



## Trimble Statement on Dennis Workman Academic Credentials

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Trimble (Nasdaq: TRMB) today issued the following statement in response to inquiries and press reports on the academic credentials of Dennis Workman. Workman serves as Trimble's Chief Technology Officer (CTO) and has been with the company since 1995.

Trimble has received inquiries relating to Workman's academic credentials and these credentials have also been the subject of several press reports. In these press reports, Trimble spokespersons commented upon the facts available at the time, and noted that Workman was pursuing the matter with MIT. Workman has been in discussions with the MIT registrar's office and with MIT Physics Department officials to try to confirm that he satisfied requirements for a Master's degree. Since Workman has completed his discussions with MIT and no further actions in this matter are contemplated, Trimble is providing the following update.

Trimble has confirmed that Workman attended MIT from 1967 to 1968 as part of a PhD program in Physics. Workman has indicated that he left the PhD program after completing a year of study and submitting a Master's thesis, with the understanding from his professor that he had performed the necessary coursework qualifying him for a Master's degree. Workman indicated that he did not retain a copy of his Master's thesis submission as it involved the submission of a lab notebook and computer printouts. Workman has further indicated that the professor involved, Dr. George Bekefi, stated that he would complete the necessary paperwork. Dr. Bekefi passed away in 1995.

MIT's registrar's office and Physics Department have indicated that available records have been searched, the Master's thesis and application for the degree have not been found, and there is no record of a grade on a Master's thesis. MIT has confirmed that Workman completed 72 units of course work while at MIT. MIT has indicated that the process for completing a degree given the available records would involve, at a minimum, formally re-enrolling at the school in order to apply for the degree, and submitting a Master's thesis. Workman does not intend to take these steps.

"I believe that I earned the Master's degree but at this point the key records aren't available and it's unlikely they will be found. In light of this, I have asked Trimble to revise all descriptions of my credentials," said Workman.

"Dennis Workman is a valued member of Trimble's executive team and has contributed substantially to Trimble's technology portfolio over the years," said Steven W. Berglund, president of Trimble. "From years of direct personal experience, I know that Dennis is a person of the highest integrity. If any mistakes were made here, I am confident that they were honest mistakes, and we consider this matter resolved."

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