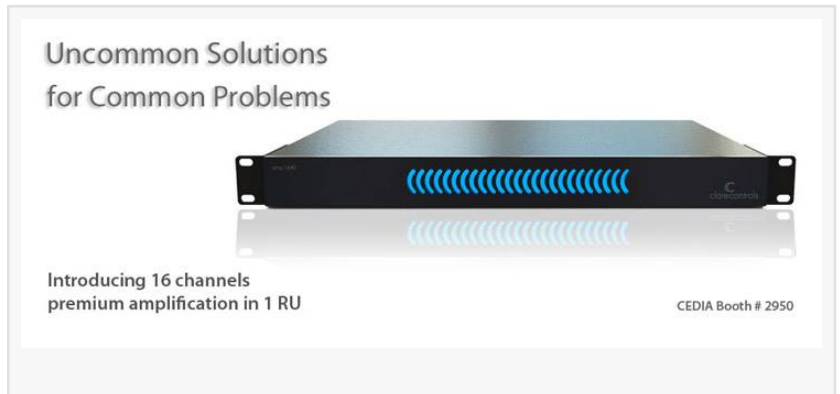


# Class D Amplifiers Kick Off New Channel Program

*Compact next-gen amps are first components to be made available to integrators of ClareHome and other automation solutions*

SARASOTA, FL, USA, August 22, 2013 /EINPresswire.com/ -- Clare Controls, provider of easily configured, deployed and maintained home automation systems, announced today the release

of a pair of Class D amplifiers, the first members in a growing family of components designed specifically to close the most glaring deficits in progressive integrators' toolkits.



The Clare [amp.1640](#) packs 16-channels (8 zones) of exceptional Class D amplification into a cool-running, 1 U rack-mounted chassis. Using technologies designed by IcePower, a wholly owned subsidiary of Bang & Olufsen, the amp.1640 uses an advanced switched-mode power supply to drive 16 channels, delivering 40 watts into 8Ω. The amp.1640 is stable to 4Ω. Compact and efficient, Clare's amp.1640 addresses common installation headaches with run-cool design in a compact form factor. The amp.1640 will retail for \$1,500.

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The second unit, Clare's [amp.7150](#), is a premium seven-

channel amplifier based on IcePower Class D amplification technology. Designed to meet today's demand for “large sound from small boxes,” the amp.7150 delivers 150W into 8Ω, with audiophile audio quality, and is stable to 4 Ω. Intended to be used in pairs, the amp.7150 will let integrators deliver 14 channels of amplification at 150 watts per channel in two rack spaces. Each amp.7150 will retail for \$999.

The amplifiers' release kicks off Clare's new Select Channel Program, in which an evolving line of problem-solving components will be offered to custom integrators including – but not limited to – Clare's own family of authorized dealers. Dealers of other automation products interested in participating in the Select Program will be required to establish professional qualifications, but

will not need to undergo the technical training required to become an authorized Clare dealer, and no quotas or minimum purchase quantities will be imposed. Select Program dealers will not have access to ClareHome automation solutions or their proprietary components.

Both of the amps were developed in conjunction with Bill Paul, an AV designer with more than two decades of experience and a reputation for turning good ideas into extraordinary products.

“Our intent,” explained Clare Controls President Brett Price, “is to make these very tactical over-the-counter products available to everyone who needs them. Which, based on our first-hand experience, includes every integrator who has ever looked at a customer spec and wished for a component that outperforms the rest of its type, or one that fits a certain form factor. Or even one that just performs a common function without violating the customer’s budget...or evaporating the dealers margin.”

Clare Controls is slated to unveil several of the products to be made available within the Select Program at CEDIA Expo in September, with first deliveries scheduled for Q4, 2013. Interested integrators must register with a Clare Regional Rep for authorization to participate in the Select Program. Contact [sales@clarecontrols](mailto:sales@clarecontrols) for more information.

#### About Clare Controls

Clare Controls is a provider of intelligent home automation technologies. The current product line includes ClareOS solutions that streamline the integration, maintenance and monitoring of sophisticated home automation systems, as well as several families of specialized point-solution components for forward-thinking integrators, regardless of automation affiliation. ClareOS products are deployed locally in customer sites and administered remotely via cloud-based technologies that maximize dealer efficiency while providing unprecedented customer control. For more information, visit [clarecontrols.com](http://clarecontrols.com).

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