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**SUBJECT : LS-4 Product discontinue notification and Last time buy**

The Woodward LS-4 Series is a important product line to Woodward, however due to the increasing support costs and lack of obtainable components Woodward has resolved to cease production of these products in the near future. Woodward has produced and supported this product line for many years and will continue to offer new sales of this product line in the near future, and support for them in the long term. Please refer to the below support schedule.

The direct successor of the LS-4 is the new Woodward product LS-5. The LS-5 will only work in combination with Woodward's easYgen-3400/3500 devices.

Please contact your local account manager to learn which new Woodward product offerings best meet your application needs.

**Woodward offers the following "Last Time Buy" scenario:**

- Orders for the Last Time Buy can be placed until **31<sup>th</sup> Oct 2011**.  
Woodward will accept orders until this date. We ask our customers to make preparations to apply the items listed in Section *Replacement Products*.
- Woodward will ship items ordered before the LTB date **until 31<sup>th</sup> Dec 2011** based on the LTB volumes. After this date Woodward will stop the production.

**Woodward will commit to the following LS-4 product line support plan :****Now - Oct 31<sup>th</sup>, 2011:**

- Unlimited New Sales
- Unlimited Spare Modules
- Unlimited Repairs

**Oct 31<sup>th</sup>,2011 until Dec 31<sup>th</sup>,2011**

- Unlimited Repairs

**Jan 1st, 2012 - 2015:**

- Limited repairs based on parts availability



Parts obsolescence from electronic manufacturers can present a challenge to post-life support plans. Woodward strives to hold inventory, or look for alternative parts when components are obsolete. However, there are times when components can simply not be obtained and where sufficient last-time buys cannot be made. In these cases, Woodward cannot always guarantee that we can maintain the rationalization support plan.

**Discontinued Items:**

Part Number	Description
8440-1006	LS445B
8440-1030	LS441B
8440-1031	LS415B
8440-1032	LS411B

Best regards  
**Woodward GmbH**

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