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Subject: **SFT END OF LIFE NOTICE**

To Whom It May Concern:

Cooper Electronic Technologies' SFT Series surface mount fuse is at its end of life as a current product offering. The market is driving these devices to a smaller footprint, better functionality, and compliance with the RoHS directive for reduction of hazardous substances (to which the SFT series does not comply).

The 6125FA Series Brick™ fuse is the recommended replacement for the SFT Series fuse. The **6125FA Series is compliant with the RoHS Directive**, which applies to many of the applications using this series. Functionally, the two devices are identical in voltage rating, interrupting rating, and fast-acting classification¹. However, the 6125FA Series Brick™ fuse has a smaller footprint. The 6125FA Series Brick™ fuse offers improved electrical performance, with higher melting I²t values for greater withstand capability as well as faster performance at 200% (5 second maximum versus 60 second maximum for the SFT Series fuse). These enhancements allow it to be used in many more applications. In addition, the pricing of the 6125FA Series Brick™ fuse is more competitive, with immediate availability. The data sheet for the 6125FA Series Brick™ fuse may be found on our web site (www.cooperet.com).

We will do our best to minimize the customer inconvenience and allow the transition to proceed during the next few months. "End of life" quantity purchases are being accepted through August 2004, with shipments continuing into November 2004. The official **end of life date is November 30, 2004**.

Please plan the transition process. Cooper Electronic Technologies' personnel will assist with the implementation as required.

Thank you,

Matt Joiner
Product Manager

¹ ~~Please note that the 6125FA Series is not available below 250mA.~~