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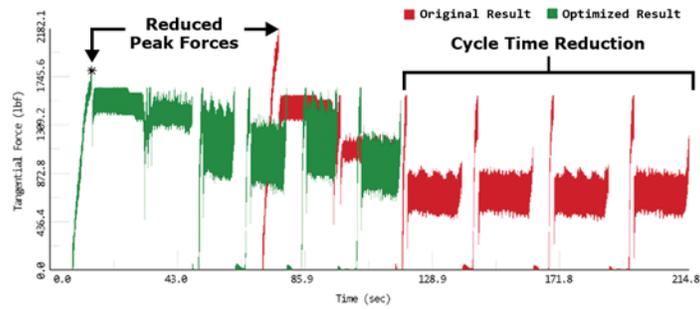
Third Wave Systems Announces Upcoming Software Release Production Module Version 5.7 Arriving November 2, 2009

MINNEAPOLIS, MINN. (13 October 2009) – Third Wave Systems is excited to announce the upcoming release of Production Module version 5.7 on November 2, 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. Over the years, this technology has become integral to engineers looking to reduce cycle times, maximize machine utilization, and reduce tool breakage. By displaying results visually, Production Module allows users to better understand the machining process to avoid potential problems and identify opportunities for improvements.

Production Module 5.7 will introduce many new and/or enhanced features in both its 2D and 3D editions, including:

- MetalMAX stability data import (3D)
- Split line optimization (2D and 3D)
- Tool center programming (3D)
- VERICUT profile tool definition (3D)
- Center drilling (2D)
- Tool change time transients (3D)
- Graphing results overlay (2D)
- Subsequence optimization (2D)
- APT cycle definition (3D)

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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 and cutting tool 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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