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### FRENCH RENTAL FIRM DIGITEAC FIELDS JBL VERTEC® SYSTEM AND NEW JBL VP SERIES PREMIUM PORTABLE LOUDSPEAKERS FOR GENEVA'S FESTILAC 2006

NORTHRIDGE, CALIFORNIA, July 11, 2006 — The Festilac 2006 festival, staged in Geneva, Switzerland June 21-24, was serviced by innovative French sound rental company, Digiteac Industrie with JBL VERTEC®, VRX and VP Series loudspeaker systems. Festilac's producers and talent programmers place a special focus on international vocal artists, and this year's lineup highlighted international pop, rock, R&B, acoustic and a capella vocal artists from many different nations ranging from Cuba to Indonesia. Featured talent included Banarama (U.K.), Daniela Mercury (Brasil), Bettye Lavette (USA) and Jean-Pierre Mader (France).

Digiteac's primary sound reinforcement solution for the critically acclaimed event was the JBL VERTEC system, comprising 16 VT4888 midsize line array elements and eight VT4880 full-size arrayable subwoofers. Powering the main system were 20 Crown I-Tech rack-mounted amplifiers, linked by Digiteac's tour-grade patching system. Four Crown I-T8000 were used to power the JBL VT4880 subwoofers, with eight I-T6000's and eight I-T4000's allocated for the 3-way JBL VT4888 midsize line array elements.

Signal processing was accomplished with two BSS Omnidrive FDS366T system controllers. Lexicon multi-effects and dbx graphic equalizers were included in the festival package. JBL's SRX712M's were used for onstage monitoring, with VRX932LA's deployed for frontfill units. In addition, JBL's Venue Performance Series premium powered loudspeakers with JBL DrivePack® technology made their European festival debut at this year's event. Digiteac used new JBL VP7315DP-AN's for stage-area fill speakers, relying upon Harman Professional's System Architect software for remote control and monitoring of the HiQnet-compatible audio products onsite.

"After a first test last year, which was more than convincing, we decided to purchase a complete JBL VERTEC system, combining the speakers, Crown amplification and BSS Omnidrive signal processors into an integrated event-ready package," advised Digiteac's Jean Michel Clement. "AKG, BSS, Crown, dbx JBL, Lexicon and



**JBL VERTEC VT4888 midsize line array elements, supported by VT4880 fullsize subwoofers, were deployed by French audio rental firm Digiteac for this year's Festilac 2006 in Gene**

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Soundcraft audio products have always been appreciated by our technicians and clients. In view of our wish to provide globally accepted solutions, and in order to integrate a high-quality line array system into our inventory, we naturally turned to the JBL VERTEC system. The result has been totally satisfying during the 2006 Festilac event in Geneva.”

Based in Chateau Gaillard, France, Digiteac Industrie is an integrated production services company offering staging, projection, lighting and audio services. “The ability to meet the discriminating needs of international touring artists in all aspects of their technical production requirements is a rare talent,” observed David Scheirman, Vice President, Tour Sound for JBL Professional. “The audio team and rental inventory assembled by Jean Michel Clement is highly representative of the well-rounded production-service organizations now emerging to meet the quality-oriented needs of event promoters, and the touring production staffs and audiences which they serve.”

Digiteac Industrie can be reached at [www.digiteac.com](http://www.digiteac.com)

**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. Celebrating its 60th Anniversary in 2006, JBL Professional is the proud recipient of the 2005 Technical GRAMMY® award. 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](http://www.jblpro.com).

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