Bourns Announces Relocation of Manufacturing Plant

Model 3610A2 Series POTS Splitter Product Line

Effective March 2019, the manufacturing location for the entire line of Bourns Model 3610A2 Series POTS Splitters will be Costa Rica. Previously, most Model 3610A2 Series products were manufactured in China while some were manufactured in Costa Rica. This transfer of manufacturing location was made to address difficulties in obtaining ongoing supplies from a subcontractor and to avoid the high tariffs that had been imposed on the Chinese-manufactured parts.

Bourns is also making a design change to the Model 3610A2 Series products that will be manufactured in Costa Rica. Bourns is changing the transformer due to the limited availability of high current rated transformers and the ongoing decline in the use of high ring current circuits. The replacement transformer supports a ring current rating of 250 mA.

The form of the Model 3610A2 Series products will change only slightly through the addition of marking to show that the products are manufactured in Costa Rica. The fit of the Model 3610A2 Series products will not change. The function of the Model 3610A2 Series products will change with the new lower ring current rating of 250 mA. With the change in location of manufacture, the sources of materials used in the manufacture of the Model 3610A2 Series products will change.

The date code can be used to identify the new Model 3610A2 Series products manufactured in Costa Rica.

Implementation dates are as follows:

- Date evaluation samples of the transferred models will be available: **Immediately**
- First shipping date of the models transferred to Costa Rica: **March 2019**
- Last day of manufacturing of the products in China: **December 2018**
- Last date code for the models made in China: **1218**
- First date code for the models transferred to Costa Rica: **0319**

Affected Part Numbers

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If you have any questions or need additional information, please feel free to contact Customer Service/Inside Sales.

Users should verify that the described changes will not impact the performance of the Model 3610A2 Series product in their specific applications.