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## **News Release**

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### **KAM Announces Engine Commander® 2.1**

#### **Leading Edge Product Provides DCC support and a Standard Programming Interface**

**Kansas City, MO. July 24, 1998 – KAM Industries today announced Engine Commander® 2.1. The software, which is fully Digital Command Control (DCC) compatible, provides support for the leading DCC command stations from Digitrax, Easy DCC, Lenz, Northcoast Engineering and Wangrow.**

**The software is on display in the KAM booth at the National Model Railroad Convention in Kansas City, Missouri, 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.**

**New features in this release include: simultaneous command station control by multiple users; event feedback from DCC sensors; support of a new, advanced application programming interface (API) for all programming languages; and, Digitrax\* Loconet\* certification.**

**The product's advanced programming interface supports the most popular**

programming languages including Visual Basic\*, Visual C++\*, and Java.

Engine Commander is the first model railroad software package to support the Microsoft Distributed Common Object Module (DCOM)\* format, 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 users to safely operate their engines on the track simultaneously. Internet support is also included.

The software will be available on September 1 from KAM's web site ([www.kamind.com](http://www.kamind.com)) or direct from KAM Industries at (503) 291-1221. Engine Commander 2.1 is priced at \$139. The first orders received will ship with a free Digitrax\* MS100 interface.

More information on Engine Commander is available from the KAM Industries web site at <http://www.kamind.com>. KAM Industries ([www.kamind.com](http://www.kamind.com)) is dedicated to bringing the best hobbyist experience to the computerized model railroad layout.

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