

# press information

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**Ultra Electronics Holdings plc**  
("Ultra" or "the Group")

## **ULTRA WINS £6M RAIL POWER EQUIPMENT CONTRACT**

Ultra announces that its PMES business, based in Rugeley, Staffordshire, has been awarded a contract worth in excess of £6 million for its specialist trackside electrical power equipment. This contract is part of Network Rail's continuing process of renewing and upgrading the infrastructure of its rail network. The equipment will be delivered over a two-year period commencing in 2008.

Ultra's scope of work under this contract includes the design and supply of 56 Transformer Rectifier Units (TRUs) and 14 associated protection panels. The contract contains an option for the purchase another 5 TRUs. These units are required to replace ageing equipment with new, higher power devices. As the train operators introduce into service more modern rolling stock, with air conditioning, electric doors and additional safety features, demand for electrical power increases. This effect is especially apparent in Network Rail's south eastern territory where the density of rail traffic is at its highest and where growth in passenger demand remains strong.

### **Douglas Caster, Chief Executive of Ultra, commented:**

"Ultra has a proven track record as a supplier of advanced trackside power equipment to Network Rail and played a significant role in the major power supply upgrade for the south east region a few years ago. We now look forward to being a valued partner to Network Rail in the continuing process of maintaining a modern, reliable rail system power infrastructure."

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**Notes to editors:**

**Ultra Electronics** is a group of specialist advanced technology businesses that design, manufacture and support electronic and electromechanical systems, sub-systems and products for defence, security, aerospace and transport applications worldwide.

Ultra, which employs 3,100 people in the UK and North America, focuses on high integrity sensing, control, communication and display systems with an emphasis on integrated information technology solutions. The Group concentrates on obtaining a technological edge in niche markets, with many of its products and technologies being market leaders in their field.

Ultra's products and services are used on aircraft, ships, submarines, armoured vehicles, surveillance systems, airports and transport systems around the world. Ultra also plays an important role in supporting prime contractors by undertaking specialist system and sub-system integration using the combined expertise of the Group businesses.

Ultra is organised into three divisions as follows:

**Aircraft & Vehicle Systems** including miniature airborne compressors; high integrity software and systems; aircraft system electronics; aircraft cockpit indicators; aircraft noise and vibration control systems; airframe protection systems, armoured vehicle electronic information and control systems; human/computer interface equipment and crisis information management systems.

**Information & Power Systems** including command and control systems equipment; weapons interfacing electronics; radar tracking; electro optical tracking; surveillance systems; naval data processing and distribution; airport and airline information management systems; ID card systems; naval power conversion; signature management of naval vessels; transit system power conversion and control.

**Tactical & Sonar Systems** including secure tactical line-of-sight radio systems, multiplexers and switches; secure video-conferencing systems; voice communication systems; tactical data links; cryptographic equipment; active, passive and multi-static sonobuoys; sonobuoy receivers and processors; distributed surveillance sensor arrays; ship's sonar systems; acoustic countermeasure systems and ship's torpedo defence systems.