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Wasatch Enhances Precision Stochastic Screens Halftone Method To Provide Superior Control for Fixed Dot Printers

February 3, 2006 – Salt Lake City, UT – Wasatch Computer Technology, LLC has released new improvements to its award winning Precision Stochastic Screens (PSS) halftone method to optimize profiling and output produced on fixed dot printers.

Wasatch PSS is a revolution in speed and image quality, and was particularly optimized for high-quality, variable-dot, printers. This release enhances the PSS halftone method for use with fixed-dot printers and dilute inks such as light cyan and light magenta. The new Fixed Dot Ink Reduction control changes the way that the Ink Reduction sliders are interpreted by the halftoning algorithm, making it possible to use very large ink reductions.

Note that this new ink reduction tool should only be used with "Fixed-Dot" devices and will produce confusing results with "Variable-Dot" printers such as those based on Epson print heads) and it will have no effect in fixed-dot printing scenarios where light inks are not used. Also note that imaging configurations that are built to use this new feature will not work with any version of Wasatch SoftRIP dated prior to the February 3, 2006 build of version 5.1.6.

Released in January 2006, version 5.1.6 added new printer drivers and imaging configurations to the SoftRIP product. Also included in this release are new remote diagnostic tools to be used in conjunction with SoftRIP's Service Data Uploader Tool to assist users in troubleshooting problems with specific files and print scenarios. Users with valid service contracts as of February 3, 2006 are eligible for free upgrade to this new engineering release of version 5.1.6 as long as they request their upgrade before the end of their service contract. Learn more about upgrading on the Wasatch website.

About Wasatch Computer Technology

Wasatch Computer Technology LLC, headquartered in Salt Lake City, is a leading developer RIP and print management solutions for wide-format digital printing, screen separations, photographic, giclee and other specialized processes in the digital printing markets.

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