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Posted by [Aaron Allen](#) on Wed, 05 Mar 2008 08:09:04 GMT

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Posted by [excelav](#) on Wed, 05 Mar 2008 08:35:44 GMT

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Posted by [Bill L](#) on Wed, 05 Mar 2008 15:09:26 GMT

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Posted by [tonehouse](#) on Wed, 05 Mar 2008 15:41:11 GMT

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Posted by [Neil](#) on Wed, 05 Mar 2008 18:44:49 GMT

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I have some Monster mic cables & speaker cables (both the regular side-by-side zip cord variety, as well as the phone jack ones for amp cabs) I can DEFINITELY hear a difference between the Monster mic cables & a couple of low-end cables of the same length that I keep as spares/emergency use only; but then again, I can hear a difference between those low-end ones & some other good quality mic cables I have, as well, that AREN'T Monster brands... I don't believe I can hear a difference between the Monster mic cables & the other high-end ones I have. On the speaker cable end of things, I like the Monster stuff because it really is pretty heavy-duty, and if you're running a 20-foot cable from an amp head in the control room to a speaker cab in an iso room, it can get stepped on & kicked often enough to where I think it's worth having a good, well-built cable for the task. Now, for the zip cord version (on my regular home stereo), I do feel that I can hear a slight difference between the Monster stuff & the speaker cables I had before that, which were smaller gauge ones - but that could simply be a matter of a larger gauge wire is going to have less resistance... I haven't tried out any other heavy gauge brands in that application.

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