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Mouser Electronics Stocking Bourns' Transient Blocking Units (TBU) First new approach to circuit protection in a decade

Mansfield, Texas, USA – February 20, 2009 – <u>Mouser Electronics</u>, Inc., known for its rapid introduction of the newest products, today announced it is stocking EDN's 2008 award winner for Innovation in Power Semiconductors, the Bourns' Transient Blocking Units (TBU[™]) circuit protection devices. <u>Bourns</u> is a leading supplier of electronic components and integrated solutions since 1952.

The <u>Bourns TBU™ series</u> is the first new approach to circuit protection in a decade. These devices provide an effective barrier in nanoseconds by blocking a transient through a current disconnecting mechanism, rather than diverting or shunting the surge to ground. The TBUs are high speed surge protection designed to protect against short circuits, AC power cross, induction, and lightning surges. All Bourns TBU products are resettable for full functionality after multiple fault events, offer a high bandwidth of 3 GHz, and are designed for telecommunication, industrial, and data communications systems. For more information, visit <u>http://www.mouser.com/Bourns_TBU</u>.

Bourns has created four very diverse TBUs with wide ranging impulse and RMS voltages, trigger current levels, and footprints. The P40 series was designed for VDSL protection, the P-G series for voice protection, the C series for general electronics protection, and the P-U series for Ethernet protection.

"Mouser is pleased to offer the Bourns' TBU, which is truly a breakthrough technology. The addition of these innovative circuit protection devices is in keeping with Mouser's commitment to provide the latest, state-of-the-art components for our design-engineer customers," states Barry McConnell, Mouser Senior Vice President of Products.

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About Bourns

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