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TRADE NEWS: LXI Consortium Joined by Elgar Electronics Corp.

PALO ALTO, Calif., March 3, 2005 -- The LXI Consortium today announced that Elgar Electronics Corp. joined the recently formed standards organization. LXI (LAN extensions for instrumentation) is a next-generation, LAN-based modular platform standard for automated test systems. As a leading supplier of automated test equipment, Elgar Electronics expands the base of test and measurement companies supporting the development of the LXI standard.

LXI combines built-in measurement science and PC-standard I/O connectivity from rack-and-stack instruments with the modularity and size reduction of cardcage-based systems. With LXI, engineers are able to leverage the software and measurement accuracy they currently have from their GPIB instruments to the test system. The LXI standard provides a basis for long life-cycle instrumentation implementations that are not limited by bandwidth, software or computer-dependent architectures.

"Our customers are no longer simply looking for volts and amps, but for sophisticated yet cost-effective solutions for the control and measurement of their system power," said Bill Ruff, Elgar's vice president of Marketing and Product Management. "The LXI Consortium efforts dovetail well with our current and planned new product developments."

About Elgar Electronics Corp.

<u>Elgar Electronics Corp.</u> (EEC), located in San Diego, Calif., is a world leader in programmable power supplies and related power products sold under the Elgar, Sorensen, and Power Ten brands. The company's technology plays a key role in industries such as automotive, aerospace, medical, telecom, semiconductor, defense, and OEM applications. EEC's comprehensive product range includes AC power sources, programmable DC power systems, electronic loads, solar array simulators, and integrated rack power subsystems and services. More information about EEC and its power products is available at www.elgar.com. E-mail an EEC applications engineer at sales@elgar.com, or call 800 –733 5427.

About the LXI Consortium

LXI is the next-generation, LAN-based modular architecture standard for automated test systems managed by the LXI Consortium, a not-for-profit corporation made up of leading test and measurement companies. The group's goals are to develop, support and promote the LXI standard. LXI's compact, flexible package, high-speed I/O, and prolific use of LAN meet the needs of aerospace defense engineers developing radar, electronic warfare, satellite and military communications systems.

A backgrounder on LXI is available at www.lxistandard.org/find/lxi_backgrounder. Additional information about the LXI Consortium's product offerings, licensing, specifications and membership is available at www.lxistandard.org.

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