

## **Fluorescent Lamp Burn-in Requirements**

Lithonia Lighting fluorescent dimming products do not require that new F32T8 lamps be burned-in or seasoned when used in conjunction with Philips, General Electric or Osram/Sylvania lamps. This is based on the expressed recommendation of each lamp manufacturer as listed below. The actual documents from which these statements are quoted are on file at the Lithonia Lighting facility.

### **PHILIPS**

This notice is to clarify the requirements for operating Philips T8 lamps with dimming ballast. F32T8 fluorescent lamps manufactured and sold by Philips Lighting Company do not require a "burn in " period before they may be dimmed. When the Philips F32T8 lamps are operated within the appropriate specifications by the ballast, they may be dimmed immediately after installation.

### **General Electric**

The General Electric company does not require any of their linear fluorescents whether they are TCLP compliant or not to be burned-in or seasoned before being used on dimming ballasts.

### **OSRAM/SYLVANIA**

OSRAM SYLVANIA does not require that any fluorescent lamp be seasoned before it is dimmed, but we do recommend it. If the lamps are operated at full output for a short time prior to dimming, minute impurities that may be present in the lamps will be eliminated. This is especially helpful when the lamps will be dimmed to very low levels.