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JBL PROFESSIONAL VERTEC® LINE ARRAY SYSTEM HELPS STUDIO BERAR COMMEMORATE 200th SERBIAN ANNIVERSARY

“Europe In Belgrade” presents top classical and operatic performers in concert

NORTHRIDGE, CALIFORNIA, November 24, 2004 – This year, Serbia marks the 200th anniversary since the start of the First Serbian Uprising and the creation of a modern Serbian state. In commemoration of this important regional event, “Europe in Belgrade”, a ceremonial concert, was recently staged in the concert hall at Belgrade’s Sava Center to bring together many interpreters of classical music from throughout Europe. The Belgrade audience had an opportunity to listen to a diverse collection of artists of Serbian origin who have achieved international success on opera stages around the world.

The program, which was transmitted by the national broadcast agency TV RTS, included performers from Hungary (conductor Janos Kovac and The Budapest Philharmonic) and tenor Attila Fekete, Austria (mezzo-soprano Leandra Overmann), Russia (conductor Vladislav Chernushenko and The State Academic Chorus of Saint Petersburg) and Turkey (basso Tuncay Kortoglu, soloist of the Ankara Opera and Ballet). All together, 200 instrumentalists and 200 singers musically reflected upon the last two centuries since 1804. All musicians joined together in a climactic performance of Beethoven’s “Ode to Joy”.

Novi Sad-based Studio Berar was contracted to provide full sound and lighting services for this ambitious musical project. The concert audio system included 20 JBL VERTEC VT4889 full-size line array elements, set up in left and right arrays of ten enclosures each. The system was powered by 36 Crown CTs amplifiers. System signal processing was effected with six dbx DriveRack 480 digital system controllers.

“The high fidelity and broad dynamic range of the VERTEC system are well-suited to reproduce the subtle nuances of classical and operatic performances,” noted Martin



Seidl, JBL's Director of European Sales. "Studio Berar is a very quality-oriented audio services provider, and the company very capably represents JBL's worldwide network of VERTEC system owners from their location in Central Europe."

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Caption: Serbian sound company Studio Berar provided sound and lighting for the "Europe in Belgrade" concert, commemorating Serbia's 200th anniversary. Studio Berar used JBL VERTEC VT4889 line array elements, Crown CTs amplifiers and dbx DriveRack system controllers.

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