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HME celebrates 40 years of technological innovation

Founded in 1971, company now sells, services and supports products in 89 countries

SAN DIEGO, CA—December 5, 2011—HM Electronics, Inc. (HME) is proud to mark its 40th anniversary as a leader in wireless technology. Named after its founder, Harrison Miyahira in 1971, HME has been an early innovator in improving and advancing wireless digital communication. Today HME is four diverse companies serving niche markets around the globe, including restaurants, healthcare, sports communication and professional audio. The company has been located in San Diego, California since its inception.

HME first hit its mark in 1975, when Mr. Miyahira developed the professional wireless microphone. In 1981, HME introduced the first professional wireless intercom system. This was the beginning of the Communication Systems Division (CSD), specialists in local area communications.

In 1983, HME introduced the concept of using wireless audio to McDonald's. Today, wireless headsets are the standard of the drive-thru industry. HME is credited for having pioneered this concept, and received the McDonald's Cornerstone Partners Award in 2002 for contributions to the industry.

HME expanded beyond communications technology in 1993, with the development of our first drive-thru timer. Today, multiple generations of our drive-thru timer systems proliferate the quick service restaurant market, enabling dramatic improvements in speed of service for drive-thru customers.

HME continued its tradition of innovation with a series of technology advancements and industry firsts. The introduction of ClearSound in 1997 was the first implementation of noise cancellation for drive-thru. ClearSound removes car engine and other ambient noise for improved order accuracy and speed of service. By 2004, HME introduced Wireless IQ, the first digital system offering breakthrough sound clarity for faster, more accurate drive-thru service.

Seven years later, in 2011, HME introduced a digital ION IQ system, pushing sound quality to a whole new level, and dramatically reducing the size of our communications hardware. As a result of the accomplishments, everyday quick service restaurants take over 24 million orders using HME systems.

In 1999 HME acquired Commercial Electronics. With two domestic service locations, HME now had a comprehensive service capability unmatched in its ability to provide comprehensive service and support throughout the U.S.



In 2007, HME decided to expand outside of the professional audio and quick service markets and purchased NTN Wireless in Suwanee, GA. Now HME Wireless, Inc., the wholly-owned subsidiary manufactures and sells onsite paging systems to hospitality and other markets. HME Wireless' restaurant paging systems, medical pagers and wireless headsets help to ensure quick and confidential communication between customers, patients and staff—providing peace-of-mind and a better guest experience.

Also in 2007, HME decided to leverage its communication technology expertise and introduced a new line of wireless communication intercom products for the football market. The systems help to improve sideline communication for leading high school and college programs around the country.

In 2010, HME acquired Clear-Com, a leading provider in mission-critical voice communication for broadcast, live performance, military, government, and additional professional audio markets. With Clear-Com, HME now offers the broadest selection of digital matrix, Partyline, IP and wireless intercom systems in the industry, solidifying its leadership in the global pro audio market.

HME now sells, services and supports products in 89 countries worldwide–via company-owned offices in the U.S., Canada, Europe, and China, and an extensive network of HME-authorized distributors and dealers.

"Our 40th anniversary is an important milestone in our history. When you have great products, great service and passionate people, anything is possible," said Chuck Miyahira, CEO. "We're even more excited than ever about the opportunities ahead."

About HME

HM Electronics, Inc. is a diverse group of companies providing solutions that enhance productivity and customer service in markets including restaurants, sports and professional audio. Founded in 1971, we sell, service and support products in 89 countries worldwide, via company-owned offices in the U.S., Canada, Europe, and China, and an extensive network of HME-authorized distributors, dealers and service agents. Every day quick service restaurants take over 24 million orders using HME systems. With the recent acquisition of Clear-Com, HME is the world's leading provider of professional intercom systems. To learn more, visit www.hme.com.

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