



Meridian America Inc.
8055 Troon Circle, Suite C
Austell, GA 30168-7849
USA

T +1 (404) 344 7111
Media contacts:
E katie.spicher@meridian-america.com
E sue@nicollpr.com

Press release

Meridian Extends SpeakerLink Technology

CEDIA Expo 2008, Denver, Colorado—September 4, 2008—Meridian Audio Ltd., the British manufacturer of stunningly stylish yet technologically sophisticated digital audio and video systems, has extended its new SpeakerLink single-cable input/output communications protocol to its flagship Digital Active Loudspeaker model, the DSP8000. At the same time, Meridian has introduced a new installation accessory, the AC11, that allows earlier Meridian components, including processors, disc players, and digital loudspeakers, to integrate with the new SpeakerLink system.

“SpeakerLink is at once both simpler and higher in performance, which makes it a perfect statement of all things Meridian,” says Bob Stuart, Co-Founder, Chairman, and Chief Technology Officer of Meridian Audio Limited. “The AC11 makes integrating legacy models seamless,” Stuart continues, “while the changeover of the DSP8000 signals our unreserved commitment to this superior new technology. Meridian remains at the forefront of innovation, providing solutions for our dealers while delivering, as always, the very best performance.”

SpeakerLink employs cost-effective and universally available RJ-45 Ethernet-style twisted-pair network cabling to make all digital audio, communications, and control interconnections between Meridian components. With SpeakerLink, a single, easily concealed wire is the only connection required to connect Meridian’s DSP loudspeakers with the company’s audio processors or audio-video sources.

The new AC11 Meridian Component Interlink is a hub that interfaces SpeakerLink components with Meridian legacy models that employ DIN and/or BNC Meridian Comms ports and S/PDIF digital audio connections. The AC11 networks a complete system of components and loudspeakers using any of these connections, while further connectivity—including 12V trigger input, IR Out, and RS-232 serial port—provides for further system expansion, and enables integration of non-Meridian elements into the system.

Additional information and high-resolution photography will be available shortly from the Meridian Media Centre: <http://media.meridian-audio.com>.

Meridian Contact:
Katie Spicher
Katie@meridian-america.com

Meridian Press Contacts:
Sue Toscano
sue@nicollpr.com

About Meridian Audio Limited

Meridian is based in Huntingdon, near Cambridge, UK, and was founded in 1977 by Allen Boothroyd and Bob Stuart. With a 30-year history of innovation and development of the highest quality consumer audio systems, the award-winning company is widely recognized as a world leader in digital and analogue audio reproduction. Meridian developed the world’s first audiophile CD player, the world’s first consumer digital surround controller, developed the MLP lossless packing systems mandated for use in DVD-Audio and Blu-ray Disc, and is the only UK audio hardware manufacturer to be a member of the DVD Forum. The company’s optical disc players, DSP-based loudspeakers and Meridian Digital Theatre systems are unique in the industry, maintaining a super-quality digital audio signal throughout the path from the source to the amplifier, and using digital signal processing to generate advanced crossover characteristics that would be impossible with conventional passive analogue systems.