

BOURNS®

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For release to Customers of Bourns, Inc. and its subsidiaries

Subject: March 2011 Japanese Earthquake

Dear Customer,

On March 11, 2011, the country of Japan experienced an 8.9 magnitude earthquake which was followed by a tsunami on Japan's northeastern coast. Bourns, Inc. ("Bourns") has employees located in Japan and certain Bourns® products are manufactured for Bourns in Japan. Therefore, Bourns has been monitoring the situation carefully.

At this time, we can advise that all Bourns employees in the region are safe and there have been no known damage to the manufacturing facilities for Bourns® products. However, Bourns has been advised by its logistic partners that delays in shipments could be realized since travel in the area has been disrupted. At this time, Bourns believes that delays, if any, of shipments of Bourns® products to its customers will be minimal. If a shipment of Bourns® products to you is delayed due to the earthquake, Bourns' customer service personnel will advise you accordingly.

Our thoughts are with the people affected by the earthquake and tsunami. We trust that the responses provided herein satisfy your immediate concerns.

Best regards,

BOURNS, INC.



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