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MEMO: To All Bryston Customers

SUBJECT: Customer Feedback BHA-1 Headphone Amplifier

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Hi James

I had the chance this weekend to go to Audio Consultants in Evanston, IL and listen to the BHA-1/Sennheiser HD800 combo. **Wow! Just ridiculously good.**

Last time I heard the HD800 was also at Audio Consultants, and I remember being sorely disappointed by the lack of bass response and the resulting shrill highs. The massive power of the BHA-1 just opened up these headphones and made them sing in a way that I've never heard before. About 12 o'clock on low gain and 10 o'clock on high gain were enough to put the headphones at a pretty loud level. There is an incredible synergy between the BHA-1 and the HD800. I was floored by the BHA-1's ability to resolve details against a jet-black background. I think that a higher-quality source would have made the experience even better. I listened with the Micromega CD player that they already had hooked up. It's a pretty good player, but I know that there are better sources for not significantly more money.

I've been searching for quite some time now for a headphone and amplifier combo that would satisfy my desire to be in the upper echelon of audio without having to take out a second mortgage. I've found it with this pairing. Bryston is going to have many of the boutique manufacturers of headphone amplifiers running scared because the sound quality of this amp is as good as they come and it costs about 1/3 of what some other companies charge for their amps.

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