



News Release

**PPL Electric Utilities to partner with Lutron Electronics Co. to sponsor energy-efficient lighting demonstration projects in 50 school districts**

Allentown, Pa. (Oct. 27, 2008) – PPL Electric Utilities and Lutron Electronics Co. are helping to shine a light on one way school districts can save energy, control electricity bills and help protect the environment.

The companies are sponsoring energy-efficient lighting demonstration projects in 53 school districts in eastern and central Pennsylvania.

“Lighting accounts for more than half of electricity use in our nation’s schools” said David G. DeCampli, president of PPL Electric Utilities. “Today’s technology offers schools an opportunity to control lighting energy costs and achieve long-term savings,” he said.

DeCampli said school districts were offered the opportunity to install a new lighting system, and run a demonstration project in their choice of either two classrooms or a gymnasium. Twenty-six districts chose (which one) and twenty-seven districts chose (other one).

Lutron Electronics Co., headquartered in Coopersburg, Pa., will install a mix of energy-efficient lighting technologies. In gymnasiums and classrooms, less efficient light bulbs and fixtures will be replaced with high-efficiency ones. Classroom systems will include sensors that automatically adjust lighting brightness based on available daylight, ensuring that lights don’t draw more power than needed. Additional sensors will detect when classrooms are occupied and turn the lights on or off as appropriate. Teachers will have the ability to control classroom lighting, while schools will be able to adjust lighting in gymnasiums to suit the event.

Lutron is the world's leading manufacturer of lighting controls and lighting control systems, providing solutions that can cut lighting electricity use in gymnasiums by 50-80 percent, and as much as 50 percent or more in classrooms.

"We're encouraged that so many schools accepted the offer to install these energy-efficient lighting systems , and will begin to evaluate their potential energy savings," DeCampli said.

"More and more, customers are looking for ways to take greater control over their energy use," he said. "School districts are no exception, and we want to provide information that can help these districts make the most responsible decisions for their schools and budgets."

PPL Electric Utilities Corporation, a subsidiary of PPL Corporation that provides electricity delivery services to about 1.4 million customers in Pennsylvania, has consistently ranked among the best companies for customer service in the United States. More information is available at [www.pplelectric.com](http://www.pplelectric.com).

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