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**The TWAIN Working Group Releases the 2.1 Specification
and Atalasoft, Inc. Joins the TWAIN Board of Directors**

APTOS, CA - The TWAIN Working Group, a not-for-profit organization which provides the leading royalty-free image-capture API, today announced its release of the TWAIN Specification Version 2.1 and Data Source Manager Version 2.1. The TWAIN Working Group represents the broad interest of the imaging industry and their ongoing mission to respond to feedback and to enhance the standard to accommodate future technologies.

TWAIN 2.1 includes new features such as automatic sizing, automatic color detection, setting the default data source, automatic selection of the document feeder versus the flatbed and enhancements to improve performance. The 2.1 release also provides some enhancements to the specification to improve its clarity and to remove ambiguity. The 2.1 Specification can be downloaded from the TWAIN web site at www.twain.org.

Additionally, TWAIN is pleased to announce the addition of [Atalasoft](http://www.atalasoft.com) to the TWAIN Board of Directors. Atalasoft, headquartered in Easthampton, MA, builds software that improves how people work with documents over the web through image viewing, annotating, and processing technology. Atalasoft provides an automated, free self-certification tool called [InspectorTWAIN](http://www.atalasoft.com/InspectorTWAIN), which enables manufacturers to extensively test their TWAIN data sources and drivers against the latest version of the TWAIN specification.

“We are pleased to have Atalasoft as our newest member” said Pamela Doyle, Chair of the TWAIN Working Group and Director at Fujitsu Computer Products of America. “As hardware manufacturers use self-certification tools to test their drivers we believe we will see a significant increase in the quality of TWAIN drivers resulting in a more positive end user experience.”

“Over the years TWAIN has remained true to our goals of operating system independence, backward compatibility and to constantly evolve the standard to meet the changing needs of the industry” said Doyle. “The 2.1 release further validates that commitment. We encourage other vendors to join our ranks who are willing to help evolve the standard to benefit the industry as a whole.”

About The TWAIN Working Group

By endorsing this royalty free standard for image capture, The TWAIN Working Group hopes to enhance software development and allow cost savings to the customer. Current members of the TWAIN Working Group include Adobe Systems, AnyDoc Software, Atalasoft Inc., Avison Inc., Eastman Kodak Company, Fujitsu Computer Products of America Inc., JFL Peripheral Solutions, Hewlett Packard and Epson. More information about the TWAIN API and imaging standard can be obtained on The TWAIN Working Group's Web site at www.twain.org.

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