Monroe Electronics Provides New Software Update Enhancing Security and Functionality

As part of its continued commitment to product support, Monroe Electronics released a version 2.0-2 software update for the DASDEC™ and One-Net™ alert messaging systems. This significant update was released to customers on April 24, 2013 to resolve potential security vulnerabilities and improve several operational features in its popular Emergency Alert System (EAS) / Common Alert Protocol (CAP) products.

This release is part of the Company's continued focus and dedication to provide their customers with the highest level of functionality, reliability and security in the industry. Upgrades and enhancements in version 2.0-2 for DASDEC and One-Net units include:

- Removal of default SSH keys and a simplified user option to load new SSH keys
- Changes to password handling, and other security enhancements
- Improved polling of the IPAWS CAP system
- Enhanced functionality in several CAP and EAS advanced features

The company notes that most of its users already have obtained this update. Monroe Electronics encourages all DASDEC and R189 One-Net users implement the software update and – as a standard best practice - maintain secure network connections for their EAS/CAP systems.

Customers are informed of any updates by initially registering their devices at the appropriate website.

- DASDEC systems may be registered at <u>www.digitalalertsystems.com/registration_updates.html</u>
 - Registered DASDEC users can obtain the DASDEC v2.0-2 software update and comprehensive release notes by contacting support@digitalalertsystems.com
- One-Net systems may be registered at <u>www.monroe-electronics.com/EAS_pages/form_r189se_reg.html</u>
 - Registered One-Net users can obtain the R189 One-Net v2.0-2 software update and comprehensive release notes by contacting customer service at eas@monroe-electronics.com

Regardless of EAS system brand they use, all broadcast and cable companies are encouraged to download and read Monroe's white paper on best practice security measures.

- For broadcasters: Introducing a Defense-In-Depth Security Strategy For Broadcasters
- For cable and IPTV companies:
 Introducing a Defense-In-Depth Security Strategy For Cable and IPTV Operators