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## **Plantronics Transforms Home Office Communications**

*New Calisto Pro Home Phone with Multi-function Bluetooth Headset Simplifies Landline, VoIP and Mobile Phone Conversations*

**SANTA CRUZ, Calif. – August 23, 2007** – Plantronics, Inc. (NYSE: PLT) today introduced Calisto™ Pro Series, a revolutionary home phone with a multi-function Bluetooth® headset that greatly simplifies and enhances voice communications for home professionals. Leveraging more than 40 years of communications and ergonomic expertise, Calisto Pro's intuitive design and hands-free capabilities introduce an entirely new way to manage landline, mobile and VoIP conversations.

"As traditional and new voice technologies converge in the home office, home professionals can benefit from 'bridge' solutions that centralize and simplify communications," said Merle Sandler, senior analyst, SMB and Home Office Programs, IDC. "The vast majority of households have landline and cell phones and VoIP adoption is growing, so a phone that can easily orchestrate all three will resonate with the growing home professional segment."

IDC estimates that there are currently approximately 37 million home office households in the US.

### **Stay Connected Hands-Free, Anywhere**

The Plantronics Calisto Pro features a compact landline handset and multi-function Bluetooth headset nested in a clean, elegant charging base. The headset enables home professionals to switch between landline, mobile phone and VoIP calls at the touch of a button. No longer burdened with the cumbersome task of cradling a phone between the neck and shoulder, users can talk hands-free and accomplish simultaneous tasks that fill the work day, from reaching for an important file to signing for a package at the front door while on a long conference call.

The handset is built on digitally encrypted, voice-dedicated DECT™ 6.0 technology to provide exceptional audio clarity and performance that is free from interference with other home devices, such as WiFi and microwaves. It provides up to 300 feet of roaming range, a built-in speakerphone and flip-up waist clip for on-the-go dialing and Caller ID viewing.

The headset combines a robust noise-canceling microphone and an extended boom to greatly reduce background noise. The headset can be connected to both the handset and a mobile phone to easily answer both landline and mobile calls. Home professionals can also use the Calisto Pro headset with their Bluetooth mobile phone

while on the road, and it will automatically reconnect with the home phone upon their return.

### **Internet Calls Made Easy**

Perfect for home professionals who use Internet calling to save on phone bills, Calisto Pro includes a USB port for PC connection. Skype® and Yahoo!® Voice calls are transferred to the Calisto Pro headset at the touch of a button, allowing home professionals to remotely answer and end conversations from up to 300 feet away from the base station. The headset's long boom is designed to enhance VoIP call quality by significantly reducing the risk of echo.

Calisto Pro also enables professionals to easily transfer 200 Microsoft Outlook® contacts, with up to three numbers each, into the handset, ensuring that important business associates are easily accessible.

"Home professionals are trying to gain control of the constant juggling of telephony devices and of business and personal responsibilities at home," said Joyce Shimizu, vice president and general manager, Home and Home Office at Plantronics. "With Calisto Pro, users are better able to simplify their lives through intuitive, natural communications and hands-free mobility — and do so with the quality and performance that professionals expect from Plantronics."

### **Pricing and Availability**

Plantronics Calisto Pro has a MSRP of US \$279.95 and will be available online at Office Depot, Office Max, Staples and The Sharper Image in September. It will also be available at The Sharper Image stores nationwide in September and in select US Office Depot, Office Max and Staples stores starting in October.

To learn more about Calisto Pro and view a video demo, please visit [www.plantronics.com/calistopro](http://www.plantronics.com/calistopro).

### **About Plantronics**

In 1969, a Plantronics headset carried the historic first words from the moon: "That's one small step for man, one giant leap for mankind." Since then, Plantronics has become the headset of choice for mission-critical applications such as air traffic control, 911 dispatch, and the New York Stock Exchange. Today, this history of Sound Innovation™ is the basis for every product we build for the office, contact center, personal mobile, entertainment and residential markets. The Plantronics family of brands includes Plantronics, Altec Lansing, Clarity, and Volume Logic. For more information, go to [www.plantronics.com](http://www.plantronics.com) or call (800) 544-4660.

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