

Autodesk Anounces Final Quarterly Dividend

March 11, 2005

SAN RAFAEL, Calif., March 11 /PRNewswire-FirstCall/ -- Autodesk Inc. (Nasdaq: ADSK) today announced that its Board of Directors has declared a quarterly cash dividend of \$0.015 per share on its Common Stock. This cash dividend, which is being paid for the fourth quarter of fiscal 2005, is payable April 8, 2005 to shareholders of record at the close of business on March 25, 2005. As the Company has previously announced, Autodesk will discontinue its quarterly dividend after this payment.

As of January 31, 2005, the Company had \$533 million of cash, cash equivalents and marketable securities and approximately 228 million shares of common stock outstanding. Autodesk reported net income of \$66 million, or \$0.26 per diluted share on a GAAP basis, on net revenues of \$356 million for the fourth fiscal quarter ended January 31, 2005.

About Autodesk

Autodesk, Inc. is wholly focused on ensuring that great ideas are turned into reality. With more than six million users, Autodesk is the world's leading software and services company for the building, manufacturing, infrastructure, digital media, and wireless data services fields. Autodesk's solutions help customers create, manage, and share their data and digital assets more effectively. As a result, customers turn ideas into competitive advantage by becoming more productive, streamlining project efficiency, and maximizing profits. Founded in 1982, Autodesk is headquartered in San Rafael, California. For additional information about Autodesk, please visit www.autodesk.com.

NOTE: Autodesk is a registered trademark of Autodesk, Inc., in the United States and/or other countries. All other brand names, product names, or trademarks belong to their respective holders.

Investors: Sue Pirri, sue.pirri@autodesk.com, 415-507-6467 John Clancy, john.clancy@autodesk.com 415-507-6373

Press: Kathleen O'Boyle, kathleen.oboyle@autodesk.com, 415-507-6465

SOURCE Autodesk, Inc.

03/11/2005

CONTACT: investors, Sue Pirri, +1-415-507-6467, or sue.pirri@autodesk.com, or John Clancy, +1-415-507-6373, or john.clancy@autodesk.com, or press, Kathleen O'Boyle, +1-415-507-6465, or kathleen.oboyle@autodesk.com, all of Autodesk, Inc.

Web site: http://www.autodesk.com