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***Lighting for Tomorrow 2011* Competition Announced** **Energy-efficient lighting design competition features lighting controls and SSL fixtures and lamps**

Lighting for Tomorrow is launching its 2011 competition—with a focus on lighting control devices and solid state lighting (SSL) fixtures and replacement lamps. Following up on last year's competition, *Lighting for Tomorrow* will again be looking at lighting control products including stand-alone, system-based, and whole house devices. Along with the promotion of residential lighting control devices, *Lighting for Tomorrow* continues to encourage innovation in the use of new light sources. Included in the 2011 competition are SSL fixtures for specific applications and replacement lamps. This international lighting fixture and lamp design competition will be officially launched at the Dallas Lighting Market, January 20–24.

Lighting for Tomorrow is organized by the American Lighting Association (ALA) and the Consortium for Energy Efficiency (CEE). About two dozen energy-efficiency organizations in the US and Canada have pledged approximately \$150,000 to sponsor this latest competition.

Lighting Controls Competition

Lighting for Tomorrow has been moving its focus away from decorative, energy efficient fixture families that utilize fluorescent or compact fluorescent lamps over the last two years. The 2008 competition requested that all CFL-equipped chandeliers be able to dim and the grand prize winner, Maxlite's Brigantine was able to meet this requirement. Continuing this momentum, *Lighting for Tomorrow* launched a fluorescent dimming competition in 2009, which sought efficient dimming fixtures and CFLs. In 2010, *Lighting for Tomorrow* went a step further with a lighting controls competition. Given the success of the competition last year, the category will be continued into 2011. These lighting control devices must be compatible with fluorescent or LED technology. The judging panel will be evaluating products based on functionality, ease of installation and use, innovation, and ability to work with other systems and existing luminaires.

Solid State Lighting (SSL) Competition in Sixth Year

The *Lighting for Tomorrow* Solid-State Lighting Competition has been held for the last five years. In 2010, five winners and three honorable mentions were selected from among a field of 93 entrants. Edge Lighting, from Illinois, received two awards for its Scope LED Pendant and Monorail/Track Light. Repeat winner, Kichler Lighting of Ohio also received two awards for its Design Pro LED Broad Roof LED Path and Spread Light and Design Pro LED Modular and Disc System. Philips received the only award in the replacement lamp category with its 13 watt EnduraLED A19 lamp.

The use of white LED lighting for general illumination is advancing quickly, with new products being introduced regularly. *Lighting for Tomorrow's* 2011 SSL competition is open to a broad range of residential lighting applications and fixture types and replacement lamps. These products will be judged on the basis of lighting performance, style, and energy efficiency.

The deadline for entries is April 15, 2011. Winners will be announced during an award ceremony at the ALA Conference, September 11–13, 2011 in Palm Beach, FL and will be eligible to be promoted by energy efficiency programs across the US and Canada. For complete guidelines and rules for the 2011 competition, see www.lightingfortomorrow.com.