



Physics Division ESH Bulletin 01-1

Tripp Lite Surge Suppressor

The ORNL Electrical Safety Committee (ESC) has met to review the issues associated with the present and future use of Tripp Lite surge suppressors. As a result of this review, the ESC has determined that an immediate, interim action would be appropriate for users of this equipment until further discussion/correspondence takes place with a manufacturer's representative. Please distribute this to everyone in your organization ASAP in order to provide an extra margin of safety until additional recommendations for intermediate actions can be adequately defined.

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If someone has one of these multiple outlet, surge-suppressor units in use (Tripp Lite brand of Isobar 4,6, or 8 "Ultra" surge suppressors), advise them NOT to turn the power "On" or "Off" by the switch on the Isobar unit itself. Instead, turn power On or Off to each piece of equipment connected to the unit on an individual basis (as needed). Repeating: DO NOT attempt to turn power On or Off to connected equipment via the switch on any Isobar "Ultra" unit.

Below are photos of the "Ultra" unit (by itself) and of an older model Isobar unit for visual comparison. Further details on recommended actions will be provided as soon as they are identified. Thanks to everyone in advance for your prompt attention to this matter.

If you have one of these units or see one anywhere, please contact Alan Tatum, 574-4759, or Sandra Kennedy, 576-0240.



