SONY SPEEDS UP SxS MEMORY CARD FOR XDCAM SERIES

Increased transfer speed for faster ingest and higher capacity for extended record capabilities



IBC, Amsterdam, 10th September 2010 – Sony Corporation has expanded its SxS-1 memory card assortment with a new generation of media offering 50% faster transfer speed*1 and twice the capacity of previous models. These upgrades support Sony's continued commitment to meet the critical requirements from professionals, enhancing XDCAM EX opportunities and boosting the record time of XDCAM as the new PMW-500 will be a memory-based, shoulder-mounted camcorder.

The new generation SBS64G1A and SBS32G1A SxS-1 memory cards can transfer data at up to an astonishing 1.2Gbps via the ExpressCard slot, without the need for special adapters. That's 50% faster than the previous generation of SxS-1 memory cards. This new feature supports the transfer speed requirements of the new PMW-500 camcorder, contributing a significant improvement to the XDCAM workflow with ultra-fast ingest times. Now professional users will be able to transfer 120 minutes of HD422 content directly to a laptop in just 8 minutes*1. (in the case of 64GB model)

With the new capacity of 64GB, professional users can capture 120 minutes of recording in HD 422 50Mbps MXF mode, which is widely used in the broadcasting area. Users can also shoot more than four hours of footage in DVCAM mode or three hours in HQ mode with XDCAM EX. –

The new SxS-1 memory cards feature the same high reliability and durability that users have become accustomed to, along with offering life time indication function when used with XDCAM or XDCAM EX equipment, and a wide-range of operation/storage temperatures allowing users to shoot in severe conditions.

The new generation of SxS-1 memory card is compatible with XDCAM EX equipment updated with the latest camcorder firmware. It will also be compatible with the new PMW-500 camcorder and PDW-HR1 field station with PDBK-MK1 SxS Memory Card adaptor..

Both the SBS64G1A and SBS32G1A memory cards will be available in October 2010.

*1:Read speed. Speed/time varies, depending on measurement condition.

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