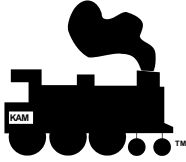


News Release



KAM Industries
2373 NW 185th Ave
Suite 416
Hillsboro, OR 97124

Contact: Matthew Katzer
(503) 291-1221
mkatzer1@kam.rain.com

KAM Ships EngineCommander* 2.0

Leading Edge Product Provides DCC support and a Standard Programming Interface

Madison, Wisconsin. July 31, 1997 – KAM today made publicly available the latest version of EngineCommander 2.0, the exciting new software for model railroad enthusiasts. The software, which is fully Digital Command Control (DCC) compatible, provides support for the leading DCC command stations from Lenz, Digitrax, Wangrow, and Northcoast Engineering.

A new feature of the product is its advanced programming interface which supports the most popular programming languages including Visual Basic*, Visual C++*, and Java.

The software is on display in the KAM booth at the National Model Railroad Convention in Madison, Wisconsin, this week. Locomotives, fitted with DCC command stations from various manufacturers, will be displayed on KAM's layout. The demo staff will highlight the versatility and speed of the computerized layout.

"Model railroad enthusiasts with an interest in programming their own customized layout, will enjoy the flexibility and expanded capabilities of the new version", said Matthew Katzer, Partner, KAM Industries. "When we designed EngineCommander, we wanted it to meet the customers needs, while providing a framework for future growth." said Mr. Katzer.

"Programmers can now write once to an interface and use multiple DCC command stations without having to rewrite their code. This is a unique advantage of KAM's product", said Carl Harcourt, a model railroad hobbyist and beta tester of the software.

EngineCommander is the first model railroad software package to support the Microsoft Distributed Common Object Module (DCOM)*, which enables multiple computers on a network to control the layout with multiple command stations, all at the same time. This feature, which has been requested by a number of model railroad clubs, allows multiple players to safely operate their engines on the track simultaneously. Internet support is also included.

The software may be purchased at the National Model Railroad Association convention's

"Country Store". The special convention price for Engine Commander is \$99. The list price will be \$139 after August 24, 1997.

More information on EngineCommander is available from the KAM website at <http://kam.rain.com>.

KAM Industries is dedicated to bringing the best hobbyist experience to the computerized model railroad layout.

Engine Commander, Computer Dispatcher, TrainTools, Train Server and [kamind](#) are registered trademarks of KAM Industries.

*** Other brands or products are trademarks or registered trademarks of their respective holders.**