

## Autodesk Announces Quarterly Dividend

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SAN RAFAEL, Calif.--(BUSINESS WIRE)--Dec. 18, 2002--Autodesk, Inc. (Nasdaq: ADSK), the world's leading design software and digital content company, announced today that its Board of Directors has declared a quarterly cash dividend of \$0.03 per share on its Common Stock. The dividend is payable January 17, 2003 to shareholders of record at the close of business on January 3, 2003.

As of October 31, 2002, the Company had \$395 million in cash, cash equivalents and marketable securities and approximately 113.2 million shares of common stock outstanding. Autodesk reported a net loss of \$3.9 million, or earnings per diluted share of (\$0.03), on net revenues of \$188.7 million for the third fiscal quarter ended October 31, 2002.

## About Autodesk

Founded in 1982, Autodesk, Inc., is the world's leading design and digital media creation, management, and distribution company. The company serves a diverse portfolio of markets, including building design, geographic information systems, manufacturing, digital media, and wireless data services. By delivering tools that foster innovation and creativity, Autodesk helps customers throughout the value chain use digital design data to work better, faster, and smarter. For more information about the company, see www.autodesk.com.

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