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**Third Wave Systems Announces Upcoming Software Release
AdvantEdge Production Module Version 5.6 Arriving May 4, 2009**

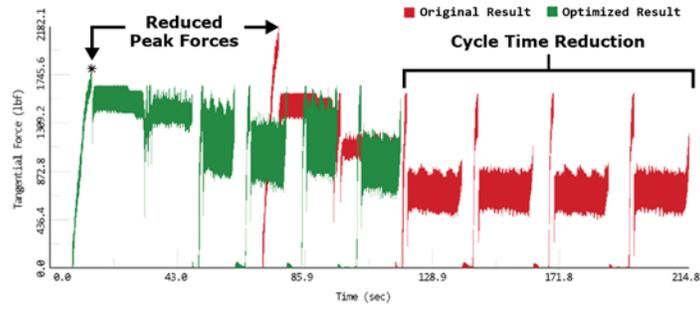
MINNEAPOLIS, MINN. (13 April 2009) – Third Wave Systems, Inc. is pleased to announce the upcoming release of AdvantEdge Production Module version 5.6 on May 4, 2009. Production Module is process-analysis CAE software that integrates workpiece material properties, CAD/CAM inputs, and machine dynamics to map forces, temperatures, and more. By displaying results visually, Production Module allows users to better understand the machining process to avoid potential problems and identify opportunities for improvements.

New and/or enhanced features to be included in AdvantEdge Production Module 5.6 are:

- Sub-sequence optimization for better control and analysis of long cut sequences
- Differential pitch tool geometry definition
- Variable helix/roughing end mill tool geometry definition
- Standard bar and tube stock workpiece definition

AdvantEdge Production Module was first introduced as a Third Wave Systems product in 2003; benefits include reduced cycle times, maximized machine utilization, and reduced tool breakage.

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AdvantEdge Production Module balances tool loads and recommends new feeds and speeds, optimizing the user's NC program.

About Third Wave Systems, Inc. Third Wave Systems provides material-based, machining modeling software and services used by Fortune 500 aerospace, automotive, cutting tool, and micro-manufacturing companies to optimize traditional and state-of-the-art high speed machining processes. Headquartered in Minneapolis, Minnesota, USA, Third Wave Systems also has offices in Detroit, Michigan; East Hartford, Connecticut; and Rotherham, UK. International distributors are located in Europe and Asia.

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