



HighPoint Launches the Industry's First 4-Port 20Gb/s USB 3.0 SuperSpeed HBA – RocketU 1144A

July 2011, Milpitas, CA - HighPoint Technologies, Inc., an industry leading HBA and storage solutions manufacturer, unveils the Industry's first 4-Port PCI-E Gen 2 x4, 20Gb/s USB 3.0 SuperSpeed HBA, the RocketU 1144A. Designed for high-performance Desktop PC's, each of the RocketU 1144A's four dedicated USB 3.0 ports provides 5Gb/s of throughput, and are optimized for today's fastest USB 3.0 external storage devices.

HighPoint RocketUSB 3.0 HBA's break performance bottleneck of conventional USB HBA's

USB 3.0 HBA's that already exist in today's marketplace impose a performance bottleneck on multi-drive configurations, limiting transfer rates to 5Gb/s. Such controllers limit the potential of today's high-speed SSD's and external RAID enclosures.

HighPoint has capitalized on recent advances in USB 3.0 connectivity, and has made 5Gb/s per-port performance a reality. No longer limited to the convenience of plug-and-play, USB 3.0 has emerged as a truly viable option for today's high-speed SSD and hard drives.

HighPoint's RocketU 1144A employs the latest USB 3.0 technology to deliver an unbeatable 20Gb/s transfer bandwidth for under US \$100. This optimal balance of cost and performance makes it an ideal external storage solution for high-performance PC's.

High Speed External Storage for Desktop PC's

The RocketU 1144A is the industry's first and only PCI-E x4 USB 3.0 SuperSpeed HBA, and delivers class-leading transfer bandwidth up to 20Gb/s; perfect for high-speed external USB 3.0 SSD's and hard drives.

The RocketU 1144A is the ideal upgrade for any Windows or Linux PC's, and is well suited for portable storage devices, external backup solutions, and high-speed SSD's for the ultimate gaming multi-media experience.

The RocketU 1144A can be installed into any free PCI-Express Gen 2.0/Gen 1.0 x4, x8 or x16 slot, is fully backwards compatible with USB specifications 2.0 and 1.1, and is xHCI compliant.

Availability and Pricing

The HighPoint RocketU 1144A is available immediately, from a world-wide network of Distribution and Reseller channels.

MSRP:

RocketU 1144A: \$89.00

Distribution Channels: ASI, D&H Distribution, MaLabs, Avnet

About HighPoint

HighPoint designs and manufactures a full spectrum of SAS and SATA HBA's with Management Solutions for wide scale Storage Applications. We are long recognized as an innovator of RAID HBA technology and have continuously developed cutting edge RAID solutions to satisfy the industry's evolving storage requirements. HighPoint is the SAS and SATA Storage Industry price leader for all OEM/ODM, SMB and Enterprise HBA's. HighPoint has a successful

track record of delivering products to fortune 500 companies and global storage providers. HighPoint has regional sales offices and world-wide distribution networks to better serve customers locally.