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Challenge
To create a more efficient, safer and more eco-friendly lighting environment, city managers decided to retrofit more than 7,000 street lights with LED luminaires and a control network—making it one of the largest Smart Street lighting retrofitting projects ever undertaken in this part of Europe.

Solution
Bydgoszcz chose Philips and LUMA LED lamps; the GLC142 ballast controller from Apanet; and the Echelon SmartServer system controller. The solution is based on Echelon’s LonWorks®, a worldwide automation and control standard for distributed systems, and the standard LonTalk® protocol that enables smooth intercommunication among the different manufacturers’ products.

Results
As a result of installing its Smart LED Streetlight system, Bydgoszcz expects to achieve:
• Energy-related cost savings of 40% compared to its previous street lighting system
• Reduced energy consumption
• Reduced CO2 emissions
• Ability to meet to ISO/IEC 13201, an EU road lighting performance standard

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