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Arrow Electronics and Suppliers Support Future Lighting Designers via LED Competition at UC Davis

Winning Designs to be Displayed at LIGHTFAIR International 2009

MELVILLE, N.Y. – Jan. 20, 2009 – Arrow Electronics, Inc. (NYSE:ARW) and key suppliers of lighting components will sponsor the LED Luminaire Design Competition with the California Lighting Technology Center (CLTC) at the University of California, Davis. Students will design, develop and prototype a fully working LED-based lighting fixture (light-emitting diode) using a development kit of products provided by Arrow and its suppliers, including Magtech Industries, OPTEK Technology OSRAM Opto Semiconductors and Tyco Electronics.

Designs will be evaluated on the creative use of LED technology, and overall functionality and design, by a panel of judges to include CLTC and supplier representatives. Winning designs will be displayed at LIGHTFAIR International 2009, in the Arrow Electronics booth (#2575), May 5-7 in New York City.

"Design education is more than the evaluation of the end result as learning occurs through the creative process. Our lighting industry sponsors fuel the imaginative potential of tomorrow's lighting designers with their support and collaboration," said Professor Michael Siminovitch, director of CLTC. "The sponsored technology donations provide students the opportunity to experiment first-hand with solid-state lighting materials and to discover their potential applications in a creative studio environment. This competition enables industry partners and UC Davis to collaborate in the education of future designers, architects and engineers."

The development kit features leading-edge lighting products, including the 500mA high-power LED driver from Magtech; circuit assembly and Optotherm aluminum heat spreader substrate from OPTEK; Golden DRAGON Plus LEDs from OSRAM; and Hermaphroditic blade and receptacle and Poke-in connector from Tyco Electronics.

About Arrow Electronics, Inc.

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For more information on the suppliers participating in the LED Luminaire Design Competition, visit:

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