in the lighting industry today. A global leader in research and development since 1947, Universal Lighting Technologies joined the Panasonic family of companies as a wholly owned subsidiary of Panasonic Corporation Eco Solutions Company in 2007. Today, the company manufactures and distributes products under the Universal®, Triad®, Panasonic, Vossloh-Schwabe, DCL®, DEMANDflex™, EVERLINE™, and Signa® brand names.

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