



## NEWS RELEASE

### **Digital Acoustics Offers Cost-Effective Ethernet IP Communication Solutions Using Existing School Networks**

#### **Two-Way Network IP Intercom and Paging Systems Provide Direct and Instant Communication for Daily Use and Life Safety Situations**

LAKE FOREST, Ill. (June 14, 2006) – Intercom and paging systems are vital to the daily management of school buildings, particularly during an emergency when the life safety of building occupants is at greatest risk. Working to provide efficient, cost-effective alternatives to hard-wired analog systems, Digital Acoustics®, a leading innovator of network audio and paging solutions, is now providing the next generation of instant communication technology with *ii3 IP Intercoms*™. The system, which leverages existing classroom network connectivity, serves to enhance the speed and efficiency of communication between teachers, administrators and students over unlimited distance.

Using Digital Acoustics' PC-based application *TalkMaster*™ and the IP intercom series, administrators can easily choose where communication should be directed during safety drills. For example, during a lockdown drill principals can direct messages to reach every classroom, hallway, the library and the cafeteria or they may choose to communicate solely with one classroom.

Unique to this two-way system is that a teacher from within her classroom can instantly and efficiently contact the central office using the school's existing network. The *ii3 IP Intercom* series can replace classroom analog phones, providing districts with a cost-effective and fully managed communications solution utilizing their existing local area (LAN) or wide area (WAN) network. With *TalkMaster Enterprise Edition Software*™, all school buildings or campuses may be addressed simultaneously by the superintendent for district-wide announcements.

“Approximately 95% of all U.S. public K-12 schools have Internet access in their classrooms now,” explains Chris Coffin, CEO and Co-Founder of Digital Acoustics. “With this infrastructure already in place, districts can implement a state of the art intercom system at a fraction of the cost of traditional options with our *ii3 IP Intercom* series.”

Digital Acoustics' patent-pending technology provides:

- Instant personal communication, from centralized operator console(s)
- Increased return on infrastructure investments
- Reduced installation cost through shared infrastructure
- Voice-quality audio using limited amounts of network bandwidth
- Scalability to 1,000s of stations or locations, one at a time
- Simple connectivity via Ethernet, wireless or fiber networks
- Flexible installation with Power-over-Ethernet option
- Optional on-board two-port switch

Digital Acoustics offers multiple intercom solutions, including the *ii3-EDW & EDB Desktop™* and the *ii3-ESW Surface Mount™* Intercoms, which are most applicable within a K-12 school setting. IP Intercoms can also be used for other organizational and access control communication needs, including resident halls and parking garages.

### **About Digital Acoustics**

Digital Acoustics Corporation®, founded in 1991, develops efficient, beneficial and cost-effective technology to create practical communication solutions. Its state-of-the-art audio-over-IP solutions, including the *ii3 IP Intercom Series™* and *TalkMaster™* software, have been deployed in educational institutions, major corporations, transportation applications, parking structures, residential security, military and government facilities, remote robotic vehicles, and more. The company's customers include Fortune 500 companies, educational institutions, equipment manufacturers, system integrators, government and military organizations, utilities and others. Headquartered in Lake Forest, Ill., Digital Acoustics focuses on developing solutions and products in the converging areas of speech, data communications and semiconductor technology. For more information call toll free 1-877-724-3387 or visit [www.digitalacoustics.com](http://www.digitalacoustics.com).

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