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Patton Ships World's Smallest VoIP ATA

Ultra-miniature VoIP adapter cuts the cost of voice communications for carriers and customers.

SmartNodeTM & SmartLinkTM VoIP...more than just talk.

Gaithersburg, MD: Patton Electronics—the leader in network-access, connectivity, and VoIP solutions—announced today their SmartLinkTM Micro Analog Telephone Adapter (M-ATATM) is now shipping.

The SmartLinkTM M-ATATM is Patton's latest customer-premise-equipment (CPE) innovation for Voice-over-IP (VoIP) networking. It also happens to be the smallest analog telephone adapter (ATA) on the market. Building on a track record of large-scale deployments featuring Patton's VoIP equipment in carrier and service-provider networks, today's announcement further establishes Patton as a technology innovator and VoIP-industry leader.

The device's tiny size and light weight are designed to minimize shipping costs. Built-in remote-management features with Patton's free support services further reduce VoIP operating expenses, leading to higher profits for carriers and lower costs for subscribers.

"Total-cost-of-ownership is the key term here," said Burton A. Patton, Executive Vice President. "Low price is just the beginning. With no-touch provisioning, remote configuration, web management, free lifetime software upgrades... plus our free, world-class tech support ...Patton's M-ATA™ pushes way down on operating costs. Our featherweight form factor also means lower freight charges. That's a big deal for VoIP service providers. When you're sending VoIP CPEs to a hundred-thousand customers, saving a buck or two on each box really adds up."

Patton's pocket-size M-ATA™ connects any standard analog phone or fax machine to an enterprise or service-provider VoIP network. The tiny-yet-powerful device makes state-of-theart VoIP available to any home, home office or small office with broadband Internet access.

"There's nobody out there with a smaller VoIP adapter," said Marco Liechti, Product Manager for Patton's SmartNodeTM and SmartLinkTM VoIP solutions. "But don't let this little guy fool you! Our micro-adapter is packed with powerful calling features — caller-ID, callwaiting, call-forwarding, conferencing, and on and on... It's also remotely configurable and software upgradeable so providers can provision, monitor and configure their VoIP service without ever leaving their office. That saves everyone — providers and customers — the expense and hassle of service calls."

Businesses and non-profits can use the SmartLink™ M-ATA to reduce or eliminate teleworkers' phone charges by connecting remote offices through the Internet to a corporate VoIP

network. The device's ultra-miniature dimensions also add a convenience factor. Employees can easily slip the M-ATATM into a pocket or briefcase to carry home, where the tiny footprint takes up a negligible amount of desk space.

About the M-ATA™

The SmartLinkTM M-ATATM provides a single RJ-11/12 FXS port that connects to an analog phone, and one RJ-45 10/100Base-TX full-duplex/auto-sensing Ethernet port that connects to a broadband xDSL or cable modem. The M-ATA supports SIP or MGCP call signaling, G.711, G.726, G.723, and G.729ab CODECS, G.711 transparent FAX and T.38 FAX relay. IP services include NAPT, DHCP client, PPoE, programmable static routs, ICMP redirect, and VLAN 802.p/q support. Management services include web-browser configuration, multilevel security access, TFTP and HTTP configuration and software loading, SNMPv2 agent, and syslog support. For a full list of voice calling features, go to the M-ATA product page on Patton's web site.

For a hi-resolution image of the M-ATATM, go to Patton's media resources page at www.patton.com/company/media_resources.asp.

About Patton

Patton is a multi-national manufacturer of voice and data-communications equipment for carrier, enterprise, and industrial networks worldwide. Incorporated in 1984, Patton markets a catalog of more than 500 products including SmartNodeTM VoIP solutions that support SIP, H.323, and MGCP for analog and ISDN telephony; ForeFrontTM multi-service access infrastructure solutions for TDM and IP service delivery (T1/E1, G.SHDSL, xDSL, dialup); IPLinkTM CPE solutions for last-mile/local-loop access (WAN routers, modems, remote access servers, NTUs, CSU/DSUs); CopperLinkTM Ethernet Extenders; EtherBITSTM device servers; and a full range of network-connectivity Micro-Products (interface converters, short-range modems, multiplexers, surge protectors). For more information or to request a free datacom catalog contact sales@patton.com.

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