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WEG EXPANDS MPW MANUAL MOTOR PROTECTOR SERIES

ATLANTA, Ga. – August 17, 2009 – WEG Electric Corp. (www.weg.net), a leading global supplier of motors, drives, controls, transformers, and generators, introduces new frames of MPW Manual Motor Protector Series, a complete line that features greater protection, more horsepower ratings and smaller size.

The MPW Series is a compact solution for the protection of electric circuits, operation and protection of motors. The series now features three new frame options, besides the existing MPW25 frame (up to 20Hp@460Vac), including the MPW16, MPW65 and MPW100. The MPW16 is a miniature frame and is ideal for distribution panels or as a stand-alone starter. It features smaller depth dimension (44mm / 1.73in) and perfectly pairs with the WEG Miniature Contactor CWC0 Series. It features short-circuit interruption capacity of 50kA@480Vac (cULus) and 100kA@440Vac (IEC). The MPW65 and MPW100 frames are an expansion of the existing line and operate up to 75Hp@460V, featuring short-circuit interruption capacity of up to 50kA@480Vac (cULus) and 100kA@440Vac (IEC). They are both cULus Listed as manual motor starter (controller) and manual self-protected combination starter – Type E/F.

“With the latest technology and design, the MPW Manual Motor Protector Series helps saves panel space and is applicable to almost any motor control application,” said Rafael Larcher, Senior Controls Engineer, WEG Automation Division. “WEG’s Manual Motor Protectors conveniently combine short-circuit and branch disconnect, motor controller and motor overload protections in one component.”

All frames are designed for and are in accordance with international standards, making them suitable for applications world-wide. The MPW Series can handle a wide-range of applications, not only three-phase motor control, but single-phase and DC motors, too. Additionally, the series has

both magnetic and thermal release, protecting against short-circuit and overload of installations and motors.

For more information about the MPW Series or WEG Electric, please visit www.weg.net.

About WEG Electric Corp.

Founded in 1961, WEG has grown into a global solutions provider of industrial electrical technologies. WEG is the largest industrial electric motor manufacturer in the Americas and one of the largest manufacturers of electric motors in the world producing more than 10 million units annually. Committed to growth on a global scale, WEG continually invests in state-of-the-art manufacturing facilities and processes, and the development of new and improved industrial electrical solutions. WEG offers a diverse and integrated product line that includes motors, drives, controls, transformers, and generators. WEG has committed to an R&D investment of 3% of annual global sales.

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