

Press Release



ABB appoints Doug Schuster to lead Thomas & Betts globally

MEMPHIS, Tenn., June 13, 2016 – ABB has appointed Doug Schuster global leader of Thomas & Betts, the installation products business it acquired in May 2012. He joins ABB from Eaton Corporation, where he led its Critical Power Solutions division globally. He will be based in Memphis, Tennessee, ABB's Electrification Products division Americas headquarters.

With more than 30 years' experience in the electrical engineering industry, Schuster will be charged with growing the electrical installation arm of ABB, both in the US and internationally.

"We are delighted to welcome Doug on board," Greg Scheu, head of ABB in the Americas, said. "Thomas & Betts is a great business, which is now fully integrated within ABB. We have a portfolio of strong product brands and a reputation for class-leading logistics. We are confident that he can take this business to the next level of success."

Schuster is a seasoned industry specialist with more than 30 years' experience. He joins ABB from Eaton Corporation, where he led the Critical Power Solutions Division. He held a number of senior roles at Eaton over the last 11 years. He started his career in the electrical industry with Westinghouse's electrical business, which Eaton acquired in 1994. He then performed leadership roles in business strategy and marketing consultancy firms before joining Eaton in 2005. He holds a Bachelor of Science in industrial engineering from North Carolina State University.

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Thomas & Betts is now a business unit within ABB's \$10 billion Electrification Products division, which offers utilities, distribution channel partners, original equipment machine builders and electrical installers a full range of low- and medium-voltage solutions from Ty-Rap® cable ties to substation connectors.

ABB (www.abb.com) is a leading global technology company in power and automation that enables utility, industry, and transport and infrastructure customers to improve performance while lowering environmental impact. The ABB Group of companies operates in roughly 100 countries and employs about 135,000 people. The company's Americas operations, with headquarters in Research Triangle, North Carolina, employ about 27,000 people in multiple manufacturing, service, engineering and other major facilities.

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