



Synaptics Introduces LightTouch Interface Solution for the Packard Vibe 500

Illuminated LightTouch Media Controls and ScrollStrip Creates an Elegant New Interface Design

SAN JOSE, Calif., Nov 08, 2005 /PRNewswire-FirstCall via COMTEX News Network/ -- Synaptics Incorporated (Nasdaq: SYNA), a leading developer of interface solutions for mobile computing, communications, and entertainment devices, today announced the implementation of a LightTouch interface solution in the recently announced Packard Bell Vibe 500 hard drive MP3 player.

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The custom-designed LightTouch solution combines scrolling functionality with media controls for Menu, play/pause, fast forward and rewind. The media controls are illuminated with white LEDs, creating an elegant visual effect. The entire Synaptics solution is integrated beneath the Vibe 500 case, resulting in a streamlined, sleek design.

"The LightTouch solution for the Packard Bell Vibe 500 is an excellent example of how Synaptics can create a custom interface to meet the specific design and functionality requirements of our customers," explains Clark Foy, Synaptics Vice President of Marketing. "Synaptics is pleased to work with an innovative consumer brand like Packard Bell, who is committed to creating an intuitive user experience while providing users with the functionality and leading-edge design they want."

"As we expand the Packard Bell line-up of hard drive MP3 players, our large capacity players require an intuitive and efficient way to navigate through menus and thousands files. In addition, we want to create an innovative interface design that appeals to highly mobile multimedia enthusiasts," explains Louis Perrin, Product Marketing Director EMEA -- Mobility Business Unit at Packard Bell. "Synaptics customized a LightTouch interface solution that met both our functionality and industrial design requirements, and created a compelling interface solution for the Vibe 500."

The Packard Bell Vibe 500 is available in 20GB or 30GB capacity. Combined with its OTG (On-The-Go) technology, users can connect the Vibe 500 with peripheral devices, such as digital cameras, that allows for high speed transfer of files directly onto the Vibe 500. The Vibe 500 is currently available in European retailers.

About Synaptics Incorporated

Synaptics is a leading developer of interface solutions for the mobile computing, communications and entertainment industries. The company creates interface solutions for a variety of devices including notebook PCs, PC peripherals, digital music players, and mobile phones. The TouchPad(TM), Synaptics' flagship product, is integrated into more than 50 percent of today's notebook computers. Consumer electronics and computing manufacturers use Synaptics' solutions to enrich the interaction between humans and intelligent devices through improved usability, functionality and industrial design. The company is headquartered in San Jose, California. www.synaptics.com

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Operating in Europe since 1991, Packard Bell is the consumer division of NEC Computers International and the number one home PC brand in Belgium, France, the Netherlands and the UK (Source: IDC - January 2005). As consumers have become more tech savvy and discerning, and the world of personal computers and home electronics have converged, Packard Bell has continued to extend its brand and expand its range of products, which today includes leading-edge desktops, notebooks and digital entertainment solutions (MP3 players, video players/recorders, home networking and flat-panel TVs). Packard Bell's unwavering dedication to the consumer market is embodied in its recognized ability to anticipate and meet the ever-changing users' needs.

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materially from those reflected by the forward-looking statements contained herein. Such factors include, but are not limited to: (a) market demand for the LightTouch solution (b) market demand for the Packard Bell Vibe 500 using Synaptics' LightTouch solution, and (c) the failure of Synaptics' products and OEM products to deliver commercially acceptable performance, and other risks as identified from time to time in Synaptics' SEC reports, including Quarterly Reports on Form 10-Q, Current Reports on Form 8-K, and Annual Reports on Form 10-K. All forward-looking statements are based on information available to Synaptics on the date hereof, and Synaptics assumes no obligation to update such statements.

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