

### HighPoint Launches the Industry's Most Versatile 4-Port Storage HBA

September 2013 – Milpitas, CA – HighPoint, an industry leading Storage HBA and solutions manufacturer, has launched the industry's most versatile 4-Port Storage HBA – the RocketU 1144E.

Featuring USB 3.0 and 6Gb/s eSATA connectivity, and uncompromised per-port performance architecture, the RocketU 1144E is designed for PC and Mac platforms, and is well suited for external eSATA and USB 3.0 storage, and Thunderbolt™ Expansion chassis solutions.

## Introducing the RocketU 1144E: Versatile Connectivity - 5Gb/s USB3.0 & 6Gb/s eSATA on Single HBA!

The RocketU 1144E maximizes the performance potential of USB 3.0 and 6Gb/s SATA storage devices. The dual 5Gb/s USB 3.0 ports support all industry standard USB 3.0 devices while the dual 6Gb/s eSATA ports are optimized for today's fastest SATA SSD's and high-capacity hard drives.

### **Dedicated per-port Performance Architecture**

Like all other 4-Port RocketU series HBA's, the RocketU 1144E benefits from HighPoint's innovative per-port performance architecture. Each device port is fully independent, and powered by a dedicated 5Gb/s USB 3.0 or 6Gb/s SATA controller. This revolutionary design ensures maximum performance for all USB 3.0 and 6Gb/s SATA storage devices, and allows them to take full advantage of the HBA's PCI-Express 2.0 x4 host interface.

## **Uncompromised Storage Expansion for PC & Mac Platforms**

The RocketU 1144E supports represents the industry's most versatile 4-port HBA, and is capable of supporting all industry standard USB and SATA storage devices. The uncompromised performance and dual-USB 3.0 /6Gb/s port configuration is an ideal match for HighPoint's RocketStor Storage docks.

The RocketU 1144E can be easily installed into any PCI-E 2.0 x4, x8 or x16 slot, and is fully compatible with PC and Mac computing platforms. Device drivers are readily available for Windows Server 2012, Windows 8, 7, Linux Distributions, & Mac OS X 10.8.3 and later

# **UAS Performance Boost: Maximizing the Performance Capability of USB 3.0 devices**

UAS (USB Attached SCSI) is a computer protocol that is used to transfer data to and from USB storage devices. UAS offers maximized bandwidth utilization, and can handle multiple data transfer requests simultaneously, unlike the slower queue system of BOT (Bulk Only Transport), which only provides single-task commands – each task must complete before the next begins.

USB 3.0 connections working in UASP mode result in higher transfer speeds and lower CPU utilization.

### Thunderbolt™ Aware Enabled

The RocketU 1144E is a Thunderbolt™ Aware HBA, and is designed for use with Thunderbolt™ PCI-Express expansion devices and storage enclosures.

## **Availability and Pricing**

The RocketU 1144E will become in late September-October from HighPoint's world-wide network of Distribution and Retail channels.

### Why Choose HighPoint?

For over 18 years, HighPoint storage products and industry-proven RAID Technology have been integrated into an extensive array of high-performance, mass storage solutions delivered by leading Solution Providers from across the globe. HighPoint manufactures an extensive range of USB 3.0, SAS, SATA and Thunderbolt™ storage connectivity devices for professional, SMB and consumer applications.

We provide a comprehensive selection of installation-ready device drivers, Storage Management Suites and API Packages for our entire range of RocketRAID host bus adapters and storage expansion modules. Our Integration-Ready software packages and growing range of Storage Software Solutions allow professional Solution Providers to design, custom-tailor, and deploy unique storage products that meet the need of any computing platform, customer type and application.

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