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FTA2000 v2.5 Released!



FTA2000 v2.5 was released and sent out August of 2000. Version 2.5 includes many upgrades and features in addition to v2.2, such as:

• Upgraded from 16 metals to 20 metals

- Interpretation screen can now toggle between RAW tester data and PPM per Hour/Mile for all 20 metals.
- Changed interpretation screen historical information display color from blue to black for easier reading.
- Interpretation screen current sample now displays in bold to aid in easier reading of current vs. historical.
- Enabled editing of the following values directly from the interpretation screen: Viscosity@40c, Viscosity@100c, SMR, Hours/Miles on oil, Gal/Qts makeup oil, ISO code and Fluid status.
- Timed start of Mirroring operation for Remote User access, if configured in the Master configuration this will occur automatically after moving current data to history. The feature can also manually be activated from the Misc. menu under Copy data for Remote Use.
- Relocate Trend Analysis Report sequence number from top right corner of report to below and to the right of the address. This relocates it into the valid print area for older Laser Printers.
- Ability to print graphs from within the program and it doesn't require a third party print screen utility.
- Ability to view the Job site comments on the Interpretation screen.
- Changed the Comment present ICON color for easier visible detection.
- Comment screens now indicate which type comment is being viewed or modified (Customer, Equipment, Job Site). Most useful on Interpretation and Registration screen where all comments are available.
- Ability to view entire history on Unit/Compartment when interpreting.
- Restructured Trend Analysis report to accommodate 20 metals.
- Allow selecting Backup Software Install Location.



Trendy News

FTA2000 v3.0 In The Making!



FTA2000 v3.0 is now in process and due to ship out in the fourth quarter of 2000. A plethora of features were added to accomodate your needs and make v3.0 easier to use! These features include:

- System Information Button on the About Screen will bring up Microsoft's System Information program to display information on hardware resources, components, the software environment, and Internet Explorer on the system that *FTA2000* is running on.
- Multiple users can produce PDF files for emailing simultaneously.
- Ability to tag samples for re-runs from interpretations screen. This allows the interpreter to indicate which test results may be in question. This rerun information is displayed real time on the work flow monitor.
- Workflow Monitor is a real time display that helps lab staff keep track of the tasks still required for the current sample run.
- Quick Look, visually indicates the status of the last 5 samples taken on a machine.
- Bar Code Reading of pre-registered samples. This allows the customers to input their own samples and print a bar code that can be attached to the sample bottle. The result is more



efficient sample registration with fewer errors due to

hard to read sample sheets. The sample data is validated real time at the customers' site prior to the actual pre-registration, which is done over the Internet.



New Report Wizard in v3.0 allows effortless e-mailing and faxing of reports as well as

printing on any network printer in your organization. As always, MerrillSoft includes first year support, 2 custom tester interfaces, first year upgrades, installation, and training with your purchase of FTA2000. Last year MerrillSoft produced 6 upgrades for FTA2000. *Try and pass up a deal like that!*



MerrillSoft has begun working on SampleResults.com. This website allows your customers to access their oil sample history and results with their browser via the Internet. *FTA2000* is equipped to mirror the daily transactions to MerrillSofts' web server; therefore eliminating security risks to your company along with the expenses associated with maintaining a web server. *FTA2000*

v3.0 is SampleResults.com ready. SampleResults.com is due to go online in the first quarter of 2001.



ServerCopy.EXE v1.1 shipped in August 2000. This utility allows FTA2000 to automatically mirror its data to the FTA2000R application. FTA2000R is used by both internal and external customers for read only lookup of sample history

without accessing the live databases. ServerCopy.exe can be scheduled to run during your off-peak hours to take advantage of the low server utilization times.





Don't do anything until you see *FTA2000* v3.0 in action and see just what exactly it is we have to offer? Check us out at the <u>SOS</u> <u>Fluid Analysis Conference</u> <u>2000</u>. This is your chance to see an in depth presentation and

demonstration of v3.0 and ask any questions that you may have regarding FTA2000. The conference will be held in **Minneapolis**, **MN**, **Oct. 15- 19.**