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### **TYCO ELECTRONICS' NEW MULTI-BEAM XLE CONNECTORS DELIVER 20% MORE CURRENT THAN STANDARD POWER DISTRIBUTION CONNECTORS**

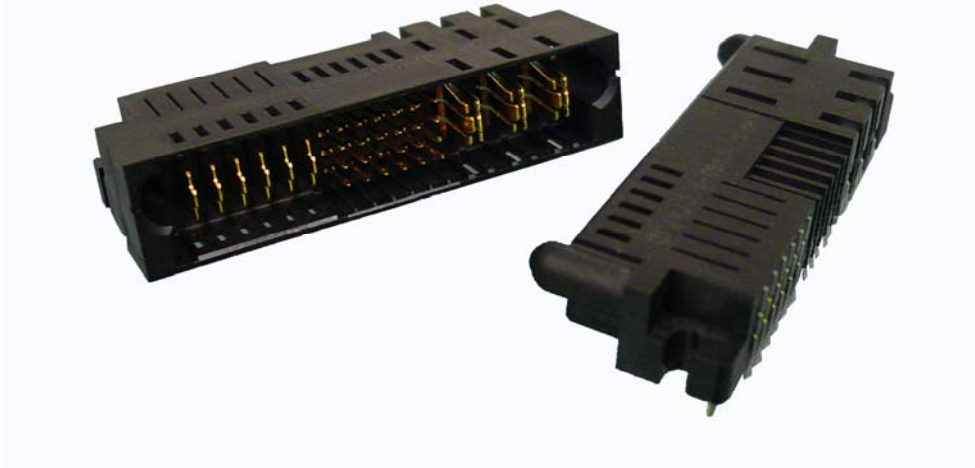
HARRISBURG, Pa. – Feb. 25, 2008 – Tyco Electronics announced a new enhanced version of its popular MULTI-BEAM XL power distribution connector system. The MULTI-BEAM XLE product delivers more than 20% more current than standard MULTI-BEAM XL power distribution connectors and offers more than two times the durability rating of competing products. The new connector will carry up to 43 Amps per contact as compared to the 35 Amp rating for the MULTI-BEAM XL product. The new contact has been designed into the right angle and vertical pcb plugs, as well as the cable mount plugs. In addition, the new connector offers a “low power” contact, which occupies 50% less space than the traditional contacts.

The MULTI-BEAM XLE connector features a true hot-plug contact design that focuses the arc damage during hot-mates to a sacrificial section of the contact. This feature preserves the separable contact interface to provide long term reliability after hot-mate or un-mate cycles.

“In addition to the higher current rating, the new contact designs developed for our MULTI-BEAM XLE connector will enable use of the product in more high-end telecom, computer and industrial environments where long-term reliability is especially important,” comments Mike Blanchfield, Tyco Electronics’ global product manager for power connectors.

Like the standard MULTI-BEAM XL product, the MULTI-BEAM XLE connectors are configured to order. The popular 1P/24S/1P pc mount power supply plug is priced at \$3.28 in 1000 piece quantities. Samples of initial sizes and literature for the MULTI-BEAM XLE connectors are readily available through your local Tyco Electronics Sales Engineer.

Product information is available through the Product Information Center (1-800-522-6752) or at: [www.mbxl.tycoelectronics.com](http://www.mbxl.tycoelectronics.com).



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