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**Digium® Ships 4 Millionth Port to
Support Exploding Demand for Asterisk® Phone Systems**

Open source telephony leader and partners deliver hardware to connect to digital and analog public telephone networks the millions looking to take advantage of the flexibility of Asterisk

HUNTSVILLE, Ala., June 24, 2008—[Digium®, Inc.](http://www.digium.com), the Asterisk® Company, today announced delivery of the 4 millionth Digium port for connecting telephony systems based on Asterisk to communications networks. The number is an indicator of the rapid rise in popularity of Asterisk, the world's most widely used open source telephony platform, for managing voice communications and, increasingly, integrating voice with corporate data. Digium has become the preferred source for the interface cards—each of which contains one or more ports that connect phone lines to communications networks—based on quality, flexibility and performance.

Asterisk allows organizations of all sizes and industries to decrease cost of ownership and improve control over voice communications. It offers all the features of expensive corporate phone systems and the ability to be implemented in a variety of ways and comes at a price that's easy to afford. Alongside Asterisk, Digium offers high-quality interface cards that connect the phone system to different types of networks, including analog telephone service (POTS) and digital E1/T1/PRI or BRI. The company has, since 2001, focused on delivering a wide range of options to satisfy the needs of organizations working with different types of networks around the world. Such concentration has allowed Digium to become the vendor of choice for hardware to support Asterisk-based applications.

Core to Digium's success is its global network of 25 distributors and more than 300 resellers. Ashley Furniture, the top-selling brand in home furniture in North America, purchased the 4 millionth port for their Switchvox SMB system from Digium reseller and online retailer [.e4 Technologies](#), which in turn received the board from Digium distributor [NETXUSA](#).

"We're a cost-conscious company and we want to purchase products getting the best possible value," said Brad Hermsen, network services manager at Ashley Furniture Industries. "At the same time, we can't compromise on quality and features in our phone systems, so we looked to .e4 Technologies when we selected the components of a phone system that really supports the way we do business."

Michael White, principal of Traverse City, Michigan-based .e4 Technologies, said: "Our unwavering focus on customer satisfaction is at the root of .e4's rapid growth, and we've found that Digium hardware and software help us deliver solutions that make our customers very happy. We're proud of our work for Ashley Furniture because it met their specific business needs. The breadth and quality of the Digium product line help us deliver this kind of top-quality yet cost-effective solution to customers every day."

NETXUSA offers Digium voice over IP (VoIP) products and services to independent resellers, who in turn service end users. Tom Boone, NETXUSA's CEO, commented: "Digium has been a strong partner since 2001 and we've seen demand for their products grow at an increasing rate as more companies look to open source and to Asterisk. Digium's support for our resellers and for us impacts our bottom line."

Get the Best Performance from Asterisk with Digium Cards

Digium delivers a range of hardware and software for use with Asterisk, including cards, Asterisk toolkits and turnkey systems that integrate voice and data using Switchvox software and Digium appliances. Digium's cards are protected by a five-year warranty, and all of Digium's commercial hardware and software is covered by its Exceptional Satisfaction Program (ESP). As a part of the ESP program, customers not satisfied with the performance of their Digium hardware can return it for a full refund.

"In addition to designing hardware for organizations using any variety of types of networks, Digium has focused on creating and delivering the open source telephony industry's most partner- and customer-friendly programs," said Danny Windham, CEO of Digium. "The quality of our products is equaled only by the quality of our programs, which together have allowed us to hit the 4 million port milestone."

Details on Digium's hardware and why it's the best selection for companies running Asterisk-based phone systems are in a new white paper available at www.digium.com.

About Digium

Digium®, Inc., the Asterisk® Company, created, owns and is the innovative force behind Asterisk, the most widely used open source telephony software. Since its founding in 1999, Digium has become the open source alternative to proprietary communication providers, with offerings that cost as much as 80 percent less. Digium makes Asterisk software available to the open source community and delivers Asterisk Business Edition and Switchvox IP PBX software to power a broad family of products for small, medium and large businesses. The company's product line includes a wide range of hardware to enable resellers and customers to implement turnkey solutions or to design their own voice over IP (VoIP) systems. More information is available at www.digium.com.

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