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Corel Corporation Introduces Corel DESIGNER Technical Suite 12

Corel Delivers the World Most Complete and Affordable Technical Graphics Suite

London, UK 28 February 2005 Corel Corporation today introduces Corel DESIGNER Technical Suite 12, the latest version of the company award-winning technical graphics software. Corel DESIGNER Technical Suite 12 is designed specifically to make technical illustrators more productive, enabling them to create technical documentation, instructional manuals, and maintenance references with exceptional precision and speed. The suite will be available next month in English, French, and German, and a fully functional trial version is now available for download from www.corel.co.uk/designer.

Offering an exceptional price/performance ratio and superior ease of use, Corel DESIGNER Technical Suite 12 was created for professional illustrators working in the manufacturing, automotive, aerospace, defense, landscaping, and apparel industries. The suite is universally compatible, supporting more than 75 file formats including AutoCAD 2004, Scalable Vector Graphics (SVG), Adobe Illustrator CorelDRAW TIFF, and many more.

Corel DESIGNER Technical Suite 12 comprises the following: Corel DESIGNER 12 for precise technical illustration and layout; Corel PHOTO-PAINT® 12 for professional image editing; CorelTRACE™ 12 to convert bitmaps and legacy paper documents into vector graphics; and Corel CAPTURE™ 12 to create screen captures, an integral of component of many technical documents. This integrated collection of software applications is unmatched by any other offering in the industry, giving value-conscious customers access to a powerful collection of tools at a price lower than what other vendors charge for a single application.

A very new feature added to Corel DESIGNER Technical Suite 12 was engineered with the needs of technical illustrators and their specific workflow in mind. By offering integrated professional illustration, photo editing, and bitmap to vector conversion applications together in one package, we know customers will be very impressed by this complete solution, said Gerard Metrailler, Corel International Product Manager Graphics.

This suite is unique because it has been created specifically for technical illustration distinct from other offerings that are simply re-purposed CAD, flowcharting, or creative graphics applications. For the first time, businesses have access to an affordable and comprehensive suite that ideal for meeting their needs whether they have one technical illustrator on staff or need to deploy a powerful solution

to an entire documentation team, added Metrailler.

Corel DESIGNER 12 Taking Advanced Technical Illustration to a New Level

- **Professional, specialized, precision drawing** New and enhanced features including the Projected Drawing Mode, Dynamic Guides, Gravity, and the ability to add Object Data-Hot Spotting enable users to create their drawings precisely and with more speed than ever before. The suite offers customers exclusive high-powered functionality not available in any competing application in its price point.
- **Maximizing data integrity** Support for a multitude of vector file formats including openstandard SVG and CGM v4, AutoCAD 2004, PDF, and a full complement of bitmap formats ensures seamless integration into a technical illustrator workflow.
- Fully customizable and scriptable environment Technical illustrators can adapt their working environment by automating repetitive tasks with Microsoft Visual Basic for Applications or customizing the user interface to mimic other graphics applications, including previous versions of Corel and Micrografx DESIGNER. As a result, the user can interact with data and objects easily, speeding the creation of complex technical illustrations.
- **Powerful language support** Dynamic language switching allows multiple language versions to be installed on a single machine. New Unicode support makes it easy to create multilingual documents (including Czech, Greek and Asian languages), enabling teams located around the world to work more efficiently.
- Industry-standard templates and symbols Industry-standard templates and an extensive set of reusable symbols for manufacturing, electrical and architectural requirements make users more efficient by saving them from having to start every project from scratch. Users can also create, deploy and manage custom templates and symbols for standard use throughout an organization.

What's Included?

In addition to the four key applications, Corel DESIGNER 12, Corel PHOTO-PAINT® 12, CorelTRACE[™] 12, and Corel CAPTURE[™] 12, Corel DESIGNER Technical Suite 12 includes: Microsoft Visual Basic for Applications 6.3; Corel® SVG Viewer[™]; ANSI, DIN, ISO, engineering and architectural templates; and comprehensive symbol libraries containing over 4000 manufacturing, electrical and architectural symbols.

Pricing and Availability

Starting today, customers can download the multi-lingual (English, French and German) free trial version directly from Corel at <u>www.corel.co.uk/designer</u>, <u>www.corel.fr/designer</u>,

<u>www.corel.de/designer</u>. Starting next month, the full suite will be available for purchase through Corel and its reseller partners.

Suggested retail pricing for Corel DESIGNER Technical Suite 12 is £454 for full product and £194 for the upgrade. A £46 education license is also available. Upgrade pricing is open to customers who own the following software applications: Corel DESIGNER versions 9 and 10, Micrografx Designer (any version), Micrografx/iGrafx® Business, Micrografx/iGrafx® FlowCharter®, Micrografx Picture Publisher®, Microsoft Visio®, Autodesk AutoCAD LT®, and ACD™/Deneba™ Canvas™.

About Corel

Corel Corporation provides innovative software solutions that help millions of value-conscious businesses and consumers in over 75 countries improve their productivity. The Company is renowned for its powerful software portfolio that combines innovative photo editing and graphics creation, vector-illustration, and technical-graphics applications along with office and personal productivity solutions. Corel's flagship products include the CoreIDRAW® Graphics Suite, the WordPerfect® Office Suite, the Corel Painter™ Natural-Media® painting and illustration software, Corel DESIGNER Technical Suite, and the Paint Shop™ Family of digital photography and image-editing software.

Corel was acquired by San Francisco-based Vector Capital in August 2003, and since that time, has both re-established growth for its flagship product lines and achieved multiple consecutive quarters of corporate profitability. Founded in 1985, Corel is headquartered in Ottawa, Canada. For more information, please visit www.corel.com.

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