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### **SUMMARY**

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### **IMAGES**

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The impressive speed of the HDPro2 makes it an incredible addition to any edit suite, but it also adds support for 8 SATA-II 3Gbs or super fast 10000~15000RPM SAS drive modules. It features a next generation Intel XScale processor to accelerate the RAID engine. The HDPro2 also has a new environmental monitor and control system which communicates with RAID Shield, CalDigit's easy to use RAID management and monitoring software.

The HDPro2 provides hardware RAID 0, 1, 5, 6 and JBOD support, using the next generation RAID engine accompanied by high speed, upgradeable ECC cache. The HDPro2 features Active Sustained Transfer Technology (ASTT) which ensures that there is always a constant throughput. Ideal for massive files like uncompressed HD, 2K or even 4K workflows. The HDPro2 can capture and play them back without dropping frames. ASTT was designed by CalDigit and cannot be found anywhere else.

The modular design of the HDPro2 allows for 8 hot swappable drive modules in various capacities. It features an optional hot swappable load bearing power supply, 2 hot swappable ambient temperature controlled, and low noise smart fans. Even the built-in controller is removable/upgradeable. The HDPro2 is made of strong lightweight aluminum and an optional rack mount kit can be purchased.

The HDPro2 is a complete single vendor storage solution. The HDPro2 is ready to use right out of the box, pre-formatted in RAID 5 to save time and money. CalDigit builds all major components of the HDPro2 and uses only high quality certified hard drives to provide users with the best possible experience. This also eliminates additional technical support inquiries that can arise with other multivendor products.

The key to the blazing fast speed of the HDPro2 is the direct connect external PCle connection. The HDPro2 comes with a PCle bridge card, which takes the PCle bus directly to the HDPro2's built-in controller. There is no delay or conversion making extremely fast, the bus is up to 20Gbs, which is 5

times faster than traditional fibre solutions. The other advantage of this technology is that the HDPro2 can be used on laptops with ExpressCard/34 slots.

The HDPro2 comes standard with a one year warranty. The CalDigit Extended Warranty can be purchased to extend the warranty to three years, and provides additional support benefits.

#### **Price and Availability**

The HDPro2 is available now through CalDigit Certified Dealers worldwide or on the CalDigit online store. The 8TB HDPro2 starts at only \$5,999.00 and is currently available up to 16TB. Visit <a href="www.caldigit.com">www.caldigit.com</a> for more information about the HDPro2 and all of CalDigit's other products.

### About CalDigit (www.caldigit.com)

CalDigit has been dedicated to the content creation industry for years. Every product is exclusively designed with the user's requirement in mind. CalDigit has a team of world-class software and hardware engineers. Closely bonded, the CalDigit team works to develop the best RAID software and hardware in the industry. CalDigit is the one source for Video Editors, Photographers, and Musicians. CalDigit offers users a secure, practical, and a sleek modular design, which provides users with advanced replacement and true single vendor support. CalDigit is your complete RAID solution choice, at an affordable price. Corporate headquarters are located in Northern Orange County, California, where all products are tested and assembled.

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