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BYU Marriott Center Clearly Improves Sound Reinforcement with Electro-Voice® X-Line™

LAS VEGAS, NV (September 4, 2002): What began as a modest sound system upgrade at Brigham Young University's Marriott Center arena turned into a complete system replacement once the arena staff heard a demonstration of Electro-Voice® X-Line™ linear array loudspeakers.

At our first meeting in the fall of 2001, they were only thinking about amplifier replacements," said Deward Timothy of Poll Sound in Salt Lake City, which designed and installed the new X-Line system. "I mentioned that line arrays were being used a lot in concerts and fixed installs, and they wanted to hear a demo."

Timothy arranged for an X-Line demo during a live performance in the 22,700-seat arena. He said that X-Line wowed his Marriott Center clients. "Electro-Voice was not the only system they listened to, but it was the most pleasing. Great voicing, great intelligibility. Six weeks after the demo, BYU gave us a purchase order for a new X-Line system. Designing and installing the actual X-Line system proved a bit more challenging than running the one-event demo. "The demo system was aimed in one direction," Timothy explained. "But the installed X-Line system had to cover the entire 360-degree arena. I used EV® software to see the lobing of the arrays, and worked out the design from there. It's wasn't difficult at all."

Timothy's final design consisted of six X-Line arrays with seven cabinets each: a total of 4 Xvls long-throw cabinets; 1 Xvlt medium throw, wider coverage cabinets used in the lower part of the array; 1 Xfil for downfill under the array, and 1 Xsub subwoofer flown. In addition to the X-Line arrays, Poll Sound replaced the old speaker cluster under the scoreboard with Electro-Voice QRx-153 three-way speakers for fill-in on the arena floor. The Electro-Voice® QRx-153 loudspeakers have been nominated for the upcoming 2002 TEC Awards at the AES Show in October.

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