

## Star\*Key Software Releases New Version 8.5 of Print Estimating Software, Presstimator

Brea, California - October, 2022 - Star\*Key Software, creator of the estimating software program for newspapers and web offset printers, the Presstimator, has released an update to its standalone estimating application. Here are some highlights of the new features:

- **Quote Compare Analysis:** Users can apply filters and select multiple jobs/estimates from the Quote History screen to generate a report in Excel to compare all aspects (cost, selling price and production actuals) of the selected quotes. Gain a global perspective on a given customer over time, or compare jobs to see which is more profitable.
- **Batch Invoice Printing and New Tax Summary Report:** As always, you can design your invoice using the custom layout tool, and bulk invoicing is now possible with a click of a button, after marking the jobs that are ready to be invoiced on the Job History screen. In addition, to handle billing that is based on delivery locations that may have different tax rates, we have developed new invoicing options. If you opt to include details with the printed invoice, the Presstimator provides an additional report that has a breakdown of all of the costs associated with each drop zone in the job, along with the various tax rates applied to each zone. At the end of a fiscal quarter, you can print a report that summarizes the federal, state and local taxes collected from each customer and/or drop zone.
- **Dashboards for Presstimator and Scheduling:** For customers with multiple plants, the new Dashboard apps allow oversight of every shop from one location. Using the Presstimator Dashboard, you can view a plant's Shop Settings and Quotes, and you can even generate reports and perform an analysis remotely for each plant. The Scheduling Dashboard makes it easy to view and modify the calendars from each plant. View shared calendars within a single app to facilitate job scheduling across multiple plants. By using the new Dashboard tools from a remote location, you can connect and view the Presstimator and Scheduling for each plant as though you're sitting in the building.

### About the Presstimator

The Presstimator is an estimating and job-tracking software program designed for newspapers and commercial web offset printing shops. Quickly create accurate and detailed estimates with the Presstimator. Print customized customer quotes, job tickets, invoices, skid tags, shipping manifests and a variety of other reports. Once a job is completed and the production data is captured using the Production Actuals application, the Estimate vs. Actuals report can help you initiate cost studies and the Markup feature and Profit Analysis report make it possible to precisely track your bottom line. Apply multiple filters to select a set of jobs and generate Total Usage reports totaling the time and materials required. Costs and standards are stored in a central location in Shop Settings within the Presstimator database. Load your Presstimator database on a server so multiple users can use the Presstimator, share quotes, print reports, schedule jobs, track inventory and share a common set of standards; this simplifies maintenance and ensures that all of your estimates are using the most recent costs and standardizes your reporting and analysis.

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