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JBL PROFESSIONAL ANNOUNCES THREE NEW APPOINTMENTS

NEW YORK, NEW YORK, October 7, 2005 – JBL Professional has announced three new appointments. Simon Jones has been named Director of Portable PA Marketing, Phil Sanchez has been appointed Product Manager for Commercial Sound products, and Harald Kanz is JBL Professional's new Product Manager for Portable PA products.

Simon Jones re-joins JBL Professional after spending two years with TC Electronic as Director of Product Marketing. Prior to that, Jones had held positions with JBL including Product Manager, Senior Product Manager and Director of European Marketing. With broad channel experience from MI/retail to the professional installation market, Jones brings with him a combination of technical expertise and business management experience to the position of Director of Portable PA Marketing. Additionally, his experience in Europe prior to JBL (Bruel & Kjaer, Martin Audio) gives Jones a unique global perspective crucial to understanding professional audio markets worldwide.

A 10-year veteran of the professional audio industry, Phil Sanchez joins JBL after previously serving as Marketing Manager for Tascam. With a strong background in marketing and finance, Sanchez possesses the diverse skill set required from product management. In addition to his extensive knowledge of the industry, Sanchez will also build on his many relationships with members of the professional audio media as the new Product Manager for Commercial Sound.

Previously a Design Engineer of Acoustics for JBL Professional, Harald Kanz has now been appointed Product Manager for the Portable PA division. A native of Germany, Kanz's first employment in the pro audio industry was as the EASE expert for Renkus-Heinz. His broad knowledge of engineering and creativity will benefit JBL as the company continues to be the leading innovator in loudspeaker technology.

"JBL Professional is very excited to announce these three new appointments," said John Carpanini, President, JBL Professional. "The collective experience, technical expertise and business skills of Simon, Phil and Harald will be of great benefit to JBL and by extension the professional audio industry for years to come."

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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.

About The Harman Pro Group:

Headquartered in Northridge, California, the Harman Pro Group is part of Harman International Industries, Incorporated (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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