

Logitech AudioStation Express Portable Speakers for iPod Deliver Durable Design, Flexible Power Options; Speakers Extend Logitech's Award-Winning Digital Music Product Line

FREMONT, Calif., Aug 17, 2006 (BUSINESS WIRE) -- Logitech (SWX:LOGN)(NASDAQ:LOGI), a leading manufacturer of products that enhance the digital music experience, today extended its award-winning line of speakers for the iPod(R) by introducing the mid-range Logitech(R) AudioStation Express(TM) portable speakers. In addition to its great sound quality, Logitech's newest speakers offer a durable design, a choice of power options, a protective case, and a wireless remote - making it the perfect solution in the home or outdoors.

In a recent Logitech study, consumers said that a rugged, durable design and the option of using either AC power or batteries are two of the most important features for portable iPod speakers. A complement to the minimalist styling of the iPod, the Logitech AudioStation Express speakers are extremely durable: Metal grilles protect the audio drivers, and the convenient case protects the speakers on the go. The case can also be left on the speakers while playing music to prevent scratches. To give people power options, Logitech designed the speakers to run on AC power, for use at home, or AA batteries, ideal for use outdoors. When powered by the included AC adaptor, the speakers also recharge the iPod battery.

"Our research has shown us unambiguously what people value in portable iPod speakers: durability and flexibility," said Jef Holove, vice president of product marketing for Logitech's audio business. "The AudioStation Express delivers directly on consumer desires, enabling people to play and share their music, around the home on AC power or outside on batteries, with a design that's durable enough to withstand a variety of environments."

Despite its compact size, the speaker system delivers dynamic, full-range sound quality with two 2.5-inch Max-X(TM) high-excursion drivers and a bass port. And, because the speakers support the Universal Dock Adaptor specification from Apple, current and future iPods with a dock connector on the base will be compatible to play music with the AudioStation Express. Using the system's video output jack, located on the back of the speakers, people can watch their iPod photos and movies on their television. The speaker system also features an auxiliary (3.5 mm) input that allows people to use the speaker system with early iPod models as well as with other audio devices, including CD, MP3 and portable DVD players.

Part of Apple's "Made for iPod" program, the AudioStation Express system is glossy white on all sides with black grilles and ports - a perfect match for the iPod itself. Using the included wireless remote control, people can adjust the volume, track forward, track back, play and pause the music while sitting on the couch or at the dining-room table. When not in use, the remote can slide into the integrated storage slot on the back of the speaker system.

Logitech's family of speakers for iPod and MP3 players also includes the Logitech(R) AudioStation(TM) high-performance stereo speakers for iPod, also announced today; the award-winning Logitech(R) mm50 portable speakers for iPod; the stylish Logitech(R) mm32 portable speakers; and the ultra-compact Logitech(R) mm28 portable speakers.

Pricing and Availability

The Logitech AudioStation Express speakers will be available in the U.S. and Europe beginning in October. The speakers will have a suggested retail price in the U.S. of \$129.99.

About Logitech

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