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Altium offers free TASKING support on C166/ST10 and TriCore toolsets

SYDNEY, Australia – April 24, 2002 – Altium Limited (ASX: ALU), a leading developer of Windows-based electronic design and development software, is pleased to announce a special offer of 12 months free TASKING support with the purchase of TASKING C166/ST10 and TASKING TriCore Embedded Software Development Toolsets. This special offer is available until June 30, 2002, and represents a saving of between US\$397.50 and US\$1,350.00 off the regular retail price of TASKING support. TASKING is Altium's range of world-leading tools for embedded software development, and this offer emphasises Altium's commitment to providing every electronic designer and software developer with access to the best possible tools at an affordable price.

TASKING C166/ST10 and TriCore toolsets are Altium's most popular toolsets and are both commonly regarded as the de facto industry standard for C166/ST10 and TriCore developments worldwide. Both the C166/ST10 and the TriCore toolsets are complete, powerful embedded software development toolsets and include the intuitive, award-winning TASKING Embedded Development Environment (EDE), fast and efficient C++/EC++/C/MISRA C compiler, the CrossView Pro debugger, powerful linker/locator and assembler as well as support for all derivatives within the C166/ST10 and TriCore target architectures.

The TASKING C166/ST10 Software Development Toolset delivers the very latest technology for producing tight, compact, efficient code for embedded software developments for the C166/ST10 architecture. It offers advanced automated memory utilization for the complete range of C166/ST10 derivatives, MISRA C enhanced error checking, new optimizations for significant code size reduction, and application wide Global Storage Optimization.

The TASKING TriCore Software Development Toolset benefits from Altium's close partnership with Infineon Technologies, and the latest release – v1.5 – offers full support for the new, second-generation TriCore 2 architecture. The recent TASKING TriCore tool developments have focused on a wide range of

compiler code generation enhancements, and the TASKING TriCore toolset is able to take full advantage of the powerful and versatile TriCore architecture.

With Altium's TASKING support program, developers have access to expert assistance as well as new versions of the toolsets as they are released. Altium constantly develops the TASKING toolsets and gives developers access to new enhancements and technologies as they are integrated into the tools through the TASKING support program. In addition, all members of the TASKING support program are eligible to take advantage of other special offers across the entire Altium product range.

With this special TASKING offer, Altium continues to break down the barriers to innovation and technological advancement, and provide every electronic engineer and embedded system developer with easy access to the best possible design tools.

Availability

As part of this special offer, from now until June 30, 2002, customers will receive 12 months of ATS free with any purchase of either the TASKING C166/ST10 or the TASKING TriCore Software Development Toolset.

The TASKING C166/ST10 Software Development Toolset v7.5 is now available on MS-Windows, Sun/Solaris, HP/UX and PC/Linux and starts at \$2,650 for the C compiler and CrossView Pro simulator package. A demo version of the toolset is available from <http://www.tasking.com/C166-ST10/> or on CD-ROM from any of the Altium Sales Offices or distributors. Release notes and manual files can be downloaded from the technical support area at <http://www.tasking.com/support/C166-ST10/>.

The TASKING TriCore Software Development Toolset v1.5 is now available for PC/Windows, PC/Linux and SUN/Solaris, and starts at US\$3,690 for the compiler, assembler and linker/locator package. A demo version of the toolset is available from <http://www.tasking.com/tricore/> or on CD-ROM from any of the Altium Sales Offices or distributors. Release notes and manual files can be downloaded from the technical support area at <http://www.tasking.com/support/tricore/>.

For more product information, visit www.tasking.com or contact your local Altium Sales and Support Center.

About Altium Limited

Altium Limited (ASX: ALU), trading as Protel International Limited (ASX: PRI) prior to August 6, 2001, is a leading global developer and supplier of desktop Electronic Design Automation (EDA) and embedded software design tools for the Microsoft Windows environment.

Since the Company's foundation in 1985 and its release of the world's first Microsoft Windows-based EDA tool in 1991, Altium has continued to apply the most advanced software design methods to provide powerful, easy-to-use and affordable design software to engineers and electronics designers worldwide.

Altium's current product brands include Protel, P-CAD, TASKING, Accolade, CircuitMaker and CAMtastic!. These products offer tailored solutions covering a range of hardware and software design processes.

Altium is headquartered in Sydney, Australia, and operates a number of sales and support offices in Australia, the United States, Japan and Europe – as well as maintaining a large reseller network in all other major markets. More information about the Company and its products and services may be obtained from our website at <http://www.altium.com>.

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