

# Avocent Expands its Line of LCD Console Trays for the Data Centre: New 19-Inch LCD Console Tray Increases Productivity in the Data Centre with New USB Pass-through Feature

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HUNTSVILLE, Ala., June 2, 2009 – Avocent Corporation (NASDAQ: AVCT), a global leader in IT operations management, today announced the availability of a new 19” LCD console tray for data centres that enables IT administrators to conduct diagnostics quickly and effectively at the rack level. In the past, data centre administrators had to rely on rolling crash carts or mobile computing units to troubleshoot server or equipment issues - a local access issue effectively resolved with the use of a rack mounted LCD console tray. The latest LCD tray offering from Avocent also offers a new USB pass-through feature, which provides access to the server from the tray’s USB port, conveniently connecting USB devices to provision or upgrade servers.

“The expansion of our LCD console tray product line represents continued innovation for Avocent, marking the full transition of assets from Avocent’s acquisition of Ergo2000 in 2008,” said Avocent Director of Product Marketing Carla White. “Our mission remains the same: to provide IT operations professionals with a full range of innovative solutions that streamlines and simplifies operations, to provide greater opportunity for cost savings from the desktop to the data centre.”

The 19” LCD console tray builds on the strength of Avocent’s existing feature-rich LCD tray product offerings. All models mount in 1U of rack space and are capable of connecting to Avocent KVM appliances within that same space. Other models feature a fully integrated KVM appliance out of the box. Unlike the 19” console tray, the 17” model featured a screen closure switch, which automatically powered down to the LCD when the unit is closed. This means that even if a user stows it in the rack without powering off the LCD console tray, the unit will power itself down.

“The LCD console trays reinforce Avocent’s ongoing commitment to innovation in power conservation and greening of the data centre, as well as improving our customer’s bottom line with greater cost savings,” said Avocent CTO and Executive Vice President Corporate Strategy Ben Grimes. “With the advent of our screen closure switch, customers can now reduce their power usage and prevent unintended heat generation in their data centre racks.”

Avocent LCD console trays increase productivity and efficiency by providing enhanced rack access for managing physical or virtual servers. Installing the consoles in tandem with Avocent.

KVM appliances will further enhance functionality and management benefits. Customers can realise a rapid return on investment, easily measured by a notable reduction in labor required to manage their server room or data centre.

## Availability

Avocent’s full line of LCD Console Tray Solutions are currently available to purchase and shipping through its branded distribution channel. More information is available at <http://www.avocent.com/LCDRackConsoles.aspx>

## About Avocent Corporation

Avocent delivers IT operations management solutions that reduce operating costs, simplify management and increase the availability of critical IT environments 24/7 via integrated, centralised software.

Additional information is available at [www.avocent.com](http://www.avocent.com)

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