

Matrox Parhelia™ Supported by Accelerated-X™ Linux® Drivers

Matrox and Xi Graphics team up to provide high-performance OpenGL® drivers for Matrox Parhelia, Millennium P-Series, and QID graphics cards.

DENVER, December 21, 2004 ----- Xi Graphics and Matrox announced today the availability of a suite of Xi Graphics' Accelerated-X Summit Series Linux® graphics subsystem software for the Matrox Parhelia™, Millennium P-Series, and QID graphics cards. The new COTS graphics drivers offer stable, high-performance operation for 2D and OpenGL v1.4 (2D + 3D) graphics.

Drivers can be licensed directly from Xi Graphics for use with Matrox's standard Parhelia products. Demo packages for each Parhelia card can be freely downloaded from Xi Graphics' through its Web site – www.xig.com - for testing and can be licensed on-line.

The new software from Xi Graphics is a result of a Cooperation Agreement negotiated between the two companies earlier in 2004. The agreement provides Xi Graphics access to the Matrox confidential hardware information necessary for the design of graphics drivers that fully support the Parhelia graphics architecture with its variable rendering pipelines and the exceptionally powerful display features offered by the various cards in the Parhelia product line. In return, Matrox gains access to Xi Graphics' ten years of experience in the development of Linux/UNIX® graphics software for graphics systems

used by companies in applications such as medical devices, military systems, CAD systems, air traffic and ground transportation systems.

“Matrox has a reputation of solid products that are designed for demanding systems and that are available for long product runs” said Jon Trulson, Xi Graphics engineering manager. “Since the majority of Xi Graphics’ business is with firms building and fielding systems where graphics performance is critical and long term availability of both graphics hardware and stable software is important, we were delighted to have the opportunity to team up with Matrox to bring together the Matrox graphics cards and our premium Accelerated-X software for our customers.”

“By partnering with Xi Graphics, Matrox is able to leverage their 10 years of experience in developing for Unix/Linux,” says Alain Thiffault, manager, Applications Engineering, Matrox Graphics Inc. “Our combined products and experience have helped us deliver the high-quality, feature-rich, drivers Matrox customers have come to expect.”

About Matrox Graphics Inc.

Matrox Graphics Inc., the leading manufacturer of professional graphics solutions, has been delivering high quality, innovative 2D/3D and video graphics accelerators for more than a quarter century. Pioneer of the trend-setting DualHead® technology, Matrox is a graphics chip designer and card manufacturer whose products have been awarded over 1,000 times worldwide for their superior image quality, practical ingenuity and

unwavering stability. A privately held company headquartered in Montreal, Canada, Matrox has international offices in the United States, the United Kingdom, Ireland, France, Germany, Italy, and Hong Kong. For more information, see www.matrox.com/mga.

About Xi Graphics, Inc.

Xi Graphics has developed and licensed high-performance graphics drivers and graphics sub-systems software for use with Linux and UNIX systems for over ten years. Its customer base includes individuals, companies, military forces and government agencies from many countries. The company is privately held and is located in Denver, Colorado, USA. More information about the company and its products can be found at: www.xig.com.