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# STIHL CHOOSES SIGMETRIX' CETOL FOR TOLERANCE ANALYSIS Leader in Power Tools Employs CETOL 6 Sigma to Improve Quality

**MCKINNEY, Texas – September 9, 2014** – The world's top-selling chain saw brand, ANDREAS STIHL AG & Co. KG, has selected Sigmetrix' <u>CETOL 6 Sigma</u> tolerance analysis software as an integral part of its robust design and quality production initiative. This program is part of STIHL's ongoing commitment to the development and production of cost effective, reliable, powerful power tools for professional forestry and agriculture as well as for garden and landscape maintenance.

"We are proud to be a member of Sigmetrix' distributor network, and are quite pleased that STIHL will be able to achieve their design and manufacturing goals using CETOL 6 Sigma," comments INNEO CEO Helmut Haas. "We are confident that the integration of Sigmetrix' CETOL 6 Sigma into the Creo environment, along with its ability to use GD&T, will enable the engineering team to manage their tolerances and increase quality."

CETOL 6 Sigma tolerance analysis software provides product development teams with the insight required to confidently release designs to manufacturing. Precise calculation of surface sensitivities exposes the critical-to-quality dimensions in the assembly. Utilizing advanced mathematical solutions, this tolerance analysis solution accelerates optimization to achieve robust designs ready for manufacturing.

"CETOL 6 Sigma is the dominant solution for variation analysis in many industries," stated Sigmetrix President Chris Wilkes. "We're excited to be incorporated into STIHL's quality enhancement program and look forward to our involvement in the planning and manufacturing of their power tool products. We are proud to be partnering with INNEO Solutions GmbH as we assist STIHL with the integration of a tolerance analysis solution into the design process. "

For more information on CETOL  $6\sigma$  visit <u>http://www.sigmetrix.com/tolerance-analysis-software-cetol.htm.</u>

For more information on GD&T Advisor visit <a href="http://www.sigmetrix.com/gdt-software/">http://www.sigmetrix.com/gdt-software/</a>.

# **About Sigmetrix, LLC**

Sigmetrix is a global provider of comprehensive, easy-to-use software solutions that help users achieve robust designs through tolerance analysis and the correct application of GD&T. With over 20 years of research and development, Sigmetrix products eliminate the error between as designed assemblies and as produced products. For more information, visit their website at <a href="https://www.sigmetrix.com">www.sigmetrix.com</a>.

## **About INNEO Solutions GmbH**

INNEO Solutions, founded in 1984, is a leading provider of CAD/CAM, PDM/PLM, IT and project management solutions in Germany, Switzerland and the United Kingdom. INNEO has more than 270 staff members in 12 locations, and more than 3,800 customers. By combining leading NetApp storage technology with a long-term PLM expertise, we provide the proper infrastructure to meet the needs of manufacturing companies to get their products to market faster. In the Product Development area, INNEO's products include PTC Creo, PTC Mathcad and PTC Windchill. In the Project Management area, INNEO's products include Prios Foundation, a project management solution based on Microsoft SharePoint. INNEO is PTC Platinum Partner and member of PLM Elite (www.plmelite.com), NetAPP Platinum Partner, Microsoft Gold Certified and HP Preferred Partner Gold. http://www.inneo.com

## **About STIHL**

The STIHL Group develops, manufactures and distributes power tools for professional forestry and agriculture as well as for garden and landscape maintenance, the construction sector and the demanding private user. The range of garden power tools from VIKING complements the product line. Products are distributed exclusively through authorized dealers, including 34 marketing subsidiaries, about 120 importers and more than 40,000 dealers in over 160 countries. STIHL has been the world's top-selling chain saw brand since 1971. The company was founded in 1926 and is based in Waiblingen near Stuttgart. In 2013, STIHL achieved a worldwide sales volume of 2.81 billion euros with a workforce of 13,844.