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HALFWAY TO A MILLION: JBL PROFESSIONAL CELEBRATES SALE OF 500,000TH EON[®] PORTABLE POWERED LOUDSPEAKER

ANAHEIM, CALIFORNIA, January 20, 2004 – In a groundbreaking milestone achievement, JBL Professional sold its 500,000th EON[®] speaker last month. Widely regarded as the speaker that started the portable powered speaker revolution, the EON series has thrived on its reputation for versatility, ease of use and power.

“The EON series created the category for powered molded-enclosure portable systems, and selling 500,000 models is evidence of our continued dominance,” said Mark Gander, Vice President of Marketing for JBL. “Success is not always easy to quantify, but in this case, we have a half-million reasons to consider ourselves the market leaders in portable sound.”

Introduced in 1995, the first models in the EON line were the EON15P and EON10P two-way powered system. Since then, the line has evolved to include a second generation of EON speakers with upgraded drivers, higher power and expanded input functionality. The EON G2 series includes the high-powered EON15 G2, the compact EON10 G2, the EONSUB G2, and E-Systems featuring the EON15 G2 and EON10 G2 powered speakers packaged together with Soundcraft mixers and AKG microphones.

“It took EON’s unique combination of technical innovation, light-weight, reliability and affordability to move powered speakers from a specialty niche into the mainstream of pro-audio.” said Gerry Tschetter, Director of Portable P.A. Marketing, JBL Professional “As a result, EON speakers have been enthusiastically adopted by an incredibly broad spectrum of users who have made it the worldwide standard it is.”



JBL EON15 G2 Powered Speaker

ABOUT JBL PROFESSIONAL

Headquartered in Northridge, California, JBL Professional is the world's leading designer, manufacturer, and marketer of professional loudspeakers for recording and broadcast, musician, cinema, touring sound, commercial sound and contracting applications. JBL Professional is part of the Harman International network of professional and consumer audio companies. For complete product and company information, go to the JBL Professional website at www.jblpro.com.

ABOUT THE HARMAN PRO GROUP

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