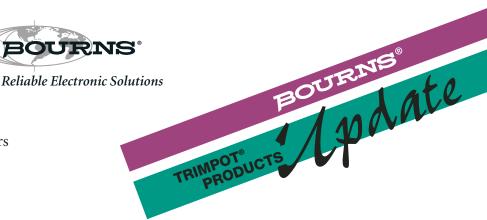


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Bourns® Trimpot® Division Announces 3006 Product Update

Bourns is pleased to announce a product update to the Model 3006. Effective September 4, 2005 with date code 536M we will phase-in a new UV curable epoxy. The new epoxy is tan in color, meets all industry-processing guidelines and is environmentally friendly.

We are making this transition now as the Joint Industry Group (April 2005) lists *Antimony Trioxide* as a Level B material. Antimony is the flame retardant in the blue epoxy. Level B material is a material that:

- a) may involve a significant environmental, health or safety interest and/or
- b) would trigger hazardous waste management requirements and/or
- c) could have a negative impact on end-of-life management

Although removal of Antimony is not a requirement at this time, Bourns is taking a proactive position to use a replacement material now.

There is no change in form, fit or function of the product.

New samples and test data are available upon request. We will be releasing additional models with the tan epoxy and notice will be made prior to their release.



Tan Epoxy Compared to Traditional Blue Epoxy

Regards, Emill Melliz Product Manager Bourns[®] Trimpot[®] Division