## Audavi's SolidTape<sup>®</sup> cartridge selected as the rugged data storage and transport solution for U.S. Navy helicopter application.

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San Jose, CA, March 31, 2008 – Audavi Corporation today announced that the Navy has selected its SolidTape Cartridge for use in the digital map recording system on the MH-60S CSAR platform. The SolidTape cartridge and accompanying custom IDE bay provide a form, fit, and function replacement for the internal hard drive that was originally part of the recorder. The CSAR kit includes a digital map, AN/AAS-44 FLIR, the electronic warfare self-defense suite fitted on the MH-60R, an additional pylon to carry Hellfire air-to-surface missiles and mk54 digital torpedo, and crew-served weapons, including 7.62mm guns from port and starboard cabin windows and 0.50-caliber guns from port and starboard cabin doors. Development testing was completed in February 2007 to be followed by operational evaluation and service entry.

The SolidTape cartridge utilizes state-of-the-art small form factor solid state disk drive technology to provide a high capacity, high performance storage device in a ruggedized package that can survive the rigors of fleet transportation and distribution systems. Audavi's custom 44-pin IDE bay provides a plug compatible interface to the existing DVR recording board, so that no additional hardware or software changes are required. This is a significant advantage when the systems to be upgraded are deployed with the fleet around the world.

"Removable media is an integral part of many military and government systems, for both data transport and security reasons" says Mike Bergkamp, CEO of Audavi. "In many of these applications neither tape nor hard drive solutions meet the more stringent environmental requirements. Our SolidTape cartridge allows for a plug compatible form, fit, function solution capable of meeting a wide range of vibration, temperature, and altitude requirements. The common form factor with our HardTape and MediaPac cartridges allows for easy connection to virtually any (IDE, USB, SCSI, SATA) interface."

## **About Audavi**

Audavi designs, manufactures and sells a range of rugged portable storage solutions that enable military, government, and professional users to securely record, store, and transport digital video and data. HardTape® is quickly setting the standard for capacity and performance for removable media in these demanding market segments. Headquartered in the Silicon Valley, with partners in Europe, Australia, and Asia, Audavi sells and supports its products worldwide. For more information, go to <a href="http://www.audavi.com">http://www.audavi.com</a>.

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