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Compass Control® Now Compatible With Russound C-Series Multi-zone Controller Amplifier MCA-C5 Through TCP/IP

Bi-directional driver gives integrators a plug-and-play solution

Mount Vernon, NY. August 13, 2013—Key Digital, an award winning (CES, InfoComm, NAHB and CEDIA) developer and manufacturer of leading-edge technology for HDTV applications, has announced that Russound C-series Multi-zone Controller Amplifier MCA-C5 is now compatible with the Compass Control System, the first fully integrated major control system built from the ground up to use Apple's iOS devices – iPad®, iPad mini®, iPhone®, and iPod touch® – as its backbone.

The MCA-C5 Multi-zone Controller Amplifier provides eight zones of distributed stereo audio from any of eight sources. The source loop outputs and the addition of up to five additional controllers allow for scalability to 48 zones. C-Series products are Ethernet enabled devices allowing for communication via RIO (Russound I/O). RIO allows C-Series products to integrate and communicate bi-directionally through Ethernet protocol.

Engineers at Compass Control profiled the MCA-C5 Multi-zone Controller Amplifier and completed a bi-directional driver that enables seamless integration of MCA-C5 in the Compass Control environment while greatly reducing the installation time for integrators.

"Compass Control is without a doubt a brilliant and cost-effective approach to integrating iOS-based control into our most popular multi-zone amplifier to date," said Charlie Porritt, CEO of Russound. "Installation is intuitive and easy, which is sure to be a benefit to Russound integrators at every level."

"Resulting from cooperative efforts between Key Digital and Russound, the integration of MCA-C5 Multi-zone Controller Amplifier within the Compass Control environment represents a powerful and user-friendly comprehensive solution delivering iOS-based control and entertainment functionality," stated Key Digital's Vice-President of Sales, Michael Lakhter. "The Compass Alliance™ Partners have come together to create a system that has full driver integration already completed, increasing efficiency for integrators," Lakhter concluded.

For additional information about Key Digital® and its award winning product Compass Control®, please [click here](#). To learn more about Russound and its MCA-C5, [click here](#).

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Since 1967, innovation, quality and reliability have been the pillars of the Russound® product tradition. Located in Newmarket, N.H., USA, Russound offers the products and expertise customers need to enjoy multiroom audio and video systems in the home. With more than 40 years of experience, Russound continues to cater to installation professionals and their customers by pairing powerful systems using the latest technologies with intuitive controls to give customers high-performance, easy-to-use solutions. For more information, visit the company's website at www.russound.com

Key Digital Industry Leadership



Mike Tsinberg, Founder and President of Key Digital, is a holder of 40 HDTV patents

- “Father of DVD” - Developed architecture and system software for world first Digital Video Disk (DVD) MPEG2 based authoring system - key DVD enabling technology
- Participated with Emmy Award Winner for DVD technology development
- 2009 Inductee as one of the Top 200 Pioneers of HDTV by the Academy of DTV Pioneers (CEA)
- SMTPE Fellow

About Key Digital®

Key Digital is a CES award-winning developer and manufacturer of leading-edge technology for HDTV applications, delivering total video systems solutions. The company manufactures a wide range of digital video processing and video signal distribution solutions marketed broadly to the HDTV community, such as digital video and audio processors, switchers, distribution amplifiers, cables, adapters, and more. For more information, visit us at www.keydigital.com.