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### **JBL PROFESSIONAL APPOINTS PAUL BAUMAN AS DIRECTOR, TOUR SOUND PRODUCT AND APPLICATION ENGINEERING**

NORTHRIDGE, CALIFORNIA, December 13, 2006 — In a strategic move that demonstrates JBL Professional's commitment to providing the world's most innovative and reliable loudspeaker systems for live sound applications, JBL has appointed Paul Bauman to the position of Director, Tour Sound Product and Application Engineering. Bauman has over 22 years of professional audio and global touring industry experience, including key positions at Adamson Systems Engineering and Maryland Sound International.

Bauman joins JBL from L-Acoustics, where he held posts as Head of Research and Development, and Director of Technical Support. He has earned a B.Sc. in Physics and a Master's Degree in Electrical Engineering from McMaster University (Canada), a Master's Degree in Physics from the University of Waterloo (Canada), with Ph.D. candidate studies at Chalmers University of Technology's Department of Applied Acoustics (Sweden).

"JBL Professional has long been recognized as the world's leading manufacturer of tour sound components and I consider it an honor to be part of the team," Bauman said. "I am looking forward to working with the significant R&D resources available at JBL and within the Harman Professional group, and helping lead the company's development of innovative systems for live sound applications. My first priority is the ongoing support and evolution of VERTEC® as a world-class touring system."

Bauman joins a team led by David Scheirman, Vice President, Tour Sound, JBL Professional. "Paul is one of the most knowledgeable and widely respected professionals in tour sound," comments Scheirman. "With over two decades of experience working with manufacturers as well as concert sound companies, he possesses a unique understanding of the demands of the touring business, while his product development skills help push the envelope for the industry."



**Paul Bauman, Director, Tour Sound  
Product and Application Engineering,  
JBL Professional.**

**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).

**About the Harman Pro Group:**

The Harman Pro Group ([www.harmanpro.com](http://www.harmanpro.com)) is the world's largest provider of professional audio products and system solutions for commercial sound, contracting, tour sound, recording and broadcast, musician, portable PA and cinema applications. The Group is headquartered in Northridge, California and includes industry leaders AKG Acoustics, BSS Audio, Crown International, dbx, DigiTech, JBL Professional, Lexicon, Soundcraft, and Studer. The Group is part of Harman International Industries, Incorporated (NYSE: HAR), a leading supplier of high-quality, high fidelity audio products and infotainment systems for the automotive, home and professional markets.

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