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### **JBL PROFESSIONAL APPOINTS INDUSTRY VETERAN BLAIR McNAIR TO POSITION OF INSTALLED SOUND FIELD ENGINEER**

NORTHRIDGE, CALIFORNIA, May 1, 2006 — JBL Professional today announced that it has appointed industry veteran Blair McNair to the position of Installed Sound Field Engineer. McNair brings to JBL an extensive background spanning 28 years in all aspects of installed sound.

McNair has been involved in sound system installation, design, consulting and evaluation for high-performance audio in houses of worship, U.S. Navy warships, performing arts centers, athletic venues, museums and even underwater sound systems. Additionally, as the Chairman of the TEF Advisory Committee for several years, he has been deeply involved in the measurement, adjustment, evaluation and certification of audio systems.

McNair has been passionately involved in the process of education in the business for most of his career and has spoken at trade events both domestically and abroad. He is a practicing mix engineer for music and speech-driven events and uses that knowledge to temper the hard science with the aesthetic considerations.

“Blair’s familiarity with the dynamics of the installed sound process and practical application of electro-acoustic concepts brings a balance to the complex issues found in the real world,” said Ted Leamy, Vice President of Installed Sound, JBL Professional. “He brings a wide range of capabilities to our growing installed sound team that is able to provide the JBL customer the product-specific application support they need.”

“The installed sound market has developed to the point that, today, the expectation for pristine audio exists in almost every imaginable environment,” McNair said. “These unprecedented standards for excellence are not met without the development and creative application of innovative technology. JBL meets these standards and raises them further through its unwavering commitment to quality and support. I look forward to being a part of the JBL family as the company continues to develop groundbreaking products for installed sound.”



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**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. 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).

**About The Harman Pro Group:**

Headquartered in Northridge, California, the Harman Pro Group is part of Harman International Industries, Incorporated ([www.harman.com](http://www.harman.com)), a leading manufacturer of high-quality, high fidelity audio products and infotainment systems for the automotive, home and professional markets. The Company's stock is traded on the New York Stock Exchange under the symbol: HAR. Harman Pro Group companies include AKG Acoustics, BSS Audio, dbx, Crown International, JBL Professional, Lexicon, Soundcraft, and Studer.

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