

Information Handling Services announces Web access to CAPSxpert component databases

SAN FRANCISCO--(BUSINESS WIRE)--May 1, 1996--Information Handling Services, an IHS Group company, today announced two new Web products based on CADIS' innovative, new Krakatoa technology.

The first is an online version of the company's CAPSxpert Semiconductors database. The second is a combination of Krakatoa(TM) software and CAPSxpert databases designed for use by semiconductor manufacturers and distributors on their web sites. Both products are expected to be available sometime during the second half of this year.

CAPSxpert databases includes 1.8 million item from Information Handling Services. The CAPSxpert database provides companies with a large, regularly updated source of commercial, military, and high-reliability reference component data. With EDA Bridge's Data Warehouse, engineering enterprises can electronically manage intellectual property and design data, which can improve design data reuse and lower development costs.

"Krakatoa is key to our long-term strategy," said L. Christopher Meyer, IHS's executive vice president and chief information officer, "because it allows us to put our component databases onto the World Wide Web in a parametrically searchable format. This means customers can search by their choice of attributes in an intuitively searchable way, as well as other search schemes such as generic and manufacturer part number.

"They can easily find upgrades, downgrades, and pin-for-pin replacements, and once they find the appropriate part, they can go directly to an image of a datasheet -- just as if they were searching one of our CD-ROM-based products."

"In addition, we believe that many companies will want to use this combination of IHS data and Krakatoa technology on their own Intranets," said Mark Beckett, IHS's senior director of parametric products, "because it gives them the dependability and consistency of network performance, plus the platform independence, and the uniform GUI of the Internet."

IHS also will make this combination of Krakatoa technology and IHS's comprehensive and intelligent CAPSxpert databases available to semiconductor manufacturers and distributors for use on their own web sites. This will allow them to rapidly put their component information on the Web in a parametrically searchable format.

"We've delivered this information on paper, microfilm and fiche, CD-ROM and via networks," Chris Meyer said, "so this new partnership with CADIS represents another important piece of strategy -- by giving customers online access to our information."

Krakatoa is one of the first commercial applications to take full advantage of Sun Microsystems(R)' Java(TM) programming language in enterprise environments. Since Krakatoa's introduction in December 1995, the application is fast becoming an electronics industry standard for interactive information access on the Internet and corporate Intranets.

Information Handling Services is part of the international IHS Group of information companies. IHS Group companies are major international publishers of databases of information of vital interest to design engineers and chemists,

along with senior managers in the industrial, financial services, and healthcare sectors. IHS Group employs 2,000 people worldwide. More than 30% of Group sales are from outside the United States.

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