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Harman Becker to discontinue PND business, license Becker brand to Falk for PNDs

Karlsbad, Germany – January 11, 2010 – Harman Becker Automotive Systems GmbH announced today that it will discontinue its portable navigation device (PND) business, effective January 11, 2010. Falk Navigation GmbH, operating under the new name UNITED NAVIGATION GmbH will continue to manufacture and market PND devices under the Becker brand name on a licensed basis. Harman International will continue to use the Becker brand in its automotive OEM-related business.

By discontinuing this area of business, the Harman International Automotive Division is further sharpening its focus on mid to high-end in-dash navigation, infotainment and audio systems for the automotive industry. The eventual reduction of about 50 jobs in Europe related to this move will be managed in a socially responsible way.

The Harman International Automotive Division is a global leader in the development and production of pioneering, state-of-the-art systems for audio, entertainment, information and communication technology for the automobile industry. Harman International Industries Incorporated (www.harman.com) develops, produces, markets and distributes a wide range of high-end audio and infotainment systems for the automotive, consumer and professional sector. Harman International is well-established in North and South America, Europe and Asia and employs around 9,500 people worldwide. The Harman International family includes well-known brands such as AKG[®], Audioaccess[®], Becker[®], BSS[®], Crown[®], dbx[®], DigiTech[®], DOD[®], Harman Kardon[®], Infinity[®], JBL[®], Lexicon[®], Mark Levinson[®], Revel[®], QNX[®], Soundcraft[®] and Studer[®]. The company's shares are traded on the New York Stock Exchange under the code "HAR".

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