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JBL PROFESSIONAL's VERTEC® DP SERIES POWERED LINE ARRAY NOW AVAILABLE WITH HiQnet™ NETWORK INPUT MODULES

LONDON, ENGLAND, September 11, 2005 – Extending the proven superiority of its VERTEC® Series line array family to the powered loudspeaker market, JBL Professional is now offering the networked versions of its JBL VERTEC DP Series. These integrated audio systems, compatible with *HiQnet System Architect Software™*, feature JBL DrivePack™ technology with extensive remote control and monitoring capabilities. Developed with Harman Pro Group sister company Crown International, these high-performance power modules with integral digital signal processing couple seamlessly with VERTEC loudspeakers, providing a new level of functionality for system users.

The VT4888DP 3-way midsize line array element and VT4882DP midsize subwoofer are available with optional network input modules that allow JBL VERTEC DP Series systems to link seamlessly into Harman Professional's revolutionary new HiQnet™ system. VT4888DP-AN and VT4882DP-AN systems feature analog audio XLR inputs with Ethernet connectivity via industry-standard CAT5 cabling. VT4888DP-CN and VT4882DP-CN models feature digital audio and control on a single cable, and are Cobranet™-compatible.

With either optional module installed, system users can take full advantage of the HiQnet communications protocol and *HiQnet System Architect™* software. HiQnet compliance ensures that VERTEC DP Series systems can offer a variety of configuration and monitoring functions, through software control panels that address not only JBL DrivePack-equipped loudspeakers, but also other audio products from Harman Professional companies that may be integrated into a sound system.

All new models incorporate Crown's exclusive BCA (Balanced Current Amplification) amplification which features Class I circuitry with temperature-compen-



sated modulation. State-of-the-art feedback circuits enable the JBL DrivePack to set a new standard for performance in digital amplification, with lower noise and distortion specifications than any other high-power switching amplifier on the market. The units include an auto-sensing Universal Power Supply and a fan-free, passive, cooling design, with three-channel units offering a full rated output power of 6,000 watts peak, 3,000 watts continuous.

“JBL’s new HiQnet-compatible VERTEC DP Series models with network functionality provide unprecedented remote control and monitoring capabilities for the growing number of professional audio practitioners interested in powered loudspeaker systems,” said David Scheirman, VP of Tour Sound, JBL Professional. “Now, in addition to the premium-quality sound available with VERTEC Series line array systems, we’re providing improved consistency, flexibility and control. Our customers in the tour sound and fixed-installation performing arts markets have asked for this level of integration and design – and the Harman Pro Group, through the collective expertise and experience of our brands, is uniquely qualified to meet this need.”

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:

Headquartered in Northridge, California, the Harman Pro Group is part of Harman International Industries, Incorporated (www.harman.com), (NYSE: HAR), a leading manufacturer of high-quality, high fidelity audio products and infotainment systems for the automotive, home and professional markets. The Company’s stock is traded on the New York Stock Exchange under the symbol: HAR. Harman Pro Group companies include AKG Acoustics, BSS Audio, dbx, Crown International, DigiTech, JBL Professional, Lexicon, Soundcraft, and Studer.

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