

# SANDISK PROVIDES CUSTOM STORAGE SOLUTION FOR LENOVO THINKPAD X1 CARBON

SanDisk X100 SSD Brings High-Performance, Large Storage Capacity in Extremely Small Package for World's Lightest 14-Inch Ultrabook



**FLASH MEMORY SUMMIT, SANTA CLARA, Calif., Aug. 21, 2012-** SanDisk Corporation (NASDAQ: **SNDK**), a global leader in flash memory storage solutions, today announced it is providing **Lenovo** with the solid state drive (SSD) used in the new **Lenovo® ThinkPad® X1 Carbon**, the world's lightest 14-inch Ultrabook™ computer.<sup>1</sup>

The **Lenovo ThinkPad X1 Carbon** weighs in at less than three pounds, has an exterior made of extremely lightweight carbon fiber material, boasts optional embedded 3G connectivity for anywhere, anytime Internet access, and relies on a 256GB<sup>2</sup> **SanDisk X100 SSD** for incredibly responsive, small form factor storage. The version of the **SanDisk X100 SSD** being used by **Lenovo** relies on a custom design that is smaller than the typical SSD, helping to reduce both the size and weight of the **Lenovo X1 Carbon**, as well as reducing power consumption. **SanDisk** offers the **X100 SSD** in both 256GB and 128GB capacities.

"**Lenovo's** leadership pioneering the **X1 Carbon** pushes the envelope in terms of bringing 'no compromise performance' to an extremely thin, light and connected form factor," said **Tom Butler**, director Worldwide **ThinkPad** Product Marketing, **Lenovo**. "Collaborating with **SanDisk** has helped us enable the **ThinkPad X1 Carbon's** design."

"The **Lenovo ThinkPad X1 Carbon** is stunning both in terms of its aesthetics as well as its capabilities," said **Kevin Conley**, senior vice president and general manager, Client Storage Solutions, **SanDisk**. "Our custom version of the **SanDisk X100 SSD** helps **Lenovo** deliver high-capacity and high-performance storage for this innovative **Ultrabook** product."

## SanDisk Solid State Drives

**SanDisk** offers a full portfolio of products for the retail, OEM and enterprise channels. In the **retail** channel, **SanDisk SSDs** offer consumers the extra computational muscle needed to keep pace with next-generation games and applications. Whether you're a gamer, a computing enthusiast, or an everyday PC user, a **SanDisk SSD** brings quicker program loading, smoother application performance, and faster data transfer to your PC.

**SanDisk** also sells **SSDs** directly to **OEMs**. **SanDisk SSDs** excel as standalone storage solutions and in dual-drive cache acceleration setups. **SanDisk** also manufactures **SSDs** to custom specifications and in custom form factors, helping **OEMs** meet the market demand for faster memory performance. **SanDisk**, in partnership with **ConduSiv™ Technologies**, provides a full software and hardware solution for improving **SSD** performance. **ExpressCache** software, when sold together with **SanDisk SSDs**, helps **OEMs** deliver more responsive computing systems to their customers.

For the enterprise, **Lightning® SSDs** provide the industry's widest array of flexible cloud and data center system design solutions. The drives deliver dramatic I/O performance, predictable performance and superior reliability over competing **SSD** technology. **Lightning PCIe** Enterprise Solid State Accelerator cards deliver accelerated performance for technical, media, entertainment, enterprise, finance, and cloud applications. **SanDisk** now also offers enterprise software, to deliver improved performance benefits with small amounts of flash storage installed in servers. In enterprise data centers facing space and power constraints, server acceleration presents a cost-effective strategy for maximizing the performance of existing IT infrastructure.

## About SanDisk

**SanDisk Corporation** (NASDAQ: **SNDK**) is a global leader in flash memory storage solutions, from research and development, product design and manufacturing to branding and distribution for **OEM** and retail channels. Since 1988, **SanDisk's** innovations in flash memory and storage system technologies have provided customers with new and transformational digital experiences. **SanDisk's** diverse product portfolio includes flash memory cards and embedded solutions used in smart phones, tablets, digital cameras, camcorders, digital media players and other consumer electronic devices, as well as **USB** flash drives and solid-state drives (**SSD**) for the computing market. **SanDisk's** products are used by consumers and enterprise customers around the world.

**SanDisk** is a Silicon Valley-based **S&P 500** and **Fortune 500** company, with more than half its sales outside the United States. For more information, visit [www.sandisk.com](http://www.sandisk.com).

<sup>1</sup> Compared with other 14-in laptops that comply with the Intel Ultrabook® specification, including Dell XPS 14Z, HP Envy 14 Spectre, Samsung Series 5 14-in, Toshiba Satellite U840 and Fujitsu U772.

<sup>2</sup> 1 gigabyte (GB) = 1 billion bytes. Some capacity not available for data storage.

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