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Addonics Announces Mini ExDrive Serial ATA Hard Drive Kit
-- Turns any 2.5-Inch IDE Drive Into an External Portable Serial ATA Drive

SAN JOSE, CA (September 11, 2003) – Addonics Technologies today announced a hard drive kit that converts any 2.5-inch hard drive into an external Serial ATA drive to make high-speed Serial ATA data transfers practical and affordable for both desktop and notebook PCs.

The new Addonics Mini ExDrive is the one of the smallest and most portable external hard drive kits on the market. This new drive kit turns any 9 mm height 2.5" IDE hard drive into a fast 150MB per second Serial ATA external hard drive. The Mini ExDrive can be powered directly from the USB port of most computers, and can also be used as a bootable drive on any desktop computer equipped with a Serial ATA port.

The sturdy aluminum drive enclosure fits in the palm of your hand and weighs 10 ounces with hard drive mounted. The Mini ExDrive provides excellent protection and fast cooling for the hard drive.

To convert any 9 mm 2.5" IDE hard drive into a Serial ATA portable hard drive users just need to:

- 1.) Separate the SATA interface module from the drive enclosure.
- 2.) Attach the 2.5-inch hard drive to the IDE connector on the interface module and then slide the drive all the way into the enclosure.
- 3.) All that's left to do is to secure the back panel to the enclosure by inserting and tightening two screws. Attach the Addonics Serial ATA cable and power cable. Mission accomplished.

The Mini ExDrive supports Windows 95, NT4, 98SE, Me, 2000 and XP, and DOS. System requirements include a PC/AT or compatible Pentium or greater system; one available Serial ATA port; minimum 32 MB RAM; and 10 MB minimum free hard disk space.

The complete Mini ExDrive Serial ATA package (Model # AESEXDSA) includes an External 2.5" hard drive enclosure with Serial ATA interface, External Serial ATA cable (3 ft.), USB power cable, AC/DC power adapter, and User Guide. List price of the Mini ExDrive is \$55.00.

Addonics also manufactures a CardBus Serial ATA adapter (ADCBSA2) and its EI Serial ATA PCI controller (ADST108) for users who want to upgrade notebook or desktop systems to Serial ATA and add RAID functionality. Both Addonics products can work in tandem with the Mini ExDrive for a complete Serial ATA solution.

The Addonics CardBus Serial ATA Adapter instantly adds two high-speed SATA ports to any notebook computer via the CardBus/PCMCIA slot. Users need a PC card 32-bit CardBus compliant slot to gain SATA performance on their mobile computer. List Price is \$59

The Addonics EI Serial ATA PCI host controller card is a cost-effective solution for building fault tolerant SATA storage solutions. The controller card features built-in RAID Level 0/1 functionality with the flexibility adding SATA external storage. Addonics includes low profile and standard mounting brackets to accommodate almost any ATX footprint computer case. List price of the controller card is \$37.00.

Addonics products are available through the company online store www.shopaddonics.com, major catalog companies, resellers, VARs and distributors, including StorageUSA.com, Amazon.com, PC Connection, CDW, Buy.com, Provantage.com, Insight, Ingram Micro, and Ma Lab.

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