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Autodesk Announces Agreement with Oce to Support DWF; Alliance Guarantees Accuracy and Fidelity in Large Format Printing, Significantly Simplifies and Accelerates the Design Process

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SAN FRANCISCO, Sep 10, 2003 (BUSINESS WIRE) -- Autodesk, Inc. (Nasdaq:ADSK), the world's leading design software and digital content company, today announced a first-of-its-kind agreement with Oce (Nasdaq:OCENY), a leading supplier of digital document management and delivery technology, to enable Autodesk users to accurately and easily print Autodesk DWF(TM) 6 (Design Web Format(TM)) files without the difficulties and surprises often associated with production printing, thus simplifying and accelerating the exchange of complex design information throughout the lifecycle of a project. Under this agreement, Oce will natively support DWF, Autodesk's highly compressed, view and print-ready design distribution format, within Oce's range of printing solutions for the technical document market.

"Oce and Autodesk share many customers and the inter-operability between their design creation tools and our large format devices have always been vital, but not always simple. Together with Autodesk, we are streamlining the process, enhancing our customers' productivity and giving them a new competitive edge," said Joyce Virnich, vice president of marketing for the Oce-USA, Inc. Wide Format Printing Systems business unit.

DWF is an enhanced collaboration and publishing format to help customers share data for seamless design collaboration and communication throughout project lifecycles, allowing designers, engineers, developers, and their colleagues to quickly and easily communicate design information to anyone needing it. Through this agreement, Oce will enable the printing of the DWF file format, allowing users to immediately and effectively print complex, multi-dimensional design documents.

"DWF was specifically engineered for the communication and distribution of complicated design, engineering, and mapping information. By working with Oce, we are enabling our customers to rely on DWF from creation to distribution to print-on-demand," said Tony Peach, director of Autodesk's DWF Corporate Strategy. "Oce supplies high quality, large format printing that users can depend on for sharing business critical information along the continuum of their product or project's lifecycle."

This arrangement strengthens a long-standing strategic partnership between Oce and Autodesk.

The Fast, Easy Way to View Rich Design Information

DWF files can be viewed and printed to scale with the Autodesk(R) Express Viewer, a free viewing product included with all AutoCAD(R) 2004 products and downloadable at www.autodesk.com/expressviewer. The viewer is a lightweight, high-performance application that is easily distributed to anyone on the project team, even those who do not use an AutoCAD product but need to view digital design data. For these who need mark-up capabilities, Volo(R) View 3, (www.autodesk.com/voloview), enables redline, markup, measure, view, and plot of DWF files, as well as native file formats (DWG, IPT, IAM, IDW). DWF is an open format with a published specification and developer's toolkit enabling anyone to read and write a DWF file for free.

Powerful, Easy Print Automation from a Solution Provider

Oce's technical document, multifunction printing solutions range from the departmental Oce TDS400 to the high production Oce TDS800. Oce's line of print room automation software enables users to easily build print jobs, monitor progress, and account for all printing, copying, and scanning tasks. More information on the Oce Technical Document solutions is available at www.peopleplacesprinters.com

About Oce

Oce is a leading supplier of digital document management and delivery technology. The company's solutions are based on Oce's advanced software applications that deliver documents and data over internal networks and the Internet to printing devices and archives - locally and around the world. Supporting the workflow solutions are Oce digital printers and scanners, considered the most reliable and productive in the world. Oce also offers a wide range of display graphics, consulting, and outsourcing solutions.

Netherlands-based Oce N.V. (Nasdaq:OCENY), with a workforce of more than 23,000 people and 2002 revenues of $3.2 billion, maintains research and manufacturing centers in the Netherlands, the United States, Germany, France, Belgium, the Czech Republic, and Japan. Oce's North American headquarters are located in Chicago with major business units in Chicago; New York City; Boca Raton, FL: San Jose, CA; Salt Lake City; and Coventry, RI. North American revenues were $1.3 billion for fiscal year 2002, and employment is currently 9,600. For more information about Oce, visit www.oceusa.com. Outside the U.S., consult www.oce.com.

About Autodesk

Autodesk is the world's leading design software and digital content company, offering customers progressive business solutions through powerful technology products and services. Autodesk helps customers in the building, manufacturing, infrastructure, digital media, and wireless data services fields increase the value of their digital design data and improve efficiencies across their entire project lifecycle management processes.

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