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Introducing earBridge™ Cellular SMS/Text to Speech Amplifier for Audio Security Alerts and Voice Mass Notification

Convert SMS cellular text messages directly to voice to support Campus Notification Systems, Alert Feeds and Security paging announcements.

ISCWest, Las Vegas USA – April 05th 2016 – TextSpeak today introduced TTS-EM-CE, the industry's first cellular enabled text to speech amplifier. This new addition to the earBridge™ family transfers SMS emergency cellular text messages directly to voice announcements on speakers and paging systems. Simply send an SMS message to the pre-assigned telephone number and the earBridge amplifier speaks the text.

Schools, commercial facilities, administrators, dispatchers and first responders can gain instant communication to their audience in seconds, from anywhere. As a first deployment, earBridge offers a simple, powerful, ready-to-go Mass Notification solution. As an enhancement to large existing systems, earBridge can be added as a new "cell phone" to a distribution list, and announce audio over any existing paging system. Benefits include deployment simplicity, effectiveness and access for institutions who are challenged to find affordable mass notification solutions.

The TTS-EM-CE also supports the standard features of the earBridge™ amplifier series:

- Advanced, human sounding Text-To-Speech in 25 languages.
- Simple installation & operation. Announcements generated in seconds.
- High definition 25 watt audio paging amplifier with line out.
- Capability to mix live Text to Speech and pre-recorded Wave files



For the first time, wide-area mass notifications can reach beyond registered mobile phones with a single earBridge SMS to voice solution added to a paging system. The amplifier can also resend texted data to another network and display the announcement on an overhead LED message sign. User definable security levels ensure that only messages from authorized personnel, automated systems and/or emergency responders may generate announcements.

To enhance the user experience, TextSpeak offers factory setup with service by Verizon Wireless™. When optionally purchased, the TTS-EM-CE ships with a US phone number pre-assigned on a monthly plan starting at \$4.99/mo.

“The TTS-EM-CE is a great new member in our earBridge™ family of solutions already supporting Ethernet, Serial, Wi-Fi and Mobile applications” said TextSpeak President Nancy Wolfe. “We always focus on cost-effective solutions where text and voice need to converge, redefining the use-case for text to speech. For security applications, cellular is essential in the delivery of mass notification alerts. With the TTS-EM-CE we now can bridge the gap to create wide area announcements from a cell phone message, simply, and within most budgets.”

Our new technology is applicable in any area requiring emergency announcements, including campuses, health care institutions, government buildings, private facilities, and mass transit hubs.

ABOUT TEXTSPEAK:

TextSpeak is the world’s leading provider of multi-language embedded Text to Speech products. Based in Westport Connecticut, TextSpeak designs and produces human sounding embedded text to speech (TTS) ADA compliant voice solutions for transportation systems, banking, industrial, security, educational campuses, healthcare facilities and mass emergency notification systems. Founded in 1992 TextSpeak solutions are currently deployed in thousands of locations worldwide including the Paris and New York City Transit Systems, Ford Motor Proving Grounds and the NSA Lawrence Livermore Labs. TextSpeak also manufactures low cost Talking Keyboards to aid members in the disability community.

Images relating to this release and the new features can be found on this web page.

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