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Ellisys Introduces New Bluetooth® Compliance Tester

Development Milestones Reached, Initial Shipments Planned

Geneva, Switzerland — April 7, 2016 — Ellisys, a leading provider of USB and Bluetooth[®] protocol analyzers, testers, and compliance suites announced today that its EBQ^{TM} Bluetooth radio compliance tester has passed several development milestones and will be shipping to early customers in 2H 2016. The EBQ is slated to be an industry standard compliance tester and is based on requirements provided by the Bluetooth Special Interest Group (SIG).

The EBQ was formally introduced to the Bluetooth SIG membership gathered for the recent UnPlugFest (UPF 53) in Atlanta, Georgia. Staff from the Bluetooth SIG introduced the EBQ system and outlined its capabilities and status of development milestones to the attending membership during the event's welcome session. Ellisys engineers were on hand to provide one-on-one live demonstrations of the system's capabilities to attendees throughout the week-long event. In addition, Ellisys staff included the EBQ system at its booth during the recent Bluetooth World at Levi's Stadium in Santa Clara, CA, March 15-16.

"Bluetooth World and the recent UPF were excellent venues for us to discuss and demonstrate the EBQ feature set to a variety of radio manufacturers and test labs," stated Mario Pasquali, Ellisys president and CEO. "The need for a modern replacement of the legacy compliance test system has been evident for some time now, and our approach in creating a modern architecture that is flexible, reprogrammable, and compact will resonate with Bluetooth developers who have anxiously been awaiting this product."

"Our vision is a world where everything is unthinkably connected, and providing the industry with a standardized platform to ensure compatibility and interoperability of the Bluetooth specification is an important part of realizing that vision," said Errett Kroeter, vice president of marketing, Bluetooth SIG. "With EBQ, Bluetooth chipset manufacturers will have a powerful tool to ensure their products deliver the highest quality Bluetooth implementation, increasing interoperability and improving the Bluetooth experience for customers globally," Kroeter added.

Paul Blackett, a Bluetooth Qualification Expert and Business Development Manager with UL, said "I was excited to review the EBQ with Ellisys during Bluetooth World. As a Bluetooth SIG recognized BQTF (Bluetooth Qualification Test Facility) we look forward to using this innovative system to ensure manufacturers' products meet the Bluetooth SIG test and qualification requirements. Having an up-to-date protocol tester is needed within the Bluetooth industry and UL expects this tool to fully meet the market needs."

Versatility

The EBQ is designed to provide comprehensive, automated coverage of protocol and RF qualification tests across the lower layers of the Bluetooth radio stack. The compact design includes a flexible test port that supports UART, USB,



and SDIO interfaces. A custom-designed digital radio provides current-generation Bluetooth packet transmission and reception capabilities, and multiple onboard processors are included to provide stack management, test case control, and programming interfaces. The EBQ is smartly designed for extensibility, in that as Bluetooth specifications evolve, the EBQ can be reprogrammed to keep pace, thus delivering a future-proof solution. The control software is designed for development workflows as well as qualification, including detailed logging and sniffer automation.

About Bluetooth Qualification and Testing

The Bluetooth SIG operates a robust program for qualifying and testing Bluetooth products of every type. Detailed test requirements are provided by the Bluetooth SIG (www.bluetooth.com) as well as a variety of informational resources, a test plan generator, and test tools aimed at helping developers work through the process of qualification.

Availability, Product Photos, and Information

Initial availability of the EBQ will be 2H 2016. For more information contact Ellisys at sales@ellisys.com. A high-resolution photo can be downloaded from: www.ellisys.com/archive/images/ebq.jpg

About Ellisys

Ellisys is a Test & Measurement company committed to the design and timely introduction of advanced protocol analysis solutions for USB and Bluetooth technologies. More information is available on www.ellisys.com.

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