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## **Multi-Location Dimming**

## Product: Renoir® II Architectural Wall Box Dimmers Article ID: 20091214-DLB-RenoirII-02 Date: December 14, 2009 Summary: The Renoir II product line supports a unique method of multi-location dimming which allows for wiring methods consistent with traditional 3-way wiring methods yet supports any combination of up to five masters and/or remotes and supports dimming from a remote location. Information: The Renoir II dimming line has a number of unique features supporting multi-location dimming. The following are all critical points to consider when laying out these systems:

- Master dimmers are dimmers that connect to the load
- Remote dimmers are dimmers that control a master
- Both remote dimmers and switches are available
- Remote dimmers operate identically to the masters
- Up to (5) devices may be installed on one traveler wire, supporting any combination of masters and remotes
- Maximum 250' traveler wire length (longest run)
- Any topology is supported (home-run, daisy chain, "T")
- When multiple masters are all connected on the same traveler wire
  - A control change from a remote affects all masters
  - A control change at a master only affects the dimmer where the change is made

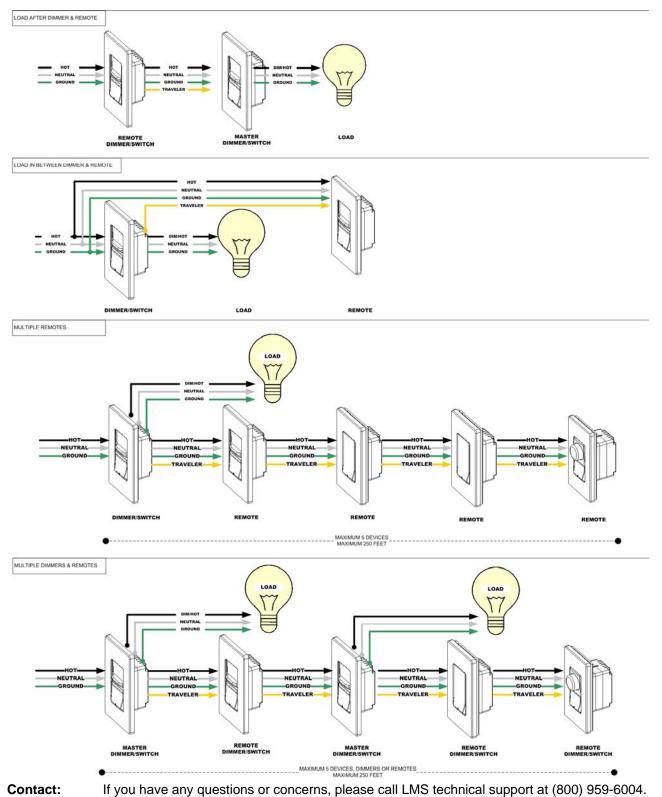
Applications:

- Traditional 3-way applications
- 4-way, 5-way applications
- Fixed-scene systems (preset-masters mounted in closet, remote switches only in user spaces)
- Multi-location dimming dim from remote locations too
- Multiple entrances into same space

Consider the wiring diagrams on the following page showing common configurations.

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