Subject: Virtua Via PCIe to PCI chassis available (again?)
Posted by mikeaudet on Fri, 09 May 2014 11:30:54 GMT
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I got an email from Gildas JALABERT, Sales Manager at Virtua Via yesterday telling me that the expansion chassis is still available.

I have no idea why they didn't respond to my phone calls and emails before, but I got two replies yesterday (one from an email I sent, and one from a contact through their web form).

Here is Gildas contact information:

Gildas JALABERT

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I've been using their expansion kit for a long time now, and it's been perfect.

It can be ordered with a ExpressCard host connection, too, which should work to bridge it with a ExpressCard Thunderbolt adapter.

PARIS Lives!

Mike

Subject: Re: Virtua Via PCIe to PCI chassis available (again?)
Posted by dnafe on Fri, 09 May 2014 13:44:39 GMT
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thanks for the heads up

Subject: Re: Virtua Via PCIe to PCI chassis available (again?)
Posted by mikeaudet on Sat, 10 May 2014 14:33:47 GMT
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I ordered the ExpressCard for the chassis yesterday. I'll let you guys know how the purchase goes.

All the best,

Mike

Subject: Re: Virtua Via PCIe to PCI chassis available (again?)
Posted by excelav on Mon, 19 May 2014 01:48:52 GMT
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Correction:
As Mike says below, the PCI expansion chassis with the wall wart will not work. You would need to get the current Virtua Via chassis.

James

Subject: Re: Virtua Via PCIe to PCI chassis available (again?)
Posted by mikeaudet on Mon, 19 May 2014 12:19:23 GMT
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Hi James,

Those expansion chassis use a wall wart to power the PCI cards. The EDS cards draw about 20 watts from the 5 volt lead each, which is too much for a wall wart. You might get one card to work in these, but definitely not two.

The Virtua Via chassis is so unique because it uses an ATX power supply, just like the Magma options, but for a fraction of the price.

All the best!

Mike

Subject: Re: Virtua Via PCIe to PCI chassis available (again?)
Posted by excelav on Mon, 19 May 2014 14:05:06 GMT
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Hey Mike thanks for the info.

James

Subject: Re: Virtua Via PCIe to PCI chassis available (again?)
Posted by mikeaudet on Thu, 05 Jun 2014 13:34:17 GMT
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I got the Express Card connection from Virtua Via a few days ago.

I haven't had a chance to try it yet, but I'll post when I do.

All the best,

Mike

Subject: Re: Virtua Via PCIe to PCI chassis available (again?)
Posted by Studio111 on Sat, 14 Jun 2014 19:24:38 GMT
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Mike,

Please give us an update...have you had a chance to try everything?

How's it working?

thanks!

Don

Subject: Re: Virtua Via PCIe to PCI chassis available (again?)
Posted by mikeaudet on Wed, 18 Jun 2014 23:33:13 GMT
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Hi Don,

I haven't had a chance to try the ExpressCard adapter yet. It turns out my laptop is so old that it has a cardbus slot. I need to find a time when I am free and I can borrow my wife's laptop.

I'm very confident that it will work just fine.

All the best,

Mike

Subject: Re: Virtua Via PCIe to PCI chassis available (again?)
Posted by Rich.Kelley on Fri, 29 Nov 2019 19:36:18 GMT
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I couldn't find any VirtuaVia Chassis available, new or used. I did find several MAGMA PE6R4-1 both new and used (new ones are crazy expensive). Any issues with those, or is there a source for the VirtuaVia's that I'm missing?

Subject: Re: Virtua Via PCIe to PCI chassis available (again?)
Posted by Rich.Kelley on Sat, 30 Nov 2019 06:44:33 GMT
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I pulled the trigger on a Magma PE6R4-1. Hope this wasn't a mistake, but if so tell me. It's a fixable mistake.

My overall goal is a stable system that will run 4 cards. No midi or anything else is necessary. I can get other computers to do that.

Assuming the Magma will work, next up is a modern computer and operating system to go with the Magma. I can build a computer if necessary. What's the thought on either a current Mobo and parts, or (preferably) whole system.

Also, operating system. Should I just go with Windows 10, or should I buy a copy of Windows 7 and install fresh? This computer only has to run Paris and any programs necessary to get from Paris files to .wav. It never has to be connected to the internet or do other tasks.

Finally, I'm still using WaveLab lite to go from Paris to .wav. Will that still work, or is there a better option? If so, what?

Sorry for all of the questions.

Subject: Re: Virtua Via PCIe to PCI chassis available (again?)
Posted by Rich.Kelley on Sat, 30 Nov 2019 06:48:06 GMT
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If you're interested in something that I've recorded on my current Paris rig:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=6z1OIWQ5oZ8

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=qAdVeQ7vhFA

Thanks again for any help.

Rich