



HighPoint Broadens SAS Deployments with Industry's First Cost Effective PCI-Express x4 SAS RAID 5 Controller

Milpitas Calif. – HighPoint Technologies, releases the RocketRAID 2640X4 to broaden SAS technology deployments with a cost effective, high performing PCI-Express x4 SAS RAID 5 controller.

The RocketRAID 2640X4 is a 4 channel PCI-Express x4 SAS RAID controller that supports RAID levels (0, 1, 5, 10 and JBOD). The new SAS RAID controller will infuse desktops and workstations with a new level of flexibility, performance and reliability at an affordable price.

The RocketRAID 2640X4 PCI-Express x4 bus speed delivers true SAS performance that is 2X the throughput speed of SATA. Performance bottlenecks occur with PCI-Express x1 bus speeds limiting SAS performance throughput to SATA speeds. The true performance of SAS offers a seamless integration with High Definition Performance Applications- CAD, Graphics, Imaging, Digital video, Audio Editing Desktops and Workstations.

The RocketRAID 2640X4 offers the flexibility to be able to support either 15,000 rpm SAS hard drives for performance or low cost SATA hard drives for capacity. The ability to deploy either type of drives allows the computer system to be optimized for specific application and cost requirements. Disks with SAS interfaces are designed to meet the performance and reliability characteristics required for enterprise-class server arrays and RAID systems. SAS drives retain all of the reliability and performance advantages of traditional SCSI and while eliminating the weaknesses of the parallel interface.

The release of the RocketRAID 2640X4 PCI-Express x4 SAS RAID controller broadens the adoption of SAS technology that has been limited to server or storage systems due to the high costs and limited diversity. HighPoint is enabling desktops and workstations to experience SAS flexibility, performance and reliability at an affordable price.

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