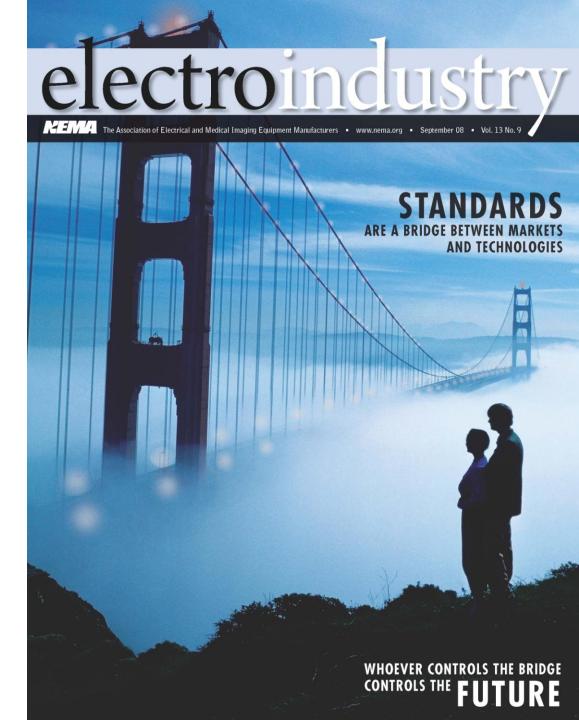


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Standards enable synchronization that enables eCommerce solutions that enable cost savings and increased profits!



## A Strategic Partner

## IDEA is all about serving the electrical channel...it was born from a simple vision...a simple idea

»IDEA stands alone in the electrical channel as a <u>Data Synchronization Service Provider</u> (DSSP) making it the only company of its kind providing <u>Data Sync</u>, <u>VAN</u>, and <u>Data Certification</u> services to the electrical industry

»IDEA also hosts the Data Standards-setting body that further differentiates IDEA from any other company in the market providing Data Synchronization services.





## Vision and Mission

#### **Vision**

In 5 years or less, a majority of U.S. electrical manufacturers and distributors will both understand the value that IDEA creates and will realize cost savings in their business from increasing use of electronic data sharing and eliminating manual business transactions

#### **Mission**

- To drive costs out of the electrical supply chain as the electrical industry's standards-setting, data synchronization, and eCommerce service provider
- Goal 1: The comprehensive IDEA data synchronization platform is an integral part of the electrical supply chain and propels the channel to a new level of eCommerce
- O Goal 2: Customers value IDEA as their one-stop partner for all of their data sharing and eCommerce business solutions
- Goal 3: Compliance with a comprehensive set of straightforward standards for the industry increases profitability among customers













The Electrical Channel today is more complex than ever before.

That complexity is consistently seen in the increased number of trading partners, data points, and new technology with which a company in the channel must confront on a daily basis.





"'You don't start communities,' he said. 'Communities already exist. They're already doing what they want to do. The question you should ask is how you can help them do that better.' His prescription: 'Bring them elegant organization.'"

#### Jeff Jarvis, What Would Google Do?

Reporting on advice given to the World Economic Forum International Media Council by Mark Zuckerberg, Facebook founder

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## Gartner Insights

#### **Multienterprise B2B Integration**

Multienterprise integration isn't the goal, but it supports the goal,

» By 2016 h, imidsize and large companies will at least double the number of multienterprise integration and interoperability projects they're managing and their spend at least 50% moreon Balless execution of business processes

(such as procurement) or the secure exchange of master data (such as

- » From 2008 to 2013 timultienterprise traffic will at least triple
- Siven the factors driving adoption, Web services will be part of a multienterprise integration and interoperability strategy in 75% of Global 2000 companies by 2011, vs. only 20% in 2006

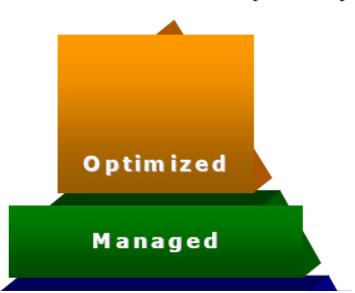


## **Statistics**

## Figure 1. The Five Levels of Data Quality Maturity

## Data Synch

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industries y are losing ity issues.

anizations,

# Only a few organizations have mature data quality initiatives.



Source: Gartner (December 2006)



## **Old** to New....



"Under en beien early 90 red treated by everyone at the time,"

...this generation have had lifelong use of communications and media technologies such as the west de web, instant messaging, text n essages, which is mobile to the web, instant messaging, text n essages, which is mobile to the web.

» phones and that every young person will one day be allowed to distance themselves from embarrassing photographs and material

friends' social media sites. "

Will be more consumer orientated rather than

From Telegraph, UK article

(having been born to it)

Environmental impact will be a major focus





## **IDEA Services Areas**



Standards Adoption

Synchronization Services



UNSPSC/Attribute Assistance DAC (Data Audit Certification)



Industry Data Warehouse - IDW
CericomX - IRD
Data Management Platform - DMP
DMP - Supply
DMP - Demand



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Community Assessment
Synchronization Audit
DMS - Data Management Service
Outsourced EDI

sterling commerce

Integrated B2B Document Exchange - IDX

Mapping/Translation

Web Enablement



Professional Services

B2B eCommerce



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## Driving Profitability with Standards

**COMMUNITIES &** Relationships **New Opportunities** Synchronized
Timely, Error-free

CRITICAL INFORMATION
Standardized
Accurate, Consistent, Timely



## Standardize, Synchronized Data

"Organizations struggle to gain a consistent, complete and accurate single view of the products they manufacture or handle for operational and analytical purposes. This reduces the effectiveness of individual departments that need such data."

- Nine times more likely to achieve gains by deploying standardized data initiatives
- Accurate data is essential for B2B transactions

Source: Gartner Research



## Standards Committee Response to Channel Needs

## 1998 - Product Descriptor Data (PDD Standard)

## **Purpose**

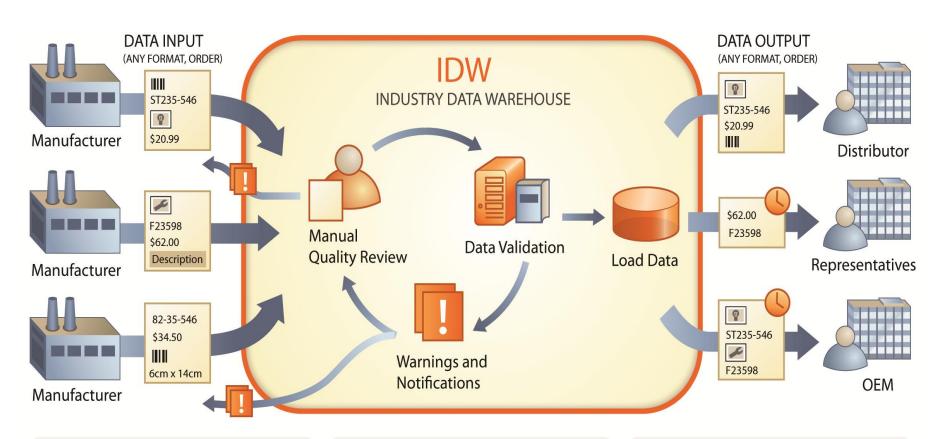
- Provide manufacturers with a standardized format, single location, for providing product and pricing information to all of their customers
- Provide distributors with standardized format, single location, to receive all product and pricing information from their suppliers

## Methodology

- » Based on ANSI X12 EDI 832 Price/Sales Catalog
- Multiple options for uploading and downloading:
  - EDIPro 832 Custom Views Electrical industry subset/guideline
  - Flat File Based on EDIPro 832



## IDW - Industry Data Warehouse





#### **Data Synchronization**

Notifying the manufacturers of any errors or inconsistencies ensures data synchronizations between the source and the database.



#### **Industry Standards**

Checks data against the industry standards and business rules based on customer feedback.



#### Schedule Data Downloads

Data downloads can be scheduled and automated as frequently as needed.



## The Demand...

## **Master Data:**

UPC # / GTIN #

Mfr. Catalog #
...bits of information
Description (Invoice)
that may hold
UNSPSC
the key to

your company's Product Group Category

future List Price (If Available)

**Distributor Cost** 

- **Recommended Sell**
- **Packaging Dimensions**
- Std. Package Qty
- **Minimum Order Quantity**







## Standards Committee Response to Channel Needs

## 2009 - Electrical Industry Attribute Schema (Attribute Standard)

## **Purpose**

- Provide manufacturers with a standardized template for providing product descriptors to IDW
- Provide distributors with standardized product descriptors across multiple suppliers

### <u>Methodology</u>

- » Based on the lowest level UNSPSC (United Nations Standard Products and Services Code) Product Categories.
- An open, global electronic commerce standard that provides logical framework for classifying goods and services



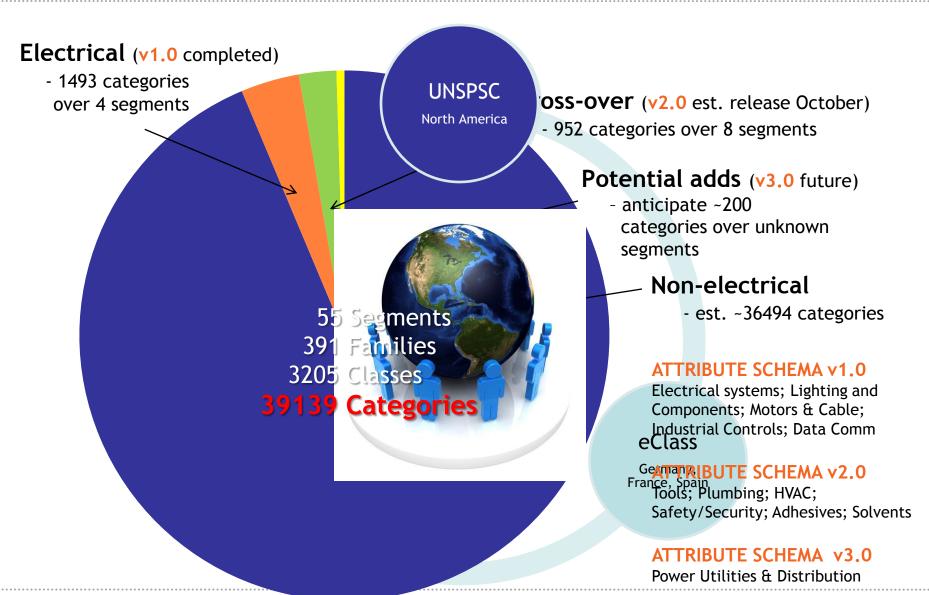
## UNSPSC and Product Attribute Schema

#### **Electrical Attribute Schema**

- Defined set of up to 27 attributes to each of the 1,493 Electrical Industry related product categories of current UNSPSC code set
  - 26 Power Generation and Distribution Machinery and Accessories (Motors, Wire & Cable)
  - 32 Electronic Components and Supplies (Industrial Controls)
  - 39 Electrical Systems and Lighting and Components and Accessories and Supplies (Electrical)
  - 43 Information Technology Broadcasting and Telecommunications (DataComm)
  - Clear definition of field requirements (e.g. alpha numeric)
  - Defined standards for unique abbreviations for each Attribute Label
  - UNSPSC assignment to products required before Schema can be utilized
  - Manufacturer population of UNSPSC mandatory in IDW



## **UNSPSC & Attribute Schema**





## **Electrical Product Attribute Schema**

- UNSPSC (United of the Second Sec
  - 8-digit structured numeric code for Terminal Strips
    - Amperage Rating = 20 Amp
      Segment: 39000000 Electrical Systems and Lighting and Components and
      Accessofication upplies = Environment
      - Color = Black | September 2000 | Black | Septe
        - Connection = BNC
        - Class: 39121400 Electrical Lugs, Plugs & Connectors Material Aluminum Alloy
        - > Numbeatgerminal 121407 Terminal trips
        - > Spacing = 0,437 in.
        - > Standard = 3-A Approval CSA
- Extends out to Product Attributes for Terminal Strips 39121407
  - ➤ Wire Size = 2/0-14 AWG
  - Industry-specific Attribute Schema beyond the UNSPSC standard Wattage
    - Special Features = 0-1750 Mhz Female to Male Inline
    - > etc... = etc...



## **Electrical Product Attribute Schema**



Main Page

#### **UNSPSC Analysis- Class- General Lighting & Fixtures**

#### Family

Lighting Fixtures and Accessories

UNSPSC Code	Category Name	ATTRIBUTE_1	ATTRIBUTE_2	ATTRIBUTE_3	ATTRIBUTE_4	ATTRIBUTE_5	ATTRIBUTE_6	ATTRIBUTE_7	ATTRIBUTE_8
39111501	Fluorescent fixtures	BRAND NAME	TYPE	STYLE	WATTAGE	VOLTAGE RATING	AMPERAGE RATING	FREQUENCY RATING	POWER FACTOR
39111503	Wall fixtures	BRAND NAME	TYPE	STYLE	WATTAGE	VOLTAGE RATING	AMPERAGE RATING	FREQUENCY RATING	POWER FACTOR
39111504	Stage or projection or studio lighting system	BRAND NAME	TYPE	STYLE	WATTAGE	VOLTAGE RATING	AMPERAGE RATING	FREQUENCY RATING	POWER FACTOR
39111505	Recessed lighting	BRAND NAME	TYPE	STYLE	WATTAGE	VOLTAGE RATING	AMPERAGE RATING	FREQUENCY RATING	LAMP TYPE
39111506	Chandeliers	BRAND NAME	TYPE	STYLE	WATTAGE	VOLTAGE RATING	AMPERAGE RATING	FREQUENCY RATING	LAMP TYPE

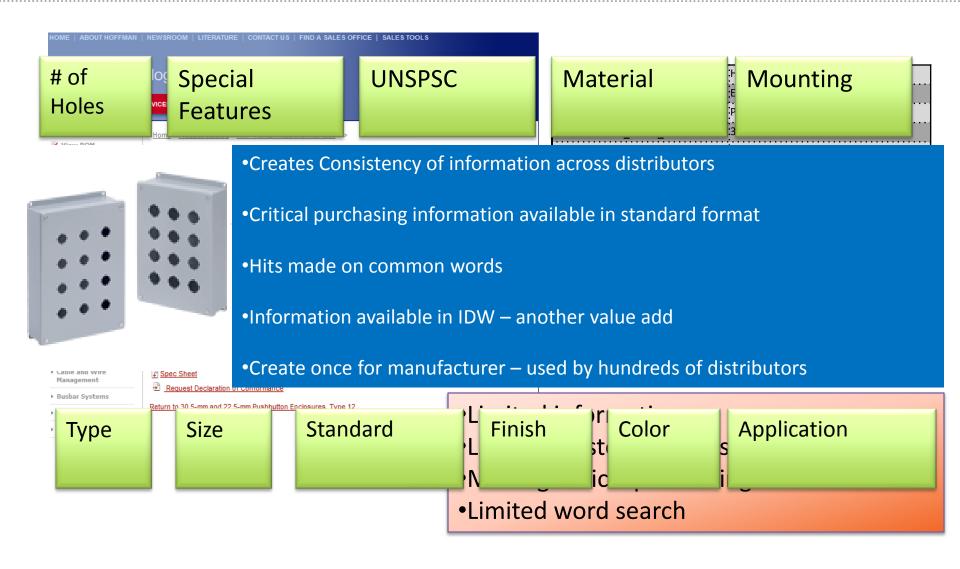
Full Word or Phrase	Abbreviation
FOUR-POLE-SINGLE-THROW	4PST
ABRASIVE	ABRSV
ACCESSORY	ACC
ACTUATOR	ACTR
ADAPTER	ADPTR
ADHESIVE	ADH
ADJUSTABLE	ADJ
AEROSOL	AERO
AIR-CONDITIONER	A/C
ALMOND	ALM
ALTERNATING-CURRENT	AC
ALTERNATOR	ALTRNTR
ALUMINUM	AL
ALUMINUM-COPPER	AL-CU
ALUMINUM-RIGID-CONDUIT	ARC
AMBER	AMB
AMBIENT	AMBNT
AMERICAN-WIRE-GUAGE	AWG

Attribute Label	Data Type	Definition	Example	Abbreviati ons
LUMENS	AN	THE UNIT OF LUMINOUS FLUX,	1000 LM	LM (LUMENS)
	(Alpha	USED TO MEASURE THE PERCEIVED		
	Numeric)	POWER OF LIGHT.		

UNSPSC Code	Category	Attribute Label
39111501	Fluorescent fixtures	Amperage Rating
39111501	Fluorescent fixtures	Application
39111501	Fluorescent fixtures	Ballast Type
39111501	Fluorescent fixtures	Brand Name
39111501	Fluorescent fixtures	Color
39111501	Fluorescent fixtures	Compatibility
39111501	Fluorescent fixtures	Finish
39111501	Fluorescent fixtures	Frequency Rating
39111501	Fluorescent fixtures	Height
39111501	Fluorescent fixtures	Lamp Included
39111501	Fluorescent fixtures	Lamp Type
39111501	Fluorescent fixtures	Length
39111501	Fluorescent fixtures	Material
39111501	Fluorescent fixtures	Mounting
39111501	Fluorescent fixtures	Number Of Lamps
39111501	Fluorescent fixtures	Power Factor
39111501	Fluorescent fixtures	Reflector Type
39111501	Fluorescent fixtures	Socket Type
39111501	Fluorescent fixtures	Special Features
39111501	Fluorescent fixtures	Standard
39111501	Fluorescent fixtures	Style
39111501	Fluorescent fixtures	Sub Brand
39111501	Fluorescent fixtures	Type
39111501	Fluorescent fixtures	Voltage Rating
39111501	Fluorescent fixtures	Wattage
39111501	Fluorescent fixtures	Width



## Attribute Schema in Action





## Standardized, Synchronized, Attributed Data

"Offering standardized enriched product information, is going to make you, as a manufacturer, easier to do business with;

it's going to make your products easier to find, access, and understand.

...in the fast-paced electronic environment that we live and work in today, that could be your only advantage."

Dawn Wright-Perry, Retail Services Manager for Milbank

(NEMA electroindustry Oct 2010)



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