# WHY DISTRIBUTORS WANT YOU TO JOIN THE CONNECTOR



IDEA Connector<sup>SM</sup> is a Master Data Management (MDM) platform that allows manufacturers and distributors to securely share accurate and timely product and pricing data from one centralized location and in on standardized format.

# The IDEA Connector<sup>™</sup> Advantage



#### SIGNIFICANT COST SAVINGS

IDEA Connector<sup>SM</sup> helps you avoid unnecessary costs.



### STRONGER RELATIONSHIPS WITH TRADING PARTNERS

Automated processes that allow you to quickly share accurate and complete product information with your partners.



#### INCREASED ORDER PROCESSING EFFICIENCY

Speed up your sales cycle by reducing order errors, returns, and related operational expenses.



#### **GUARANTEED DATA SECURITY**

IDEA Connector<sup>SM</sup> regularly passes security audits to ensure its hosted data is secure and available only to distributors you authorize.





Through IDEA's partnership with ElectricSmarts, IDEA Connector<sup>SM</sup> data is supplied directly to contractor estimating systems, giving manufacturer product data in the IDEA Connector  $\stackrel{\cdot}{\mathrm{M}}$  more exposure throughout the supply chain, all the way down to the end user.

## EFFORTLESS PRODUCT LIFE CYCLE MANAGEMENT



IDEA Connector<sup>SM</sup> allows you to notify trading partners regularly of price changes and replacement parts before they go into effect. Once loaded in the IDEA Connector<sup>SM</sup>, new items can sync with your authorized distributors' websites within 24 hours.



## OWNERSHIP AND CONTROL OF YOUR DATA & BRAND

IDEA Connector<sup>SM</sup> allows you to control who can access, update or change your data.

# Make your products stand out

If your company is to survive and thrive in the ever-fierce marketplace, you must evolve and embrace electronic business, and the foundation of successful eBusiness is quality data. With more of the electrical industry moving online, the demand for product information that is accurate, comprehensive, and automated is growing. IDEA's IDEA Connector<sup>SM</sup> is your state-of-the-art tool to ensure your product content is in line with the industry's expectations, and everyone is speaking the same language.

# idea 🜆 **CONNECTOR** by the Numbers

Manufacturer

Distributors on Electrical Wholesaling's "Top 200" list use IDEA Connector<sup>™</sup>









was generated in profit for every \$10 million in purchase order sales due to the help of the IDEA Connector<sup>SM</sup>

Contractor Business market is uniquiely accessible to manufacturers in the IDEA Connector<sup>SM</sup>



To request more information about the IDEA Connector<sup>SM</sup> or to schedule a one-on-one, please contact info@idea4industry.com.