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SQUARE D[®] COMPANY OBTAINS INJUNCTION AGAINST MAINE CIRCUIT BREAKER TO PREVENT THE SALE OF COUNTERFEIT PRODUCTS

PALATINE, III. – October 30, 2007 – Square D[®], best known in the United States as the flagship brand for the Schneider Electric North American Operating Division, announced today that it has obtained an injunction against Maine Circuit Breaker, Inc., of Bangor, Maine, prohibiting it from continuing to sell counterfeit circuit breakers bearing trademarks registered to Square D.

The injunction order, signed by U.S. District Court Judge John A. Woodcock, Jr. on Oct. 16, 2007, permanently enjoins Maine Circuit Breaker from importing, purchasing, marketing, selling or distributing counterfeit Square D products. The court's order also gives Square D the right to periodically inspect Maine Circuit Breaker's inventory for the presence of counterfeit products. An inspection of Maine Circuit Breaker's inventory in June 2007 revealed that Maine Circuit Breaker was dealing in counterfeit Square D products.

The injunction order also put an end to the lawsuit filed earlier this year by Square D against Maine Circuit Breaker in the U. S. District Court for the District of Maine in which Square D maintained that Maine Circuit Breaker was engaged in the purchase and sale of counterfeit circuit breakers.

"Counterfeit Square D products pose serious health and safety hazards to innocent customers," said Bill Snyder, vice president of channel development at Square D. Square D is "committed to eradicating the sale and distribution of counterfeit products. Through this lawsuit and others like it, Square D has demonstrated its ongoing commitment to prevent counterfeiting and protect Square D's customers, trademarks and designs."

Square D is a market-leading global brand of Schneider Electric for National Electrical Manufacturing Association (NEMA) type electrical distribution and industrial control products, systems and services. Square D products are found in all types of residential, commercial and industrial construction, in a wide range of manufacturing and processing facilities, and in or on the products of other manufacturers.

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