Subject: Peavey VSX Speaker Management System Posted by wunhuanglo on Fri, 02 Jun 2006 21:42:17 GMT

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Hi Kids!I know that this post is about a nominally professional piece of audio gear but some people may also buy it for home applications so I thought I'd post here. Below is a letter I just sent to Peavey - it's self explanatory.**************************Let's get the preliminaries out of the way first - I'm just another idiot customer. I know I'm just a means to enhancing the revenue stream and increasing shareholder equity. I know you and the rest of the company don't care whether I live or die so long as I buy, BUT NONETHELESS I JUST HAVE TO GO ON RECORD TO SAY I CAN'T BELIEVE THIS.I purchased a VSX 26 based on what I felt was the single most important feature it offered over the similarly priced competition - a GUI interface. Now that I've taken delivery of the unit I find out that the GUI is vaporware. On top of that the RTA is also non-existent. What good is a speaker set-up device without RTA? Yeah, I guess I can try to use my Rane RTA in conjunction with the VSX box but why should I? I bought the Peavey box to be able to clean out my rack of a bunch of Rane boxes - no point in that apparently. I don't know what else this thing doesn't do that the web site says it does (I've only had it an hour and half of that was on the phone) but it's just unbelievable to me that I should be in this position. It's even more unbelievable that Customer Service says "Yeah, I know. Watch the web forums for updates". If the web site said what the box DOES do and what it MIGHT some day do, I wouldn't have bought it in the first place. And then the cherry on the top - Customer Service says I can return it to the factory for a CREDIT!!! A credit - why in the world would I want to buy ANYTHING else from Peavey? So I can get hosed again? I know, I'm not only a useless customer but a whiner too and nobody gives a damn once the money's in the bank. That said, this is the most unprofessional experience I've had in 30+ years of buying PA audio gear (then again, it's the first time I've bought Peavey - you think they might be related?). Yours in incredulous disappointment, Charlie DeLuca The Amazing VSX26 - Even the manual's vaporware!

Subject: Re: Peavey VSX Speaker Management System Posted by Manualblock on Sat. 03 Jun 2006 01:06:26 GMT

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Hey Charlie; you do irate real good. Whats the outcome; can you take 'em to court? Fill out that boilerplate Bloomburg complaint form and file it with the small claims court; 5\$ to file. What do you have to lose? They have to answer.

Subject: Re: Peavey VSX Speaker Management System Posted by wunhuanglo on Sat, 03 Jun 2006 12:13:26 GMT

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Honestly John, I don't see any point. There is a remedy at law - the dealer will accept it as a return. But I have to admit that now I'm intrigued - this is like a view into one of those worlds you stumble into now and then - like collectors of 8-track tapes and erotic netsuke. Amazingly enough, after some more research, it seems that most people are just fine with the idea. Apparently there's a cult of Peavey devotion that doesn't worry about such minutae. I may just have to ride this out to see where it goes.

Subject: Re: Peavey VSX Speaker Management System Posted by Manualblock on Sat, 03 Jun 2006 12:39:10 GMT

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Hold on; I'm busy collating my erotic netsuke collection; I'll be right there. Good Luck with this.

Subject: Whassup?

Posted by Wayne Parham on Sat, 03 Jun 2006 19:32:40 GMT

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Wow - Charlie - Sorry to hear about your hassles and disappointment but it's great to hear from you again! Have you recovered and settled in after the hurricane?

Subject: Re: Whassup?

Posted by wunhuanglo on Sun, 04 Jun 2006 00:10:57 GMT

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Hi WayneYes, it's been quite a while since I checked in. We're pretty well under control now (just in time for the new season!). I have some patching left yet but things are reasonably back to normal, which is why I'm back fooling with audio again.

Subject: Re: I lead a sheltered life

Posted by Bill Epstein on Sun, 04 Jun 2006 09:32:24 GMT

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I had to Google "erotic netsuke"Kinda wish I hadn't...

Those zany Nipponese

Subject: Re: I lead a sheltered life Posted by Manualblock on Sun, 04 Jun 2006 14:39:57 GMT

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The height of the pursuit of exacting minutia taken to extreme. Like audio somewhat.

Subject: Re: Whassup?

Posted by Wayne Parham on Sun, 04 Jun 2006 16:24:27 GMT

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Glad to hear things are getting back to normal. Good to hear from you!