

Oracle Names Autodesk Recipient of 2007 Spatial Excellence Partnership Award

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Award recognizes Autodesk for leadership, innovation and partnership, in delivering geospatial data across the business enterprise

WASHINGTON, March 29 /PRNewswire-FirstCall/ -- Autodesk, Inc. (Nasdaq: ADSK) today announced that it has received Oracle's (Nasdaq: ORCL) Spatial Excellence "Partnership Award" at the 2007 Oracle Spatial User Conference in San Antonio, Texas. The Oracle Spatial Excellence Awards are given to those leading organizations that have contributed to the advancement of mainstream enterprise solutions using geospatial technology.

The award highlights the strong joint effort between Autodesk and Oracle to develop solutions that integrate Oracle's enterprise software with the open architecture and utility-rich geographic information systems (GIS) and computer-aided design (CAD) applications of Autodesk. The companies' shared vision of a powerful, geospatially enabled business infrastructure led to the development of complete solution suites that help entire organizations quickly and seamlessly share precision data across their enterprise, reaching the broadest audience of technical and non-technical users.

"Autodesk is honored to be recognized by Oracle for its Spatial Excellence Partnership Award," said Lisa Campbell, vice president, Autodesk Geospatial. "The combined Oracle and Autodesk solutions help customers easily leverage their existing data in any format and extend it across the organization to create, manage and share CAD and GIS data in a single, open and standards- based environment."

The award follows a recent announcement by the companies to form a heightened strategic alliance to offer two new joint solution offerings for federal, state and local government users:

- The Autodesk Map 3D with Oracle(R) Database 10g Bundle, for creating maps and associated data and storing them in a relational database. This solution contains Autodesk Map 3D 2007 software and Oracle Database 10g Enterprise Edition with Oracle Spatial 10g.
- The Autodesk Web Mapping with Oracle Database 10g Bundle, for sharing maps and data stored in an Oracle Database over the web. This solution contains Autodesk MapGuide Enterprise 2007, Autodesk MapGuide Studio, Autodesk Map 3D software and Oracle Database 10g Enterprise Edition with Oracle Spatial 10g.

"Given the strong technical and business alliance we share with Autodesk, recent launch of industry-specific solutions based on Oracle Database 10g and Oracle Spatial 10g, and joint customers worldwide, it was a natural fit for Autodesk to be given our Spatial Excellence Partnership Award this year," said Jim Steiner, senior director of Product Management, Oracle. "Beyond the technical synergies between Autodesk and Oracle, our relationship benefits from the tremendous user base of both companies within the commercial and government markets. Our large combined footprint offers much opportunity to build on the solid foundation of our collaboration."

In addition to the recent solution suites, Autodesk and Oracle have previously worked together to develop custom solutions for many government customers, including the Las Vegas Valley Water District. LVVWD was also honored at this year's event for their solution leveraging its Oracle Spatial database with Autodesk Topobase software -- the company's premier infrastructure design and management application.

"Government customers rely on the powerful technology that Autodesk and Oracle deliver," said Bill Goodson, Vice President, Autodesk Government Sales. "Our mutual dedication to open architectures and technology partnership deliver the baseline needed by many government agencies to fulfill their Enterprise Architecture requirements."

About Autodesk

Autodesk, Inc. is the world leader in 2D and 3D design software for the manufacturing, building and construction, and media and entertainment markets. Since its introduction of AutoCAD software in 1982, Autodesk has developed the broadest portfolio of state-of-the-art digital prototyping solutions to help customers experience their ideas before they are real. Fortune 1000 companies rely on Autodesk for the tools to visualize, simulate and analyze real-world performance early in the design process to save time and money, enhance quality and foster innovation. For additional information about Autodesk, visit http://www.autodesk.com.

About Autodesk Government

Autodesk Government is a dedicated organization within Autodesk that has served the needs of federal and state/local government agencies for more than 20 years. Autodesk Government delivers software solutions that integrate geospatial, manufacturing, design and engineering data with other critical information to reduce the time it takes to make informed decisions. In roles that include emergency response management, physical infrastructure design and protection, mission rehearsal, simulation and training, and asset tracking, Autodesk Government is a trusted partner to help agencies ensure mission success.

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