Autodesk Announces Support for Windows 7

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Industry-Leading Design, Engineering and Entertainment Software to Be Compatible with Latest Windows Operating System

SAN RAFAEL, Calif., Oct. 22 /PRNewswire-FirstCall/ -- Autodesk, Inc. (Nasdaq: ADSK), a leader in 2D and 3D design, engineering and entertainment software, has announced support for Windows 7. Effective today, Autodesk will support customers using nine products including *AutoCAD 2010*, *AutoCAD LT 2010* and the *Autodesk Inventor 2010* family of software, on Windows 7.

"Windows 7 was designed with the customer in mind," said Mark Relph, senior director for Windows Product Management at Microsoft Corp. "We are pleased to have the support of Autodesk to offer our mutual customers an easy way to do the things they want on a PC."

For the 2010 product line, Autodesk will support nine products on Windows 7. These products are *Autodesk Inventor 2010*, *Autodesk Inventor LT 2010*, *AutoCAD 2010*, *AutoCAD LT 2010*, *AutoCAD Architecture 2010*, *AutoCAD Electrical 2010*, *AutoCAD Mechanical 2010*, *AutoCAD MEP 2010* and *Autodesk Algor Simulation 2010* software. Autodesk will support Windows 7 for most of its other products as updated versions are released.

"Autodesk is committed to delivering software that meets and exceeds our customers' functionality requirements, while providing them the broadest possible choice of operating systems," said *Chris Bradshaw*, Autodesk chief marketing officer. "Autodesk and Microsoft share a goal of making the tasks our customers perform every day easier and faster. We look forward to extending support for Windows 7 across our portfolio so all our customers can benefit from the improvements in this robust new operating system."

Windows 7 offers many powerful new features and functionality that will benefit Autodesk customers, including full support for 64-bit computing, Windows search and improved performance. Multi-touch support has also become a core capability of Windows 7, and Autodesk is developing new software to take advantage of this technology. At the Windows 7 media launch event, Autodesk will demonstrate *Project Cooper*, a preview of new technology for simple drawing and drafting that has been engineered to take advantage of the multi-touch capabilities of Windows 7. The Autodesk Project Cooper Technology Preview is now available for free download at *http://www.autodesk.com/projectcooper*.

About Autodesk

Autodesk, Inc., is a world leader in 2D and *3D design*, engineering and entertainment software for the manufacturing, building and construction, and media and entertainment markets. Since its introduction of AutoCAD software in 1982, Autodesk continues to develop the broadest portfolio of state-of-the-art software to help customers experience their ideas digitally before they are built. Fortune 100 companies -- as well as the last 14 Academy Award winners for Best Visual Effects -- use Autodesk software tools to design, visualize and simulate their ideas to save time and money, enhance quality, and foster innovation for competitive advantage. For additional information about Autodesk, visit *www.autodesk.com*.

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