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News Release

ASPIRE RF™ NEW WIRELESS CONTROL SYSTEM GETS TOP HONORS, WINNING MAJOR INDUSTRY AWARDS

PEACHTREE CITY, GA., August 7, 2007 – Cooper Wiring Devices' ASPIRE RF™ new Wireless Control System has received the 2007 ADEX Platinum award – the highest honor in its category – and also was named to *Building Products Magazine's* Top 100 Products for 2007.

Blending the award-winning beauty of the ASPIRE™ Design System of Wiring Devices with Z-Wave™ technology, ASPIRE RF is a robust, reliable and expandable designer wireless system that delivers the ultimate in home control, as any light switch, power receptacle, dimmer or component can be controlled with a simple touch command. The ASPIRE RF line represents one of the most comprehensive wireless control systems available today, supported with a full line of controllers, dimmers, switches, receptacles and accessories. Users can manage inside and outside lighting, appliances and other devices with a handheld controller, computer or PDA.

The ADEX Awards (Awards for Design Excellence), in existence since 1994, have become the largest and most-prestigious awards program for product design of furniture, fixtures and finishes marketed to the design trade. A panel of design industry professionals is chosen to honor product design and innovation. All of the entries in each of the 25 ADEX categories have potential for three award levels of platinum, gold or silver. Offering users the elegance of sophisticated design combined with the innovation of intelligent wireless technology, ASPIRE RF received the highest score in its category, resulting in a Platinum award.

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The 2006-2007 ADEX Awards received about 2,000 product submissions from more than 500 companies. *Design Journal*, an international trade publication for interior designers, architects and facility managers, sponsors the ADEX Awards and dedicates an entire issue to reporting on the award recipients.

ASPIRE RF was included on *Building Products Magazine's* "Top 100" list of outstanding products. Written for residential building professionals, *Building Products Magazine* compiles its "Top 100" editorial award, recognizing the 100 products that have generated the most editorial inquires that year. In its 10th year, the "Top 100" Award is deemed to be one of the most prestigious because the recognition comes directly from the builders and remodelers who use the products. ASPIRE RF providing a new level of comfort, control and style throughout the home, took the #83 spot.

ASPIRE RF was also recognized as a 2007 Consumer Electronics Show (CES) Honoree in the Integrated Home Systems category by the Consumer Electronics Association.

For more information, visit www.cooperwiringdevices.com/AspireRF

About Cooper Wiring Devices

Cooper Wiring Devices is a division of Cooper Industries (NYSE: CBE) that provides more than 10,000 electrical wiring device products for industrial, commercial and residential applications. For more information, visit www.cooperwiringdevices.com.

About Cooper Industries

Cooper Industries, Ltd. is a global manufacturer with 2006 revenues of \$5.2 billion, approximately 85 percent of which are from electrical products. Incorporated in Bermuda with administrative headquarters in Houston, Cooper employs approximately 31,000 people and operates eight divisions: Cooper B-Line, Cooper Bussmann, Cooper Crouse-Hinds, Cooper Lighting, Cooper Menvier, Cooper Power Systems, Cooper Wiring Devices and Cooper Tools group. Cooper Connection provides a common marketing and selling platform for Cooper's sales to electrical distributors. For more information, visit www.cooperindustries.com.

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