

HAI Company Background



HAI (Home Automation, Inc.) was formed in 1985 to provide automation products to the newly emerging automation and controls market. HAI's founders, Tom Pickral, Brian Yokum, and Jay McLellan, worked together in the commercial automation industry and sought to apply this expertise to the home automation market.

The company's first product, the Model 1503, was introduced in 1988 as the first system on the market to offer complete burglary and fire protection, telephone access, lighting and appliance control plus programmable automation in a single affordable product.



HAI founders Tom Pickral, Brian Yokum, and Jay McLellan

In January 2005 HAI purchased a 51,000 sq. ft. manufacturing facility on nine acres of land in eastern New Orleans. The expansion provided additional resources for engineering, on-site training, testing, product development, marketing, technical support, as well as additional warehouse space.

HAI's facility was damaged during Hurricane Katrina in 2005; however, HAI recovered from this event by relocating into multiple temporary offices and quickly restoring product manufacturing and shipping. The renovated facility reopened in April 2006.

Industry Participation & Research

As a market leader in the home automation industry, HAI actively engages in research for the advancement of HAI products and the industry as a whole. Energy conservation, alternative energy and better building techniques are ongoing endeavors being pursued by HAI's Engineering and Product Development divisions in conjunction with several private and government agencies.

HAI and its partners have ongoing research projects in four areas: Enhanced Logic Thermostats, "Health" Monitoring for Heating, Ventilation and Air Conditioning (HVAC) systems, Zero Energy Homes, and Home Energy Monitoring. Additionally, HAI participates in the Department of Energy's Building America programs to develop energy solutions for new and existing homes.

HAI is proud to be active members of the following leading industry organizations:



New Products



HAI OmniTouch 5.7

New features and functions, including a larger LCD screen, improved video update rate, speaker, infrared receiver and more!



Hi-Fi by HAI

Hi-Fi by HAI is an affordable built-in Whole Home Audio System with sleek wall mounted controls that replace bulky speakers and components.



OMNISTAT/2

Allows a homeowner to easily define temperature schedules and monitor their energy consumption for increased savings and comfort.



HAI SNAP LINK Mobile

Monitor and control lights, security, audio, temperatures, and webcams on your Smartphone or PDA.

Award winning products since 1985



HAI President and CEO Jay McLellan accepting the 2006 Building Technologies CEO of the Year Award at Frost and Sullivan's Excellence in Industrial Technologies Banquet.

Since its inception in 1985, HAI has been raising the standard in home automation technology as the industry leader and innovator. We are honored to have recently received the following recognition:



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