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TRADE NEWS: First LXI Products Shipped by Agilent Technologies and Elgar Electronics

SAN DIEGO, Calif., March 13, 2006 -- The LXI Consortium today announced that Agilent Technologies Inc. (NYSE: A) and Elgar Electronics Corp. are the first companies to ship LXI-certified products. LXI (LAN eXtensions for Instrumentation) is a next-generation, LAN-based modular platform for automated test systems. LXI certification indicates approval by the LXI Board to officially license the LXI logo for display on compliant products.

Agilent, the world's premier measurement company, is now shipping a variety of modular and compact instruments within five product families: the Agilent N6700 Series modular power system; the Agilent N5700 Series system DC power supplies; the Agilent 34410A and 34411A digital multimeters; and the Agilent 34980A multifunction switch/measure unit.

"These products represent the first wave of Agilent's commitment to LXI," said Scott Sampl, vice president and general manager of Agilent's System Products Division. "Modifying existing products, such as the N5700 Series, to meet LXI Class C specifications is a major step toward our providing a greater variety of compliant instruments."

Elgar, a world leader in programmable DC and AC power supplies and electronic loads, achieved certification for two programmable DC power supply families: the DCS series and the DLM 600 series. These product families include 41 models ranging from 600 to 3000W maximum power, and programmability of 0–5V up to 0–600V.

Bill Ruff, vice president of marketing at Elgar, added, "We believe LAN-based, LXI-compliant interfaces represent the future of ATE instrumentation. Elgar is pleased to be leading the industry in the delivery of LXI-compliant interfaces and is committed to extending this capability across all its major product families. With the broad acceptance of LAN and the logical LXI enhancements for instrumentation, we view this interface as the ideal choice for automated test systems as well as key process-control applications worldwide."

About Agilent Technologies

Agilent Technologies Inc. (NYSE: A) is the world's premier measurement company and a technology leader in communications, electronics, life sciences and chemical analysis. The company's 20,000 employees serve customers in more than 110 countries. Agilent had net revenue of $5.1 billion in fiscal 2005. Information about Agilent is available on the Web at www.agilent.com.

About Elgar Electronics Corp.

Elgar Electronics is a world leader in programmable power. Its products are 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. Elgar's comprehensive range of catalog products includes programmable AC and DC power supplies and electronic loads. In addition, Elgar produces turnkey power systems such as solar array and

avionics bus simulators and certification tools. For more information on Elgar, visit www.elgar.com, e-mail an Elgar 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 comprised 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, as well as address a broad range of industrial and commercial applications.

Additional information about the LXI Consortium's product offerings, licensing, specifications and membership is available at www.lxistandard.org.

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