

WD PASSPORT™ USB DRIVES ARE IN SYNC

Easy-to-Use WD Sync™ Synchronization and Encryption Software Lets You Securely Take Your Data With You; Edit Files, Read E-mail, View Photos on Any PC, Then Sync Your Changes to Your Home or Office Computer

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LAKE FOREST, Calif. - May 30, 2006 - Western Digital Corp. (NYSE: WDC) today announced that its WD Passport™ Portable and WD Passport Pocket USB Drives are now shipping with software that simplifies the synchronization of essential personal files and Microsoft Outlook® data on a PC with the portable storage devices. The new WD Sync™ software enables users to securely access, edit and share Microsoft Word® documents and Excel® spreadsheets, MP3 files, e-mails, attachments and more from anywhere - in a cybercafé, on a friend's laptop or in a colleague's office.

WD Sync synchronization and encryption software secures owners' data with 128-bit encryption plus password protection ensuring that personal files and Outlook data remain on the WD Passport Portable Drive or WD Passport Pocket Drive and are not copied to any computers that owners use other than their primary ones. Owners of WD Passport Portable and WD Passport Pocket models sold previously without the WD Sync software now can download the software for free from WD's Web site: www.wdc.com/passportsoftware.

WD Passport Portable and WD Passport Pocket USB Drives are powered by the USB bus with no need for a separate power supply (for most systems). Combined with the easy-to-set-up, customizable WD Sync software, the two devices are easy to use anywhere - simply plug in and store.

WD Passport Portable USB Drives feature sleek rounded corners and a black textured, non-slip rugged protective case. The drives are outfitted with high-performance, low power-consuming, cool and quiet-running WD Scorpio™ 2.5 inch EIDE hard drives, as well as Data Lifeguard™ protection, to provide maximum safeguard from data loss. Safety tests make WD Passport Portable USB Drives one of the few external drives certified to meet all applicable safety requirements.

WD Passport Portable USB Drives are offered in capacities of 60, 80 and 120 GB. Also available is an optional WD Passport carrying case for conveniently and stylishly transporting the portable hard drives. A product specification sheet and photos of WD Passport Portable USB Drives are available on the company's Web site at <http://www.westerndigital.com/en/products/Products.asp?DriveID=199>.

The USB 2.0 WD Passport Pocket Drives, about the size of a matchbox, conveniently store 6 GB of digital content and can fit into the smallest of pockets and purses. Measuring 0.37 x 2.41 x 1.80 inches and housing a one-inch WD hard drive, the ultra-thin WD Passport Pocket Drives feature a unique flip-out, rotating USB 2.0 connector that allows use in tight spaces and is thin enough that two drives can be used at the same time in the tightly spaced USB ports found on notebook computers. A product specification sheet and photos of WD Passport Pocket Drives are available on the company's Web site at <http://www.westerndigital.com/en/products/Products.asp?DriveID=226>.

"The addition of sync and encryption software to WD Passport Portable and WD Passport Pocket USB drives further secures and protects users' data," said Jim Welsh, vice president and general manager of WD's branded products group. "WD designs simplified external storage that implements the latest technological advancements providing users convenience and confidence in safe-keeping and sharing their digital content, giving them complete control of their data."

Pricing and Availability

WD Passport Portable USB Drives, WD Passport carrying cases and WD Passport Pocket Drives are available at retail stores, online retailers and also may be purchased via the company's online store (www.westerndigital.com). Estimated pricing is \$199 USD for the WD Passport Portable USB Drive 120 GB capacity with WD Sync; \$24.99 USD for the WD Passport carrying case; and \$99 USD for the WD Passport Pocket Drive.

About WD

WD, one of the storage industry's pioneers and long-time leaders, provides products and services for people and organizations that collect, manage and use digital information. The company's core business produces reliable, high-performance hard drives that keep users' data close-at-hand and secure from loss.

WD was founded in 1970. The company's storage products are marketed to leading systems manufacturers and selected resellers under the Western Digital and WD brand names. Visit the Investor section of the company's Web site (www.westerndigital.com) to access a variety of financial and investor information.

This press release contains forward-looking statements, including statements relating to pricing and availability of the WD Passport Portable and WD Passport Pocket drives. These forward-looking statements are based on current management expectations, and actual results may differ materially as a result of several factors, including: changes in the availability and cost of specialized product components; supply and demand conditions in the hard drive industry and business conditions generally; and other risks and uncertainties listed in WD's recent SEC filings, including its form 10-Q for the third fiscal quarter of fiscal 2006. WD undertakes no obligation to update these forward-looking statements to reflect new information or events or for any other reason.

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