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**Better Headphones for Business Travelers:  
New 'Clear Harmony' Delivers Clearer Sound without Background Noise**

*Winner of CES Innovations Award for High Performance Audio*

DENVER, CO (January 8, 2007) — Business travel just got easier on the ears with Clear Harmony™ Active Noise Canceling Headphones, a premium headphone from Able Planet Inc. that produces fuller and richer sound from an iPod, audio book or portable DVD player while simultaneously shutting out extraneous noises such as airplane engines. These new headphones also enable users to listen at lower volumes to preserve hearing, provide crisp sound for those with normal hearing to moderate loss, and have the unusual ability to be worn with hearing aids due to a new technology that restricts electromagnetic interference.

The secret behind the sound is a proprietary Able Planet technology called Linx Audio™ that was originally developed for a new generation of top-of-the-line hearing aids. The technology alters the audio signal to increase the intensity of higher frequency harmonics. This makes it easier to hear words or notes in the higher frequencies where clarity is often lost, ensures that speech and other high-frequency sounds are not smothered by bass tracks, and increases the perception of loudness without forcing users to crank up the volume to potentially damaging levels.

Clear Harmony headphones also reduce distortion at higher volumes by soft-clipping the sound wave rather than squaring it off, deliver a frequency range of 20 to 20,000 Hz for a full-bodied listening experience, and provide an industry-leading 18 decibels of active noise cancellation to reduce unwanted background noise ranging from jet engines to overhead lights.

Taken together, these features produce an audible difference in the quality and clarity of both music and speech, based on independent side-by-side comparisons in which listeners selected the Clear Harmony headset over leading noise-canceling units.

The Clear Harmony headphones also offer an in-line volume control for easy volume adjustment, full-size ear cups with soft cushions that swivel for maximum comfort, a lightweight adjustable headband for hours of easy wear, and the ability to operate even if the two AAA batteries required for noise cancellation run out of power.

The headphones can be used at home as well as on the road with TVs, computers, portable DVD players, CD or MP3 players, audio books, and assistive listening devices. They fold flat for easy storage in a hard-shell protective carrying case that is included in the package to ensure safe handling.

**Pricing and Availability**

Clear Harmony Active Noise Canceling Headphones sell for \$299.99 (MSRP) at [www.ableplanet.com](http://www.ableplanet.com) and through leading retailers, catalogs and Internet stores. Each package includes the Clear Harmony headset, a 5' cord, two adapters for different audio devices, and carrying case.

**About Able Planet Inc.**

Able Planet designs and manufactures innovative audio and communication devices for individuals with all levels of hearing. The company's products range from headphones and telephones to assistive listening devices featuring Able Planet's patent-pending Linx Audio technology, and have won numerous honors including 10 International Consumer Electronics Show awards. They are marketed through Able Planet, resellers, audiology networks, nonprofit foundations and strategic partners. The privately held company is headquartered in Denver. For more information, visit [www.ableplanet.com](http://www.ableplanet.com).