

INTRINSYC HELPS TO EXTEND THE POWER OF WINDOWS DNA FOR MANUFACTURING TO DISTRIBUTED EMBEDDED WINDOWS CE SYSTEMS

Vancouver (April 20, 1999) - Intrinsyc Software Inc. (ICS.V) today announced it has teamed with Microsoft to apply Intrinsyc's Windows CE-based DCOM-bridging technologies towards extending the power of the Windows Distributed interNet Applications for Manufacturing (Windows DNA for Manufacturing) architecture, thereby enhancing the immediate use of Windows CE in the manufacturing industry. Intrinsyc Software is recognized as a leading Windows CE solutions provider in this industry with OPC (OLE for Process Control) compliant deviceCOM technologies. The Intrinsyc 'Windows CE-based DCOM Bridging Technology' white paper can be found at http://www.microsoft.com/dna/industry.asp.

Windows DNA for Manufacturing defines an architecture that enables straightforward implementation between systems, including plant floor, ERP, and legacy systems. Microsoft is helping to provide the plumbing for the total integration of a factory - from the plant floor up through highlevel business systems - with the launch of Windows DNA for Manufacturing last February. Windows DNA is primarily based on Microsoft's Distributed Component Object Model (DCOM), a framework for building reusable, distributed component-based software systems that is also the foundation for Intrinsyc's Windows CE-based DCOM-bridging technologies.

To demonstrate the robustness of Windows CE for manufacturing, Microsoft has created a Windows CE in Controls Road-show in conjunction with 10 leading providers for the manufacturing industry. These firms are ATR Corp., BlueWater Systems, DynaPro, Dactronics, Intellution, Intrinsyc Software, Rockwell, Schneider Automation, Siemens and WonderWare. The Windows CE Controls Road-show booth was kicked off during National Manufacturing Week, March 15-18 in Chicago and will also be at the Microsoft CE Developers Conference June 6-9 in Denver.

"The Microsoft Windows DNA for Manufacturing framework leverages a rugged Windows CE solution on the plant floor, the actual control system." says Nat Frampton, Microsoft 'Windows CE in Controls' roadshow coordinator. "Intrinsyc's deviceCOM allows high-performance OPC and DCOM functionality on embedded Windows CE platforms, and makes data access and Windows CE implementation throughout the enterprise a reality today".

Intrinsyc's deviceCOM is a DCOM-bridging technology for specialized distributed embedded Windows CE systems. The deviceCOM framework is transparent to COM clients and servers, and is compatible at the object level with the DCOM standard used by over three million developers worldwide for desktop and enterprise applications. The deviceCOM framework is optimized for use in high-reliability, distributed systems such as the ones found in industrial automation or retail point-ofsale (OPC and OPOS - OLE for Point-of-Sale) and extends the Microsoft Windows DNA for Manufacturing framework down to the lowest embedded system level.

Intrinsyc's CErfBoard technologies combine a minimal footprint Windows CE operating system, running on a 32 bit processor with Intrinsyc's deviceCOM and Rainbow Web Server technologies, in a compact reference design that provides Windows DNA for Manufacturing based distributed and web enabled networking capabilities to existing legacy factory floor products. A number of Intrinsyc's OEM Partners are already using CErfBoard technologies to upgrade their current product lines, easily integrating with Microsoft's Windows DNA for Manufacturing architecture, helping to drive enterprise level open standards to the factory floor. CErfBoard's ability to cost effectively link legacy embedded systems to comply with these open standards, increases business benefits by protecting current and future investments for Windows CE customers using Intrinsyc's technologies.

Intrinsyc Software Inc. develops software technologies for license, and offers supporting services to Original Equipment Manufacturers (OEMs) and Systems Integrators building the next generation of Internet enabled consumer and commercial computing products. Intrinsyc recently entered into a technology partnership with BSQUARE Corporation of Bellevue, Washington, to deliver Windows CE-based software solutions to Industrial Automation OEMs. As part of this strategic partnership, BSQUARE will serve as Intrinsyc's master systems integrator to OEMs in this market. Intrinsyc in turn gains access to BSQUARE's international distribution network. Together BSQUARE and Intrinsyc will dramatically shorten the development time for the next generation of Industrial Automation Systems based on Windows CE. For more information contact Intrinsyc at info@intrinsyc.com or our World Wide Web Page: http://www.intrinsyc.com

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