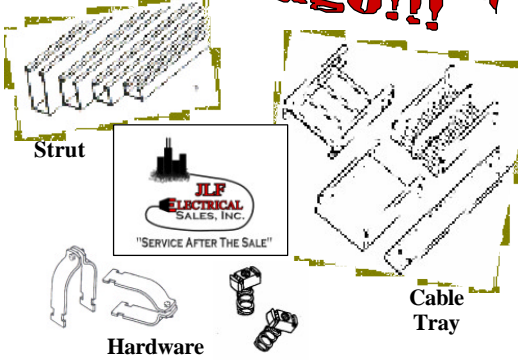
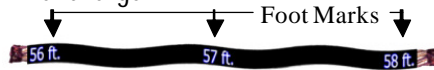


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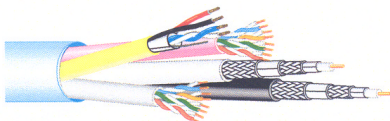
Republic's fill rate for June averaged 99%

Way to go Ron Rosenbeck & all your staff at Republic Wire

BIZARRE TRIVIA

- ? Over 2,500 left-handed people a year are killed from using products made for right-handed people.
- ? The electric chair was invented by a dentist.
- ? Astronauts cannot cry. In space, there is no gravity, so the tears can't flow.
- ? A person who is lost and starving can obtain nourishment by chewing on his shoes, provided they are made of leather.

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AVERAGE GUY

What the average guy would do if he found a briefcase full of money.

1. Keep it, 48% percent
2. Call the police, 43% percent

The cost of raising a child to age 18 today is \$170,460.00

The U.S. currency the average guy would most like to see:

1. \$30.00 bill
2. \$15.00 bill

President he'd want to see on them:

1. Ronald Reagan
2. Bill Clinton



Joe-

FEDERAL BALLAST RULING BANS THE MAUFACTURE AND SALE OF MAGNETIC T12 FLUORESCENT BALLAST

On September 19, 2000 the US Department of Energy (DOE) amended the Energy Policy and Conservation Act (EPACT) with a revised ruling covering the efficiency of certain T12 Lamp and magnetic ballast combinations. This DOE mandate, which goes into effect on April 1, 2005, raises the minimum Ballast Efficiency Factors* for T12 fluorescent ballasts used in non-residential installations to levels that can only be achieved by electronic ballast.

Effectively, this requires electronic fluorescent ballasts to be used for 2 ft U tube, 4 ft linear, 8 ft linear instant start and 8 ft linear high output lamps in luminaries for commercial and industrial applications. The federal ruling bans the production of affected magnetic ballasts by ballast manufacturers after **3/31/05** and bans the sales of the affected ballast to lighting manufactures for new lighting fixtures after **6/30/2005**.

Federal Ruling Discontinues the following Ballast....

- 1) F40 (40 watt, 4-foot) Rapid start, both one-lamp and two-lamp
- 2) F40 (40 watt, 2-foot) U tubes both one-lamp and two-lamp
- 3) F96 (75 watt, 8-foot) Slimline one-lamp and two-lamp
- 4) F96 (110 watt, 8-foot) High Output one-lamp and two lamp

Ballast and lighting manufacturers must comply with the following deadlines....

April 1, 2005 Ballast Manufacturers-Ban of fabrication of affected ballast manufacturers.

July 1, 2005 Ballast and Fixture Manufacturers-Ban on U.S. sales of affected ballast by ballast manufacturers to fixture manufacturers for use in new lighting fixtures.

April 1, 2006 Fixture Manufacturers-Ban on U.S. sales of affected ballast in lighting fixtures.

* Ballast Efficiency Factor (BEF) = Ballast factor / Input power