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**TRADE NEWS: Agilent Technologies Broadens its SAS, SATA Test  
Portfolio through Partnership with SerialTek**

SANTA CLARA and SAN JOSE, Calif., , Sept. 9, 2009 -- Agilent Technologies Inc. (NYSE: A) and SerialTek today announced that Agilent becomes the exclusive worldwide distribution channel for all SerialTek products. This expands Agilent's [test solution portfolio](#) for Serial Attached SCSI (SAS) and Serial ATA (SATA). The portfolio now includes SerialTek's line of BusXpert SAS/SATA protocol analyzers covering link speeds from 1.5 Gb/s to the new 6 Gb/s specifications.

With both SAS and SATA now running at 6 Gb/s, designers are looking for optimum voltages, emphasis levels and edge rates to manage these challenging design limits. At the protocol layer, designers are testing to ensure adherence to the specifications so that all products can work and interoperate in a system.

Agilent offers a complete portfolio of tools for transmitter, receiver and return loss tests. The portfolio is comprised of an Infiniium [DSA90000 Series oscilloscope](#), the [N5412A SAS and N5411B SATA electrical performance validation and compliance software](#), the [N5990A](#) automated characterization test suites, the [16900 Series logic analyzers](#), J-BERT N4903B High-performance Serial BERT, [86100C DCA-J](#) wideband sampling oscilloscope, and the [81134A Pulse Pattern Generator](#). With the SerialTek BusXpert, Agilent expands its test portfolio to the protocol layer. The [BusXpert](#) also features a 6 Gb/s FER counter that will be used as a part of Agilent's Receiver Test Solution.

SerialTek's BusXpert SAS/SATA test solutions represent the industry's most advanced protocol analyzer. Hardware and software innovations such as a PCI Express®-to-Host connection, Trace Indexing and microprocessor-assisted InstaSearch improve the user experience when developing and debugging with a protocol analyzer. These technologies, along with the industry's largest buffer size of 36GB, and a simple, robust GUI allow the BusXpert to efficiently display, manipulate, trigger and save traces at speeds not seen in any other competitive offering. The BusXpert is available in several configurations varying on port count, buffer size and platform. Both the PRO and Micro platforms are lightweight, highly portable and easily upgraded.

“Agilent's products for SAS/SATA testing in the Physical Layer are the best in every category, and are designed to meet the challenges the industry faces,” said Siegfried Gross, vice president and general manager of Agilent's Digital Test Division. “The SerialTek team's extensive insight and expertise in the storage industry enabled them to create the market-leading capability and performance of the BusExpert analyzers, complementing and strengthening Agilent's industry-leading physical layer SAS/SATA solutions.”

“Since the beginning of 2009, SerialTek has been working closely with local storage developers to ensure the innovative BusXpert delivered on its promise of

faster analysis and debug for storage products,” said Dale Smith, president and CTO, SerialTek. “We are pleased to make the BusXpert available worldwide through a partnership with Agilent. The partnership combines SerialTek’s high-performance SAS/SATA analyzers with Agilent’s SAS/SATA physical layer testing solutions and worldwide service and support. It’s now easier and faster than ever for developers of storage products to achieve compatibility and compliance at all levels of these popular storage protocols. Additionally, by licensing Agilent’s patent portfolio, SerialTek has access to 15+ years of innovation in protocol analysis to further strengthen and improve its leadership position.”

Additional information about BusXpert SAS/SATA test solutions is available at [www.agilent.com/find/BusXpert](http://www.agilent.com/find/BusXpert). High-resolution images are available at [www.agilent.com/find/sata\\_images](http://www.agilent.com/find/sata_images).

#### U.S. Pricing and Availability

The BusXpert SAS/SATA test solutions are available now starting at \$10,675.

For sales information, including quotes, demonstrations and evaluation requests please contact your local Agilent sales office. or visit [http://www.home.agilent.com/agilent/contactInformation.jsp?ct=AGILENT\\_COLLECTION&id=worldwide\\_home&pageMode=HB&tmprop=TM&lc=eng&cc=US](http://www.home.agilent.com/agilent/contactInformation.jsp?ct=AGILENT_COLLECTION&id=worldwide_home&pageMode=HB&tmprop=TM&lc=eng&cc=US).

#### Agilent’s Digital Test Standards Program

Agilent’s solutions for digital applications are driven and supported by Agilent experts that are involved in the various international standard committees. We call it the Agilent Digital Test Standards Program. Our experts are active in the [Joint Electronic Devices Engineering Council \(JEDEC\)](#), [PCI Special Interest Group \(PCI-SIG®\)](#), [Video Electronics Standards Association \(VESA\)](#), [Serial ATA International Organization \(SATA-IO\)](#), [USB-Implementers Forum \(USB-IF\)](#), [Mobile Industry Processor Interface \(MIPI\) Alliance](#), and many others. Our involvement in these standards groups and their related workshops, plugfests and

seminars enables Agilent to bring the right solutions to the market when our customers need them.

### About SerialTek

SerialTek's experienced team shares a common goal: Design and build the ultimate analyzer platform to eliminate the bottlenecks that keep developers waiting. With the BusXpert's line of SAS and SATA analyzers, they celebrate their first victory. SerialTek is dedicated to raising customer expectations with each successive year of innovation. Additional information about SerialTek's product offerings can be found here: [www.serialtek.com](http://www.serialtek.com)

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