

Hagiwara Sys-Com introduces an evaluation kit for the new, CFast™, small form factor SATA SSD aimed for the embedded computing market

Irvine, California – March 27 - Hagiwara Sys-Com Co., Ltd., the industry leader in semiconductor application products for industrial/embedded computing -- today announced the introduction of the evaluation kit for CFast™ - the evolution of the CompactFlash® interface utilizing SATA interface.

The “default” storage interface of common Single Board Computers (SBC) is migrating from the Parallel ATA (PATA) interface to the SerialATA (SATA) interface. With this transition comes a change to storage solution options. The CompactFlash interface utilizes PATA and will find it harder to find a home in newer SBC systems.

The CFast is the next generation of CompactFlash with a SATA interface and achieves significant performance improvements in comparison to traditional PATA based CompactFlash devices.

For a nominal price, the kit will include a Hagiwara CFast™ card (model: HFD10S) and a CFast™ to SATA adapter that converts the CFast 7 + 17 pin connector to a standard SATA interface. This enables designers to cost effectively prototype and evaluate their system with a CFast™ card slot.

“We introduced this concept to the CFA in 2007 because we realized the PATA to SATA trend was imminent,” states Tetsuo Tanigawa, R&D, Hagiwara Sys-Com Japan. “Thanks to former CFA executive director Bill Frank, the CFA and the involved vendors, we have solidified CFast™ specification version 1.0. We are now pleased to offer the CFast development kit to the embedded market in an effort to assist in the transition from CompactFlash to CFast.”

For more information regarding the CFast™ Development Kit and HFD10S specifications, visit us at ESC SV2009 at booth #1928 or visit <http://hsc-us.com/>

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