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**Altair Engineering's PBS Professional Bundled  
with New SGI Altix XE Clusters**

*Factory-installed software delivers superior workload management solution  
for technical computing users in a variety of industries.*

**TROY**, Mich., (Oct. 5, 2006) – Altair Engineering, Inc., a leading global provider of technology and services that strengthen client innovation and decision-making, today announced that SGI will integrate Altair's PBS Professional on its new family of Linux® OS-based SGI® Altix® XE clusters powered by Dual-Core Intel® Xeon® processor 5100. Integrating PBS Professional at the factory will maximize the performance of SGI's hardware in addressing the capacity needs of a variety of key vertical markets and provide increased value to SGI's customers.

"After carefully evaluating all of the workload management solutions available, SGI determined that PBS Professional is well suited to meet the diverse needs of our broad customer base," said R. Victor Varney, vice president of marketing and product management for SGI. "As part of SGI's industry-leading end-to-end solution, easily integrated PBS Professional provides a real competitive advantage for SGI customers in managing mixed workloads."

PBS Professional is an open workload management solution for high-performance computing (HPC) environments. The software maximizes the utilization of computing resources by intelligently scheduling and managing computational workload in a number of industries. By increasing the efficiency of the hardware and software resources, PBS Professional reduces total cost of ownership and provides true business value to grid computing customers.

"SGI's decision to make PBS Professional 'standard equipment' on their Altix XE clusters is a natural progression of the excellent partnership we enjoy with SGI," said Michael Humphrey, vice president of Altair's PBS GridWorks business unit. "PBS Professional has become the preferred workload management solution for SGI Altix systems, because it allows customers to take full advantage of the unique advantages of Altix architectures."

## **SGI | Innovation for Results™**

SGI, also known as Silicon Graphics, Inc., delivers a complete range of high-performance server and storage solutions along with industry-leading professional services and support that enable its customers to overcome the challenges of complex data-intensive workflows and accelerate breakthrough discoveries, innovation and information transformation. SGI helps customers solve their computing challenges, whether it's sharing images to aid in medical research, designing and manufacturing safer and more efficient cars and airplanes, studying global climate, providing technologies for homeland security and defense, or helping enterprises manage large data. With offices worldwide, the company is headquartered in Mountain View, Calif., and can be found on the Web at [www.sgi.com](http://www.sgi.com).

## **About PBS GridWorks**

PBS GridWorks provides a suite of technologies that allows enterprise clients to maximize their ROI on computing assets through policy-based grid technology. The suite includes OpenPBS, PBS Professional, e-compute, Scali Manage and a variety of professional services. PBS GridWorks products are widely deployed within a number of industries, including manufacturing, government, academia, life sciences, energy, digital media and finance. Altair's mature partner network ensures seamless integration and ease of deployment.

## **About Altair Engineering**

Altair Engineering, Inc. strengthens client innovation and decision-making through technology that optimizes the analysis, management and visualization of business and engineering information. Privately held with more than 1,000 employees, Altair has offices throughout North America, Europe and Asia/Pacific. With a 20-year-plus track record for product design, advanced engineering software and grid computing technologies, Altair consistently delivers a competitive advantage to customers in a broad range of industries. To learn more, please visit [www.altair.com](http://www.altair.com).

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