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MDT Software Unveils Products for Electronic Approval and Audit Trails of Automation Device and Document Changes

ALPHARETTA, Georgia, July 15, 2009 – MDT Software, a world leader in change control solutions for automated manufacturing assets, has introduced the AutoSave Approval and Audit Trail Modules to support electronic approval with detailed audit trails for automated device programs and documents. MDT's flagship product, AutoSave, is an enterprise source management solution to secure, protect, save, restore, discover, and track changes in PLCs, HMIs, SCADA systems, robots and other industrial programmable devices and documents.

MDT AutoSave is part of the change control and audit infrastructure that ensures manufacturers that processes have not been altered without approval or documentation. AutoSave's unique change control features, including internal security capabilities, have long been beneficial to regulated industry sites in meeting the requirements of the FDA, including compliance with 21 CFR 11. The AutoSave Approval and Audit Modules were developed to augment AutoSave's existing device program and document modules with the following advanced workflow and approval functionality:

Electronic approvals: approval groups can be easily configured via drag-and-drop interface allowing users to be assigned to one or many devices or documents; automatic capture of audit trail information including the approver's user ID and comments, activity date and time stamp; complete revision history and in-process status of active development projects available on-demand.

Multiple review statuses: view program versions that are in different statuses (request for approval, test, validate, implemented); complete history of review and approvals.

Verification & confirmation processes: access to key processes requires users to re-enter their password, thereby verifying active user status; automatic email to approvers prompts the need for review and approval of a device program or document change; user privileges are verified automatically prior to confirmation.

Additional security features: control of expiring password and prior password re-use; email addresses for AutoSave users captured for approval and other notifications; existing automatic logs augments with additional, electronic log messages; configurable required approval processes.

"The AutoSave Approval & Audit Trail Modules further demonstrate MDT's commitment to enable manufacturers to gain control of escalating automation challenges and ease change control burdens by securing software assets, reducing time and problems related to changes and complying with regulatory requirements for audit trails and change authorization," explains Gary Gillespie, vice president and general manager of MDT software.

MDT's other new product, the AutoSave Reports Module, is included with the AutoSave Approval & Audit Trail Modules to provide even greater exposure to changes in the automation layer. The AutoSave Reports Module allows users to generate over 70 unique reports from the historical data stored in AutoSave. Users can filter data to specific information such as client, agent or user, create specialized audit reports and view important program statistics.

For more information on the AutoSave Approval & Audit Trail Modules and AutoSave Reports Module, please visit <u>www.MDT-Software.com/Products/Add-OnModules.html</u>.

About MDT Software, Inc.

MDT Software is a world leader in change management solutions for automated manufacturing devices. MDT's flagship product, AutoSave, empowers users to protect, save, restore, discover, and track changes in industrial programmable devices and plant-floor documents. AutoSave supports the most comprehensive range of devices and editors in the industry from Schneider, Siemens, Mitsubishi, Indramat, Wonderware, GE, Rockwell Automation and others. For more information on MDT and AutoSave, visit www.mdt-software.com.