

## Kimball Office and KI Launch New Technology at CES

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*PureEnergy Solutions WildCharge grommet; courtesy of PureEnergy Solutions*

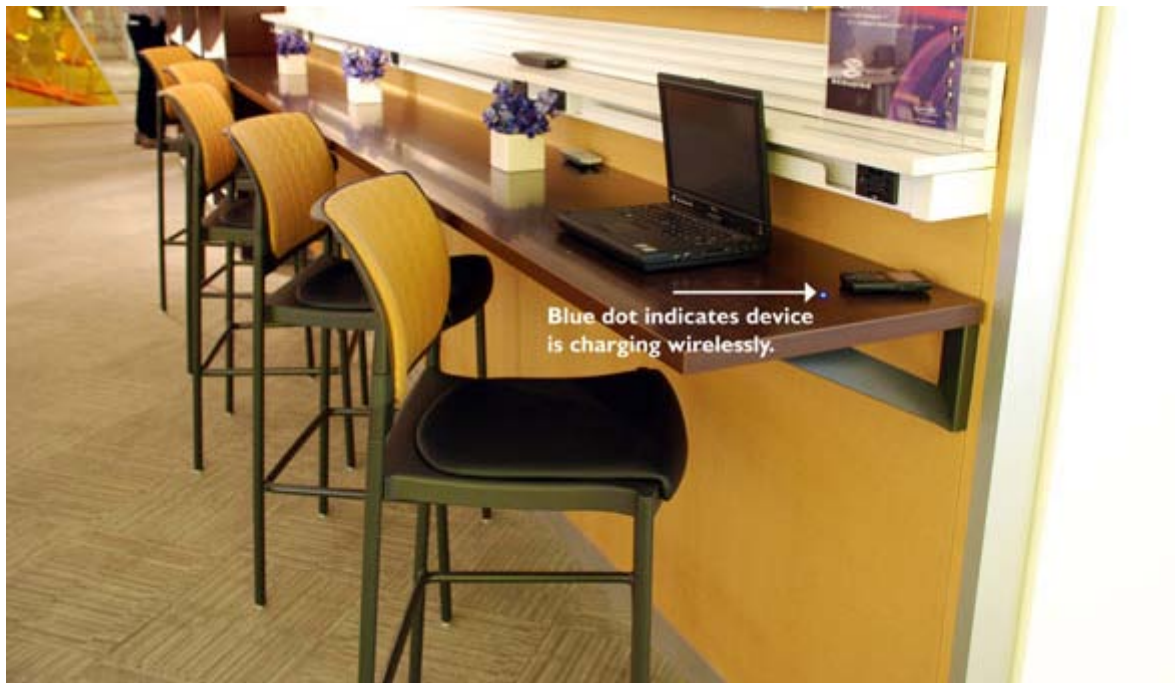
The [Consumer Electronic Show](#) (CES) kicked off yesterday in Las Vegas and the tech world is buzzing with news of ground-breaking gadgets and gizmos. This year, the show has also caught the attention of designers and manufacturers across the country as two of the biggest names in contract interiors launch innovative new products.

From laptops to netbooks to smartphones and PDAs to MP3 players, there is no turning back on the global shift from wired to wireless. And even with the most advanced lithium-ion battery technology on the market today, industry professionals have multiple charging needs on a daily basis. To combat the excess of intertwined wires and multiple chargers peppering our lives, two partnerships are revolutionizing day-to-day tech demands.



*Kimball Office desking with embedded WildCharge grommet; photos by Aly Saxe.*

[Kimball Office](#) recently teamed with Colorado-based [PureEnergy Solutions](#) to provide wire-free charging technology built directly into office desks and workstations. The Kimball products offer an embedded [WildCharge](#) grommet, which allow end users to power up all of their mobile devices, wire-free, by simply setting them on the grommet surface. The grommet supports a wide variety of WildCharge-enabled devices, including mobile phones, MP3 players, netbook and notebook computers.



*KI desking featuring integrated eCoupled wireless power; image courtesy of KI.*

Launching simultaneously, **KI** has partnered with **Fulton Innovation** to integrate Fulton's **eCoupled** wireless power into the contract manufacturer's tables and desking options for workplace and education environments. The charging mechanism features **Wireless Power Consortium (WPC)** standard technology and seamlessly blends into the furniture's tabletop surfaces to wirelessly charge any WPC-enabled mobile device placed on the charging hotspot. The eCoupled capability will be optional addition for most KI product lines within the year.

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