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ATTO Technology Introduces New FastStream™ SAS/SATA RAID Storage Controllers

High-performance RAID Controllers for Demanding Media and Entertainment Applications

Amherst, NY (January 4, 2011) – ATTO Technology, Inc., a global leader of storage connectivity and infrastructure solutions for data-intensive computing environments, today introduced their latest shared RAID Storage Controllers. [ATTO's FastStream™ RAID Storage Controllers](#) are independent external RAID storage controllers that provide 8Gb Fibre Channel or 6Gb SAS host connectivity to multiple tiers of SAS/SATA disk storage enclosures. FastStream offers the lowest cost-per-video stream for the media and entertainment industry and enables users to connect existing direct-attached storage without the addition of complex Fibre Channel SAN equipment. All models, including the 5550, 8250 and the 8550 are available with updated features and benefits.

FastStream storage controllers connect workstations or a SAN to low-cost JBOD disk storage, providing managed latency for high-performance workflows. The FastStream is well-suited for applications in digital audio/video and IT infrastructures, including digital film production, high-definition video post production, imaging, digital prepress, disk-to-disk backup, audio production and transaction-based environments.

The [FastStream SC 8550](#) is the highest performing controller in its class, with transfer speeds of up to 1500MB/s while providing parity RAID protection to multiple tiers of disk enclosures. It is engineered to run six streams of 10-bit uncompressed HD video or 30 streams of DVCPRO HD video simultaneously for up to four users without the aid of a switch.

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In the event of drive failures, FastStream's RAID protection continues to supply full system bandwidth to applications while a RAID group rebuilds effectively removing the downtime found in traditional storage array restoration. In addition, FastStream does not require a SAN IT specialist for setup, management or maintenance and is compatible with Windows®, Linux and Mac OS® X.

All ATTO FastStream models come equipped with proprietary technology that helps end-users get the most out of their storage arrays. [Advanced Data Streaming™](#) assures the integrity of stream counts and low latency while [DriveAssure™](#) technology helps reduce management time by eliminating the need to replace storage drives prematurely. [CacheAssure™](#) technology protects cached information without batteries and reduces maintenance costs. In addition, FastStream offers [MultiPath Director™](#) that allows for maximum uptime with multiple redundant connections and load balancing to storage.

“ATTO's 20-year history of providing the highest-performing products for the media and entertainment industry is evident in our FastStream controllers,” said Jim U'Ren, Product Manager at ATTO Technology, Inc. “Our latest models provide enterprise-class features normally found in competitive products costing up to 10 times more. ATTO's proprietary technology available with FastStream helps end users increase productivity while keeping administrative costs low.”

The FastStream line is also available as an embeddable microATX form factor for OEMs and system integrators and supports up to 64 storage devices internally. With flexibility to meet a range of storage needs, embeddable FastStream units are designed with an optional external wide-port miniSAS connector giving customers the option of connecting to additional storage arrays providing a combination of internal and external storage.

For more information on the entire line of FastStream Storage Controllers, please visit www.attotech.com.

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About ATTO Technology, Inc.

ATTO Technology, Inc., a global leader of storage connectivity and infrastructure solutions for data-intensive computing environments for over 20 years, provides a wide range of solutions to help customers store, manage and deliver their data more efficiently. With a focus toward markets that require higher performance, ATTO manufactures host and RAID adapters, converged network adapters, bridges, switches, RAID storage controllers, and management software. ATTO solutions provide connectivity to all storage interfaces including SCSI, SATA, iSCSI, SAS, Fibre Channel, FCoE and 10GbE. ATTO distributes its products worldwide directly to Original Equipment Manufacturers, systems integrators, VARs and authorized distributors.

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