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OLIXIR TECHNOLOGIES EXPANDS LINE OF RUGGEDIZED, PORTABLE 3.5-INCH HARD DISK DRIVES WITH LAUNCH OF HIGH-CAPACITY RUGGEDIZED 400 GB PORTABLE EXTERNAL HARD DRIVE

Compact, Ultra-Rugged, Versatile 400 GB Mobile DataVault 3DX Introduces A Capacity Breakthrough in Disk Drive-Based Backup and Disaster Recovery Technology Delivering The Industry's First Viable Tape-Replacement Solution

LAS VEGAS – January 6, 2005 – Olixir Technologies, a provider of technologically advanced ruggedized, portable data storage solutions, today introduced the expansion of its popular Mobile DataVault 3DX family with the launch of its 400 GB portable drive, a compact, ultra-rugged 3.5-inch portable hard disk drive targeted at solving the data backup and disaster recovery needs of growing businesses, as well as end users' storage and archival needs for digital photos, videos, music, and critical data.

The 400 GB Mobile DataVault 3DX is compatible with a wide variety of standalone and chassis-based connectivity options making it an ultra-versatile storage solution for consumers as well as enterprise-class implementations. For standalone applications such as data storage and backup, the Mobile DataVault 3DX offers USB 2.0, Firewire, and Serial ATA connectivity through a Centronics interface. Businesses and enterprises can use the Mobile DataVault 3DX as a tape-replacement solution with Olixir's desktop chassis, internal 5.25" docking bay, or rack-mounted RAID configurations. In RAID configurations, the Mobile DataVault 3DX is used as a removable drive that can be routinely plugged into and easily ejected from the docking bay, in a manner similar to tape cartridges. By taking advantage of software compression enabled by products such as Dantz® Retrospect Backup, which is included with many Olixir products, users can store nearly 1 Terabyte of data on each drive, exceeding the storage capacities of most current tape formats.

Proven to withstand non-operational shocks of approximately 1200 G's, the Mobile DataVault 3DX enables users to safely transport, store and archive critical data providing users with the first true tape replacement solution for offsite data archiving and media rotation.

"The addition of the 400 GB drive to our popular Mobile DataVault 3DX product line ushers in the industry's first viable tape replacement solution," explained Darshan Shah, President of Olixir Technologies. "Two of the primary barriers of adoption of disk-based data backup solutions for businesses have been portability and capacity. The patented shock-protection technology that we have incorporated into the Mobile DataVault line combined with the high-capacity, highly-reliable 400 GB disk drive has broken down the barriers delivering the performance and portability that businesses need for the storage, archival and rotation of critical data."

Mobile DataVault 3DX Product Specifications

The 7,200 RPM Mobile DataVault 3DX includes 8MB of cache memory, allowing it to transfer a GB of data in less than 50 seconds. An easy-to-install data storage solution for any computing platform, the Mobile DataVault 3DX utilizes an innovative, versatile interface that can be used interchangeably with Olixir's USB 2.0, Firewire, and PCMCIA cables interfaces. In addition, the hot-swappable Mobile DataVault 3DX has the ability to use Olixir's 5.25-inch DataBay, so that the external drive functions as a removable drive, for desktop PC's or other chassis making it an ideal tape-replacement solution for media rotation and offsite archival. The Mobile DataVault 3DX supports plug-and-play and hot-swap operation with Macintosh OS 8.6 and higher, Windows 2000/ME/XP and Linux operating systems.

At a height of 1.40 inches, width of 4.45 inches and length of 7.5 inches, Mobile DataVault 3DX is about the size of a VHS tape and compact enough to fit into the palm of a hand – making it transportable in any briefcase, safe, cabinet or other external storage container. Weighing in at a little over a pound, the Mobile DataVault 3DX can easily be moved. The 3DX package integrates a rugged cooling system for improved reliability.

Available in 120GB, 160GB, 250GB, and 400GB capacities, Olixir's Mobile DataVault 3DX drives are available now through PC Mall and other resellers at list prices of \$259, \$349, \$449, and \$729, respectively, with USB 2.0 cable. Other available connectivity options include Firewire cable, SATA cable, internal 5.25" docking bay, or usage in Olixir's Mobile DataVault FastRestore SE system).

About Olixir Technologies

Olixir Technologies designs and markets ruggedized, portable data storage solutions for digitized data, including business continuity and disaster recovery solutions. Olixir's Data Storage solutions are

designed to be easy-to-manage and allow universal access to data across servers, media types and storage networks in both the mainframe and open-systems environments. Olixir provides products and services to a broad range of customers, including large multi-national companies, midsize and small businesses, end users, universities, medical institutions and governmental agencies. For additional information about Olixir and its products, visit the company's Web site at www.olixir.com.

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