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CUMULUS MEDIA SELECTS WHEATSTONE CONSOLES AND ROUTER FOR NEW HOUSTON STATION

New Bern, NC (September 12, 2001) - Cumulus Media, the nation's second largest station owner, has purchased Wheatstone's D-5000 consoles and a BRIDGE 2001 audio network router system for the Organization's newest facility, a top 10 market FM station to launch soon from the Galleria complex in Houston, Texas.

Wheatstone's D-5000 consoles will mix and process the station's audio from production through on-air, all in the digital domain. In addition, the consoles will accommodate audio studio production for numerous remote broadcasts and live DJ mixing. Wheatstone is custom configuring the consoles to communicate with the station's automation system with faders displaying the names of upcoming songs. The BRIDGE 2001 expands each console's capabilities with selected sources instantly shown to the operators. Salvo recall of multiple sources to outputs makes day part changes simple.

"Wheatstone's long-standing commitment to the industry and their enormous staff and support team were pivotal factors in our decision process," said Gary Kline, Special Projects, Corporate Engineer for Cumulus Media. "Wheatstone's professionalism and dedication extends to helping us to achieve our goals of clear, perfect audio. They truly understand the needs of the end user and accommodated all of our requests."

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Cumulus chose Wheatstone's D-5000, a totally modular console that features hot-swap design with a traditional user interface, dedicated phone module, alpha source displays, computerized set-up and configuration. Inputs can be easily field-converted from analog to digital.

Wheatstone's BRIDGE 2001, the latest generation Digital Audio Network Router, will furnish Cumulus with a powerful, practical, cost-saving solution that will allow for future upgrades and expansion. The 2001 features bi-directional fiberoptic or CAT-5 interlocation connectivity, all digital domain AES switching, analog and digital inputs, and analog and digital outputs. The system components mount in a compact seven inch rackmount digital routing cage. Each cage is capable of handling 512 simultaneous audio channels on its backplane.

WHEATSTONE CORPORATION is the leading supplier of audio mixing consoles for the broadcast industry. Located in New Bern, North Carolina, USA, Wheatstone Corporation designs and manufactures professional broadcast audio equipment under the WHEATSTONE, AUDIOARTS ENGINEERING and AUDITRONICS brand names. The company also markets the Bridge 2001 digital audio network router and several lines of studio furniture, as well as a unique studio interface wiring system.

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