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CommandSoft and ATTO Technology Announce Product Certification and Interoperability

Editors and Content Creators Benefit by Combining CommandSoft's High-capacity Storage Management with ATTO High-speed Host Bus Adapters

Las Vegas, Nev., Monday, April 7, 2003 – FibreJet™ high-speed storage area network software, from CommandSoft, Inc., has received product certification by ATTO Technology, Inc., for use with ATTO's Express PCI FC 3300 host bus adapters (HBAs). The joint announcement was made today at the National Association of Broadcasters (NAB) Convention 2003, held at the Las Vegas Convention Center. CommandSoft's booth, C4162e, is located in the new SAN Pavilion in Central Hall; ATTO is in booth SL3033, South Hall.

With FibreJet's certification, creative professionals at post-production/special effects and digital arts facilities can now benefit from FibreJet's workflow-oriented data sharing capabilities linked with ATTO's high-speed, 2-Gigabit Fibre Channel HBA. The combined solution provides customers with a best-of-breed solution for their storage area networking needs, especially in work situations where access time is key to maintaining rigorous production schedules.

In addition, FibreJet supports ATTO's software RAID feature, a unique capability linked with the Express PCI FC 3300 HBA that enables a single storage area network (SAN) to offer networking software, RAIDs and simultaneous support for both Mac OS 9 and Mac OS X. The combined synergy is a cost-effective way for facilities to integrate RAID storage with a minimal hardware investment.

FibreJet enables multiple editors to simultaneously access identical source materials without altering or copying the original files. And it is fast: speeds of up to 200 MB/s per computer are common in a multiple workstation environment (where all units are interacting simultaneously to the same RAID). It also provides seamless integration with leading applications such as Final Cut Pro™, Media 100™, and major Avid and Adobe products, and virtually all 1 or 2 Gbit Fibre Channel hardware installations.

The ATTO ExpressPCI FC 3300 is a 2-Gigabit optical Fibre Channel HBA offering up to 400 MB/sec. performance in full-duplex mode. Only ATTO host adapters offer a unique blend of hardware and software advantages that enhance the performance and reliability of SANs. Efficiencies found in ATTO's microcode allow the host adapter to quickly and reliability deliver data to bandwidth-intensive rich media applications so the highest level of creative productivity can be reached.

"We are pleased to be working with CommandSoft and to express our confidence in FibreJet," said Sherri Robinson, ATTO Technology's director of markets. "Utilizing ATTO's ExpressPCI FC 3300 and RAID software in conjunction with CommandSoft's Fibrejet provides Mac OS 9 and OS X users with a compelling SAN solution."

"ATTO's hardware technology is a good fit for our products," said Jim Wolff, CEO of CommandSoft. "As post-production moves more into uncompressed and digital formats such as high-definition content, the role of high-speed networking that can handle 2-Gigabit performance will become even more significant. The combination of ATTO HBAs and ATTO RAID software give our customers an important advantage, allowing them to work simultaneously in a single SAN using the same storage in both Mac OS 9 and Mac OS X equipped machines. We are pleased with the results of ATTO and CommandSoft product tests, and we will encourage our customers to use the combined solutions where high performance is a must."

About ATTO Technology
ATTO Technology, Inc., is a global leader in Fibre Channel and SCSI storage-infrastructure solutions for Content Creation and Enterprise environments. Since its founding in 1988, ATTO has been designing, manufacturing and marketing award-winning solutions specifically for data-intensive applications. ATTO distributes its products worldwide through original equipment manufacturers (OEMs), distributors, VARs and system integrators. ATTO's website is www.attotech.com.

About CommandSoft

CommandSoft, Inc. is the developer of FibreJet™, a next-generation, shared-storage solution for Storage Area Networks (SANs). FibreJet enables file systems to be dynamically shared in a multiple-reader / single writer environment. CommandSoft was founded by the original developers of FibreNet™, StudioBOSS™, FC Net Director RAID™, SAN Manager™ and other storage software systems. They were among the first Fibre Channel innovators through their development of HBA drivers for Windows™, Solaris™, Macintosh™ OS and IRIX Fibre Channel chip sets from Qlogic™, Emulex™, and Agilent™. For more information on the company, its products and its mission, visit the CommandSoft website at www.commandsoft.com or call 800-447-0144.

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