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Matrox releases new WYSIWYG video output plug-in for Discreet combustion 3 desktop compositing software

Features unique video output support for combustion® software with Parhelia™ graphics card, further demonstrating Matrox's commitment to video market

IBC, Amsterdam, September 10th, 2004 — Matrox Graphics Inc., the leading manufacturer of professional graphics solutions, is pleased to announce a new What-You-See-Is-What-You-Get (WYSIWYG) video output plug-in for combustion® 3, Discreet's comprehensive desktop software for motion graphics, compositing and visual effects, delivering video output functionality with the Parhelia™ Series graphics cards¹. This remarkable plug-in affords Discreet combustion software and Matrox graphics cards users tremendous productivity gains by providing the ability to verify composite creations on an external video monitor or capture them quickly and easily to tape.

"Discreet is delighted with the new WYSIWYG video output plug-in for combustion 3, especially given the high quality of Matrox's video output support," says Bill Roberts, director of product management, Discreet. "Visual effects and motion graphics artists using combustion software will greatly appreciate both the convenience of Parhelia's WYSIWYG functionality and the productivity gains of Matrox's Dual-display plus video output technology, allowing our customers to complete their projects faster as a result."

The award winning Matrox Parhelia Series graphics cards are the industry's only solutions offering Dual-display plus video output support from a single board. This phenomenal configuration enables video professionals to extend timelines, toolbars, composite and video windows, control and effects menus across two displays, while having a dedicated video monitor available for convenient viewing of clips and projects. Combining this functionality with solid OpenGL® support and exceptional image and video output quality, Parhelia offers unprecedented flexibility and return on investment.

"Matrox is thrilled to offer this remarkable new plug-in for Discreet combustion 3 software," says Caroline Injoyan, product manager, Matrox Graphics Inc. "This latest WYSIWYG video output plug-in provides unique support for our Parhelia customers working with combustion and further demonstrates Matrox's dedication to bringing productivity enhancing technologies to market."

The WYSIWYG video output plug-in for Discreet combustion 3 is a free download for registered Parhelia users and requires the installation of the new 1.08 drivers, which will be available Q4/2004 off the Matrox Graphics website at www.matrox.com/mga in the creative professionals section.

About combustion

combustion, available for both Macintosh and Windows platforms, is recognized worldwide as a powerful desktop 3D compositing software workflow component used by creative visual effects, motion graphics and film production artists. For more information about Discreet combustion software visit: <http://www4.discreet.com/combustion/>.

About Discreet

Discreet empowers media professionals to realize the visual experience and transform their most evocative and ambitious visions into reality. Discreet's award-winning solutions are designed for digital media creation, management, and delivery-across all disciplines from film and television visual effects, color grading, and editing to animation, game development, web/interactive, and design visualization. Discreet is based in Montréal, Québec, and is a division of Autodesk, Inc., the world's leading design and digital media creation, management, and distribution company. Product and corporate information: www.discreet.com.

About Matrox Graphics Inc.

Matrox Graphics Inc., the leading manufacturer of professional graphics solutions, has been delivering high-quality, innovative 2D/3D and video graphics accelerators for more than a quarter century. Pioneer of the trend-setting DualHead® technology, Matrox is a graphics chip designer and board manufacturer whose products have been awarded over 1,000 times worldwide for their superior image quality, practical ingenuity and unwavering stability. A privately held company headquartered in Montreal, Canada, Matrox has international offices in the United States, the United Kingdom, Ireland, France, Germany, Italy, and Hong Kong. Information on Matrox products, drivers, technical support and more can be found at: www.matrox.com/mga.

¹WYSIWYG video output plug-in requires Discreet Combustion version 3.0.3 and Matrox 1.08 driver.

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