



Dear Microchip Customer,

We are pleased to inform you that HI-TECH Software has joined Microchip Technology as a fully owned subsidiary! This is the natural progression of our long-standing, friendly relationship.

In order to provide the best possible products for Microchip microcontrollers and digital signal controllers, we will focus our energies exclusively on Microchip-related products. Of course, support agreements for other products will be honored for the duration of those agreements.

If you already own a HI-TECH C compiler for any of the Microchip products, you can look forward to an even higher level of performance and responsiveness. Our teams are joining forces to provide you with the very best tools for your 8-, 16- and 32-bit PIC<sup>®</sup> microcontroller and dsPIC<sup>®</sup> digital signal controller development.

If you are not yet the owner of a Microchip compiler, please stay tuned to the HI-TECH Web site for opportunities and incentives to use a HI-TECH C compiler for your next design. In the meantime, please see the below table for an at-a-glance overview of the complete Microchip C compiler portfolio.

Sincere regards,

The Microchip and HI-TECH Team

	HI-TECH Compilers			MPLAB <sup>®</sup> C Compilers	
	Free Lite (Download)	Standard	PRO	Free (Download)	Standard
PIC10/12/16 MCUs	✓	SW500005	SW500010	NA	NA
PIC18 MCUs	✓	SW500008	SW500007	✓	SW006011
PIC24 MCUs	NA	NA	NA	✓	SW006013
dsPIC <sup>®</sup> DSCs	NA	NA	NA	✓	SW006014
PIC24 MCUs/dsPIC DSCs	See Note 5	SW500009	NA	NA	SW006012
PIC32 MCUs	✓	SW500012 (NR)	SW500011	✓	SW006015

**Notes:**

1. Free versions are available for download from [www.microchip.com](http://www.microchip.com) or [www.htsoft.com](http://www.htsoft.com).
2. The HI-TECH and MPLAB C compiler Free/Lite versions do NOT expire.
3. For pricing, please consult [www.microchipdirect.com](http://www.microchipdirect.com) after March 11, 2009.
4. Special bundle, enterprise, multi-user and site licenses are also available.
5. Demo version available of HI-TECH C Compiler for PIC24 MCUs/dsPIC DSCs.

NR = Not Released