PRESS RELEASE

Soft Servo Systems at IMTS, Chicago, September 4-11

See Demonstrations of the S-100M, A PC-Based Industrial CNC for Mills and Machining Centers, at Booth #D-3248

WALTHAM, MA – Soft Servo Systems, Inc., a leading provider of PC-based CNC and general motion control products, will unveil its S-100M, a new PC-based industrial CNC, at the 2002 International Manufacturing Technology Show (IMTS). The S-100M is ideal for four-axis machining centers, three-axis knee-mills, EDM machines, grinding and shearing machines, and more. This CNC software application has an intuitive GUI interface that has been tested and approved by end users, and which includes spindle functions, tool-related compensations, work coordinate offsets, and all standard CNC operational functions and features. The S-100M will be offered as a software package that also includes the ServoWorksPLC Application Suite, and as a turnkey package with an industrial panel PC designed for CNC applications.

Soft Servo Systems will also be demonstrating the S-100T, its CNC for lathes and turning machines; and MC-Quad, a controller for machines which require CNC features, but which don't require spindle functions or tool-related compensations, such as punching machines and laser cutting machines.

The company's entire product line is based on its ServoWorks™ technology: innovative, PC-based soft motion technology for real-time motion / CNC control. With ServoWorks, a single PC performs all servo control, including feedback loops and NC path generation, as well as providing the user interface, data processing, plant monitoring, network communication, file management, and more. This host PC can run on Windows NT, Windows 2000 or Windows XP, with a Venturcom RTX real-time extension to the operating system.

In addition to the S-100M, Soft Servo Systems will be introducing MotionPro, its powerful and robust software application for 16-axis general motion control. MotionPro delivers a comprehensive motion control environment, and can be used for testing and tuning, executing and editing motion programs, monitoring motion, I/O and PLC, etc.

All of Soft Servo Systems' CNC and general motion control applications work on three servo communications platforms. The company has always offered ServoWorks with VersioBus™, its proprietary real-time fiber-optic servo communications platform that interfaces with any analog servo drive and supports most motors and encoders. Soft Servo Systems introduced its second servo communications platform, ServoWorks with ServoWire®, at the recent Eastec trade show in Springfield, Massachusetts. ServoWorks with ServoWire uses IEEE 1394 FireWire technology for a servo network and controls up to 16 digital, networked ServoWire SM drives from Ormec Systems Corp.

At IMTS, Soft Servo Systems will be demonstrating its new ServoWorks with Mechatrolink™, a digital servo communications network from Yaskawa Electric Corporation, a $2 billion global manufacturer of motors and drives. ServoWorks with Mechatrolink works with the Yaskawa family of digital servo systems, inverters and I/O, and eliminates motion control boards, breakout boxes, and encoder and analog cables from the PC.

Soft Servo Systems will be at Booth # D-3248 at the IMTS trade show September 4 - September 11, 2002 at 2301 S. Lake Shore Dr., McCormick Place, Chicago, IL (www.imts.com).

About Soft Servo Systems, Inc.

Soft Servo Systems, Inc., founded by MIT professionals, is a leading provider of PC-based motion control products that use a single host CPU to perform all real-time control operations. Soft Servo Systems was the first U.S.-based company to introduce PC-based, open architecture CNC for lathes, machining centers and laser cutting machines. Soft Servo's product lines include prepackaged CNC controllers and general motion controllers with VersioBus™ fiber-optic, ServoWire® IEEE 1394 or Mechatrolink™ servo communications. More information is available at www.softservo.com.