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## Fishbowl Inventory – A Mini Review

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Fishbowl Inventory is a great product that extends the abilities of Intuit's QuickBooks software, or it can be used as a standalone inventory management application. While inventory management has been their strong point since the beginning they have been a bit lacking on the manufacturing side of the house. Well, all that is about to change with the release of Fishbowl Inventory 2010 (it has a planned release date of Oct. 29).

We have been using the new version since the first beta release (they are now on release 4) and have been quite pleased. With this new release they have added a separate Manufacturing section that handles both Manufacturing Orders (MO) and a Bill of Material module. So far the only thing we have found not working to our liking is the process that it takes to close an MO short. However, this is something that is being corrected in the next beta release.

In addition to these great improvements the folks at Fishbowl have re-written the picking module and improved the overall user experience. There isn't much more we could ask for (but give us a week or two, I'm sure we'll come up with something). If you are a QuickBooks user and do a fare share of inventory management and/or manufacturing then Fishbowl Inventory 2010 is a must!

At this time the beta is only available to existing users. However you can request a demo or download a FREE trial of Fishbowl Inventory 2009 today...