Subject: Just for grins... Posted by Gantt Kushner on Sat, 03 Mar 2007 01:56:47 GMT

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Posted by chuck duffy on Sat, 03 Mar 2007 04:02:52 GMT

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Subject: Re: Just for grins...

Posted by Neil on Sat, 03 Mar 2007 04:17:07 GMT

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Chuckster, very true... but it's still about \$10k minimum to get into a HD system - that's what it'd run, street price, for a single core card (NO Accel card) and a 96i/o (NOT the 192 i/o).

If it were half that for a core card & a 192i/o, I'd be there.

Neil

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Subject: Re: Just for grins... Posted by dc[3] on Sat, 03 Mar 2007 05:23:03 GMT "chuck duffy" <c@c.com> wrote:

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You know what's weird about that thing? No convertors. A Control 24 is essentially an analog mixer combined with a transport control and you can use it to control the mixer faders in PT. You must buy PT I/O's for every input you use the Control 24 for... Also, the PT cards do not send audio to a Control 24, so again, you must use an expensive I/O box to get back to the Control 24 to monitor. Also, the Control 24 CR feeds are lousy sounding! My client that I built the PT room for has to use them for surround, but if you just patch a passive attenuator between the 192 I/O and the L-R monitors, the sound improves noticeably, and of course you can't control your CR level with the Control 24 any more...

Very strange, and Digi does not say much about all this unless you really dig around on the site.

I'm staying with ole tired Paris. Still sounds great.

DC