



FirstEnergy Corp. Selects Autodesk GIS

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Autodesk GIS Design Server Will Help Enable Seamless Data Integration and Comprehensive Workflow Management After FirstEnergy Merger with GPU, Inc

Autodesk, Inc (Nasdaq:ADSK), the world's leading design software and digital content company, today announced that FirstEnergy Corp. is expanding its deployment of Autodesk's Geographic Information Systems (GIS) solution to include areas in Ohio, Pennsylvania and New Jersey following a merger with GPU, Inc. FirstEnergy will be adding additional licenses of the Autodesk(R) GIS Design Server to its existing deployment.

Autodesk GIS Design Server enables GIS and corporate information to be easily stored and accessed via desktops, intranets, the Internet and wireless devices for an end-to-end solution for the entire GIS workflow. With its ability to integrate geospatial data across the enterprise and easy data storage and access, the Autodesk GIS Design Server will distribute data across the newly combined organization, from design and planning to data storage and management, reporting and analysis, and Web communication.

"Autodesk GIS solutions are in place at some of the world's largest utility companies, giving them a robust back office server and information systems platform in addition to powerful data creation and publishing," said Doug Laslo, Utility Industry Manager at Autodesk. "With the Autodesk GIS Design Server, companies can leverage their existing IT structure and resources and it provides the GIS tools needed to help companies meet their corporate and strategic goals."

About Autodesk

Founded in 1982, Autodesk, Inc., is the world's leading design software and digital content 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 create, use and share their digital design data. For more information about the company, see <http://www.autodesk.com>.

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