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Skype Certifies ClearOne Personal Speakerphone

CHAT 60 delivers a high-quality, hands-free audio experience for Skype users

SALT LAKE CITY, Aug. 10 /PRNewswire-FirstCall/ -- <u>ClearOne</u> (Nasdaq: CLRO), the leading provider of high performance audio conferencing solutions, today announced the CHAT 60, a new personal speakerphone specifically designed for use with Skype[™] software. The Skype Certified[™] CHAT 60 is the newest of ClearOne's award-winning personal conferencing speakerphones.

The CHAT 60 personal speakerphone easily connects to laptops or PCs via USB for natural, hands-free communication. The CHAT 60 delivers full-duplex audio for crystal-clear communication and is the perfect addition to an office or home office, providing convenient, high-quality audio for Skype users. The CHAT 60 is a very powerful audio device; yet, it is small enough to toss in with your laptop and take on the road.

"The CHAT 60 complements Skype usage and we are glad it is now available to our users, especially those SOHO and small and midsize businesses that use Skype in the workplace," said Manrique Brenes, Skype's director of business development and product management for consumer electronics. "Skype continues to grow in popularity and our users will be glad to learn that they can use the CHAT 60 for hands-free calls. The combination of Skype and the CHAT 60 will enable Skype users around the world to communicate more effectively."

"We are very pleased to announce that the CHAT 60 has received certification from Skype," said Tracy Bathurst, CTO at ClearOne. "Skype's certification process included rigorous testing of the CHAT 60 to ensure it performed to a set of exacting standards. Skype users now have a portable and personal hands-free collaboration tool that delivers a more natural, crystal clear audio experience, without being tethered to the computer via a headset."

The CHAT 60 contains HDConference[™], ClearOne's suite of high-performance audio technologies that includes such things as full duplex, echo cancellation, noise reduction and adaptive modeling. Taken separately, each technology is best-in-class and is a critical component for a remarkable audio experience. In combination, these elements make conferencing and collaboration more natural and productive. The CHAT 60 also delivers completely plug-and-play operation, requiring no software or drivers to be installed.

Now shipping, the CHAT 60 has a suggested retail price of \$149.99 and can be purchased from the Skype Shop (www.skype.com/shop).

About ClearOne

ClearOne is a communications solutions company that develops and sells audio conferencing systems and related products for audio, video and web conferencing applications. The reliability, flexibility and performance of ClearOne's comprehensive solutions create a natural communications environment that saves organizations time and money by enabling more effective and efficient communication. For additional information, access www.clearone.com.

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