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### Methods Workshop to Debut Latest Engineered TruCost™ Improvements at Texprocess 2011

*Methods Workshop will unveil the latest version of its widely-used sewn products costing and engineering software at this month's Texprocess event in Frankfurt. The company is further leveraging the benefits of core Microsoft® technologies to deliver systems enhancements in usability, productivity, and reporting.*

Lake Worth, FL – May 11, 2011 – **Methods Workshop LLC** (<http://www.methodsworkshop.com>) will debut the **Engineered TruCost™ Version 9.2** (ETC) fashion and sewn-products costing and engineering software at **Texprocess 2011** on May 24 – 27 in Frankfurt, Germany. By further leveraging the functional advantages of the Microsoft® .NET framework, ETC 9.2 improves system usability and productivity by enabling user-configurable screen views, expanded search criteria, enhanced machine descriptions, and improved reporting and export capabilities. Methods Workshop will offer hands-on demonstrations of ETC and its pre-production cost estimating companion Quick TruCost (QTC) in **Hall 5-Booth C91** at the world's leading trade fair event for textile and flexible materials processing (<http://www.texprocess.com>).

*According to **Methods Workshop President John Stern**, "ETC 9.2 builds on the tremendous success of our ninth-generation product. By working closely with our global customer base, we continue to find new ways to leverage the latest Microsoft technology to streamline and improve on the way our customers cost and engineer their products and operations. Not only has this new platform increased performance for our customers, it has enabled us to innovate with our products faster and better than ever before. We are confident that ETC will continue to set the bar in our industry for years to come."*

Built on the Microsoft .NET connection software, SQL Server® database, and Visual C# development tools; ETC 9 delivers unrivaled capabilities and performance through a visually-stunning user experience and rock-solid computing platform. Engineered TruCost utilizes methods time measurement (MTM) standards that enable engineering, product development, sourcing, and production professionals to quickly and accurately predict product costs, define operational best practices, and benchmark manufacturing performance against global standards.

Key enhancements included in Engineered TruCost Version 9.2 include:

- Content and Display Enhancements for Operations Reporting
- Direct Export of Operations Report to PDF, XLS, CSV, etc.
- Collapsible Search Lists Maximize Screen Space
- Expanded Operation Search Options
- Expanded Machine Description Displays and Reporting

## **About Methods Workshop LLC**

Methods Workshop is a leading developer and marketer of engineering and costing software solutions for the global fashion and sewn-products industries. Since its inception in 1982, Methods Workshop has provided more than 400 apparel, footwear, furniture, home fashion, transportation, industrial textiles and other sewn-products companies with the systems, certification, consulting, training and support they need to increase competitiveness and accelerate speed to market.

Engineered TruCost™ (ETC) is an industry-specific Predetermined Motion Time System (PMTS) that enables production and sourcing professionals to quickly and accurately predict product costs in advance of production, define operational best practices, plan for production and supply chain execution, and benchmark manufacturing performance against global standards.

Quick TruCost™ (QTC) is a companion or stand-alone costing solution for early-stage design and development needs. Based on answers to eight to ten simple product description questions, QTC provides an immediate estimate of total manufacturing costs with significantly higher accuracies compared to alternative methods.

Methods Workshop markets and supports these and other time and cost-saving business solutions from its headquarters in Lake Worth, Florida. International clients include Brooks Brothers (USA), Hardwick Clothes (USA), HMX (USA), Hermeco (COL), Malwee (BRA), Rori International (VEN), Teamwork (USA), Textil del Valle (PER), and Weissman's (USA).

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