Plugfest Update

• Plugfest held week of April 25th at UNH
  – 20 companies, 65-70 people
  – Results exceeded expectations
  – Several large systems configured
    • Largest >110 drives
    • Multiple hosts

• Next plugfest targeted for late Sept at UNH
  – Updated NDA will be on STA website soon
  – Focused on large system build and error handling/exception testing

• UNH SAS consortium
  – Provides additional testing capability beyond plugfest
    • Especially PHY area for backplanes, etc
General Update

• Cable Icons proposed for SAS 1.1
  – Have been included in SAS 1.1
• Confusion in ordering cables (esp. connector naming)
  – Proposed connector names to be included in SAS 1.1
    • “SATA” – single lane internal
    • “SAS 4x” – 4 wide IB style external
    • “Mini SAS 4x” – 4 wide compact external (Molex proposed)
    • “SAS 4i” – 4 wide internal connector
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    • “SAS Drive” – 2 port combo connector for drives