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### **PREDATOR SOFTWARE ACQUIRES X\_NET DNC TECHNOLOGY**

Acquisition will provide expanded market coverage in Scandinavia

PORTLAND, ORE – November 3, 2000 – Predator Software Inc. today announced the acquisition of DNC (direct numeric control) software and shop floor technology, from X\_Net A/S, a Denmark-based developer of integrated DNC and shop floor solutions.

Under terms of the agreement, Predator acquires the entire X\_Net product line including X\_Server, X\_Client, X\_Watch, X\_Stat, X\_Graph, X\_Doc, X\_Tool, and X\_Mirror. The majority of the products will be re-released under the Predator name throughout 2001, while some applications will be rolled into future releases of current Predator applications.

In addition, X\_Net will re-organize into Predator Software A/S and will focus on expanding marketing efforts in Scandinavia, including Denmark, Finland, Sweden, and Norway. As Predator Software A/S, the company will exclusively sell and market the new expanded product offerings.

“We are very excited to join the Predator team -- it's definitely a win-win arrangement,” said Jørgen Sønder, Managing Director and Founder of X\_Net A/S. “In a single day, we have increased our development efforts ten fold, and have achieved a better and more customizable range of products. We can now focus on marketing, selling and distributing Predator’s shop floor automation software to new and existing X\_Net customers throughout Scandinavia. By combining Predator’s development efforts with X\_Net’s network of highly trained and experienced VARs, we will continue to lead the industry by providing a broader solution to our customers.”

Predator Software plans an aggressive integration of X\_Net technology within a single Predator DNC networking platform with global support for machine tool communications.

“X\_Net’s 15 years of experience with European CNC controls is an invaluable addition to Predator’s mission of automating the shop floor,” said Jim Abbassian, President and Co-Founder of Predator Software. “By expanding our international CNC compatibility and DNC networking solutions, we provide a solid foundation to further our manufacturing data collection, shop floor control and automation businesses.”

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This is the third acquisition Predator Software Inc. has completed in the last three years and continues Predator's goal for strategic expansion.

### **About X\_Net A/S**

X\_Net A/S is a privately held developer of DNC and shop floor networking solutions. Based in Copenhagen, Denmark, X\_Net A/S products are available throughout Scandinavia through a network of value-added resellers. For information: [www.pathtrace.dk](http://www.pathtrace.dk), email: [info@pathtrace.dk](mailto:info@pathtrace.dk), telephone: +45-43 69 32 00, fax: +45-43 69 10 88.

### **About Predator Software Inc.**

Predator Software Inc. is a privately held developer of CNC verification software, turnkey DNC and shop floor networking solutions, and a suite of manufacturing execution system (MES) software tools, including manufacturing data collection, electronic work instructions, and tool/gauge crib management. Based in Portland, Oregon USA, with offices in Chicago, Illinois USA; Kansas City, Kansas USA; Cambridgeshire, UK; and Barcelona, Spain, Predator Software products are available through a global network of value-added resellers. For information: [www.predator-software.com](http://www.predator-software.com), email: [info@predator-software.com](mailto:info@predator-software.com), telephone: 503-292-7151 (worldwide), fax: 503-292-7671.

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