

## Press Releases

### ***Full Disclosures<sup>SM</sup> Version 1.3 Unveiled--Software Compares Costs of Plastic Crate and Corrugated Shipping Systems***

**ROLLING MEADOWS, IL (February 14, 2001)** - The Fibre Box Association (FBA) announces that Full Disclosures<sup>SM</sup>, the powerful software that creates side-by-side comparisons of plastic crate and corrugated shipping costs, has been significantly upgraded to version 1.3.

Full Disclosure was originally developed because of a perceived high level of misinformation and incomplete cost analyses surrounding plastic crates. After inputting variables--such as the types of containers, trucks and the facilities through which the containers must pass--Full Disclosure creates a detailed model that explains why costs behave as they do. In 2000, Full Disclosure was also adapted to the metric system and the Euro for use in Europe.

Version 1.3 has a number of new features, including:

- The ability to import the final rental analysis to a linked, integrated Excel spreadsheet.
- A sensitivity analysis tool that automatically generates tables demonstrating how costs vary with critical assumptions.
- The ability to check for errors and correct reasoning.
- An on-screen help system.
- Faster model development.
- An enhanced user's manual.

These added properties allow users to supply their customers with an objective and systematic analysis of shipping container alternatives.

FBA will hold a seminar to train corrugated manufacturers in Full Disclosure version 1.3 on March 27 and 28, 2001, at the Chicago Marriott Suites O'Hare. The seminar is open to new users of Full Disclosure and those who were previously trained in version 1.1. Please call Jim Nolan at FBA for more information on either Full Disclosure or the training seminar **847-364-9600**.