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CommandSoft and Chaparral Network Storage Announce Product Certification and Interoperability

Combination of CommandSoft FibreJet and Chaparral RIO DISK Storage Subsystem Delivers High-end SAN Performance in HDTV and Other Uncompressed, Data-intensive Environments

Las Vegas, Nev., April 7, 2003: CommandSoft, Inc. and Chaparral Network Storage, Inc. announced today the completion of product certification of CommandSoft's FibreJet™ high-speed storage area network (SAN) software on post-production storage networks with Chaparral's RIO DISK storage subsystem. The combination of Chaparral's enterprise storage products and CommandSoft's software provides customers superior performance and reliability, especially in high-volume post-production settings where uncompressed data, such as digital television recordings, are being edited for HDTV broadcasting.

The joint announcement was made during the National Association of Broadcasters (NAB) Convention 2003, held at the Las Vegas Convention Center. CommandSoft's booth, C4162e, is located in the new SAN Pavilion in Central Hall. Chaparral is in Booth C4162f, also in the SAN Pavilion.

FibreJet provides data sharing capabilities developed for creative professionals in the TV, film and commercial post-production centers throughout the country and supports the Macintosh OS X and OS 8-9 operating systems (Windows 2000 support is in development). FibreJet's file system management protects the data from unauthorized alteration even when multiple editors access the same material and write to the shared storage. Chaparral's RIO DISK storage

subsystem offers a high-availability storage solution for heterogeneous environments where downtime is unacceptable, with its high-performance, modular design and user selectable RAID configurations.

"Chaparral is pleased to be able to work with CommandSoft to offer this functionality to our Mac OS based post-production customers," said Dennis Cindrich, Chaparral executive vice president of sales and marketing. "We are confident that it will result in RIO-based subsystems to be the choice for SAN based HD content by high end post-production users."

"Chaparral's hardware technology is a good fit for our products," said Jim Wolff, CEO of CommandSoft. "As post-production moves more into uncompressed and digital formats like HD content, speed demands 2-Gigabit performance. The RIO controller lets our customers enable HD content in a SAN environment controlled by our software. We are pleased with the results of Chaparral and CommandSoft product tests, and we will encourage our customers to use the combined solutions where high performance is a must."

Chaparral's RIO DISK storage solution features 2-Gigabit Fibre Channel to Fibre Channel host connections. ON-board web-based management, highly-available architecture and high-end performance in terms of I/O per second and sustained throughput places the RIO DISK storage subsystem on the upper end of functionality and performance, while maintaining a very competitive price point in the market. It is perfect for bandwidth-intensive Rich Media applications so the highest level of creative productivity can be reached.

FibreJet enables multiple editors to simultaneously access identical source materials without altering or copying the original files. Speeds of up to 200 MB/s per computer are common in a multiple workstation environment (where all units are interacting simultaneously to the same RAID). It also provides seamless integration with leading applications such as Final Cut Pro™, Media 100™, and major Avid and Adobe products, and virtually all 1-or 2-Gigabit Fibre Channel hardware installations.

About Chaparral (www.chaparralnet.com)
Chaparral Network Storage, Inc., a privately held company headquartered in Boulder, Colo., designs and markets storage appliances that provide simple solutions to common storage networking problems. Chaparral specializes in advanced performance devices that deliver data efficiently within the network, and sells protocol bridges, data routers, RAID controllers and disk

array appliances that are network-ready. Chaparral's storage networking appliances feature SCSI and FC connectivity, easy device configuration and management tools, and tested interoperability with leading SAN products and storage resource management software. Chaparral's family of 2Gb Fibre Channel appliances allows any system administrator to build high performance storage networks on a manageable budget. Chaparral's solutions are available through select storage OEMs, resellers, and distributors worldwide.

About CommandSoft (www.commandsoft.com)
CommandSoft, Inc. is the developer of FibreJet™, a next-generation, shared-storage solution for Storage Area Networks (SANs). FibreJet enables file systems to be dynamically shared in a multiple-reader / single writer environment. CommandSoft was founded by the original developers of FibreNet, StudioBOSS, FC Net Director RAID, SAN Manager and other storage software systems. They were among the first Fibre Channel innovators through their development of HBA drivers for Windows, Solaris, Mac OS and IRIX Fibre Channel chip sets from Qlogic, Emulex, and Agilent. For more information on the company, its products and its mission, visit the CommandSoft website at www.commandsoft.com.

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