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Matrox enhances line of Extio™ remote graphics units with dual dual-link option

New Matrox Extio F1240 drives two 30-inch dual-link displays and other user I/O devices 250m (820ft) away from host PC

Montreal, Canada, May 13, 2008 — Matrox Graphics Inc., the leading manufacturer of graphics solutions for professionals, today announced the Matrox Extio™ F1240—the latest addition to its popular line of Extio remote graphics units (RGUs)—capable of driving two 30-inch displays, each at its native dual-link digital resolution of 2560 x 1600.

A fanless device, the Extio F1240 RGU provides a quiet and secure environment by separating the host computer from the monitors and other peripherals (keyboard, mouse, and audio) by up to 250 meters (820 ft) via fiber-optic cable. Extio RGUs takes advantage of PCI Express bus extension technology to deliver a user experience that parallels working with the computer situated at the user's desk.

"The face of the professional workstation is changing as large displays become more affordable and IT managers seek solutions to issues such as security, heat, and noise," says Samuel Recine, Business Development Manager - Critical Decision Systems, Matrox Graphics Inc. "Extio RGUs—now including the Extio F1240—help address these concerns while delivering uncompromising image quality and performance."

The Extio F1240 RGU is equipped with a Matrox-designed graphics chip, 128 MB of graphics memory, dual-LC connector for fiber-optic cable, 2 digital (DVI) and 2 analog (HD-15) monitor connectors that support a variety of resolutions up to 1920x1200 and 2560x1600 (using the digital connectors only), 6 USB 2.0 ports (4 in front, 2 in back), integrated audio hardware, an optical connector for digital audio output, and analog audio connectors for a microphone input, line input, and line output. Extio is available in PCI or PCI Express (PCIe) to meet different slot requirements on host systems.

Key application areas include financial, insurance, and commodities trading systems; emergency and transportation dispatch control systems; process control systems; security systems; command-and-control systems; and other high-reliability applications in enterprise, industrial, and government systems.

For more information on Matrox Extio F1240 visit:

www.matrox.com/graphics/en/corpo/products/extio/extiof1240.php

Availability and pricing

Matrox Extio F1240 is available immediately. For pricing and other sales information, call 1-800-361-1408 (North America) or e-mail graphics@matrox.com.

About Matrox Graphics Inc.

Matrox Graphics is a leading manufacturer of specialized graphics solutions for professional markets such as finance, digital media, medical imaging, industrial, and enterprise computing.

In-house design expertise, top-to-bottom manufacturing, and dedicated customer support make our solutions the premier choice in industries that require stable, high-reliability products. Fortune 1000 companies rely on our multi-display solutions—dual, quad, and beyond—to increase productivity and improve decision-making by enabling them to see more and do more.

Founded in 1976, Matrox is a privately held company headquartered in Montreal, Canada, with representation and offices in the Americas, Europe, and Asia.

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