

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* STERLING MARCIA K (Last) (First) (Middle) 111 MCINNIS PARKWAY (Street) SAN RAFAEL CA 94903 (City) (State) (Zip)	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol AUTODESK INC [ADSK]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) Director 10% Owner <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer (give title below) Other (specify below) Sr. VP Gen Counsel, Secretary
	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 03/14/2005	

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price			
Common Stock	03/14/2005		M		30,000	A	\$11	54,610 ⁽²⁾	D	
Common Stock	03/14/2005		s ⁽³⁾		400	D	\$29.8	54,210 ⁽²⁾	D	
Common Stock	03/14/2005		s ⁽³⁾		100	D	\$29.81	54,110 ⁽²⁾	D	
Common Stock	03/14/2005		s ⁽³⁾		200	D	\$29.82	53,910 ⁽²⁾	D	
Common Stock	03/14/2005		s ⁽³⁾		600	D	\$29.83	53,310 ⁽²⁾	D	
Common Stock	03/14/2005		s ⁽³⁾		500	D	\$29.84	52,810 ⁽²⁾	D	
Common Stock	03/14/2005		s ⁽³⁾		700	D	\$29.85	52,110 ⁽²⁾	D	
Common Stock	03/14/2005		s ⁽³⁾		100	D	\$29.86	52,010 ⁽²⁾	D	
Common Stock	03/14/2005		s ⁽³⁾		800	D	\$29.87	51,210 ⁽²⁾	D	
Common Stock	03/14/2005		s ⁽³⁾		500	D	\$29.88	50,710 ⁽²⁾	D	
Common Stock	03/14/2005		s ⁽³⁾		700	D	\$29.89	50,010 ⁽²⁾	D	
Common Stock	03/14/2005		s ⁽³⁾		200	D	\$29.9	49,810 ⁽²⁾	D	
Common Stock	03/14/2005		s ⁽³⁾		300	D	\$29.91	49,510 ⁽²⁾	D	
Common Stock	03/14/2005		s ⁽³⁾		1,400	D	\$29.92	48,110 ⁽²⁾	D	
Common Stock	03/14/2005		s ⁽³⁾		400	D	\$29.93	47,710 ⁽²⁾	D	
Common Stock	03/14/2005		s ⁽³⁾		9,000	D	\$29.94	38,710 ⁽²⁾	D	
Common Stock	03/14/2005		s ⁽³⁾		3,200	D	\$29.95	35,510 ⁽²⁾	D	
Common Stock	03/14/2005		s ⁽³⁾		3,600	D	\$29.96	31,910 ⁽²⁾	D	
Common Stock	03/14/2005		s ⁽³⁾		2,200	D	\$29.97	29,710 ⁽²⁾	D	
Common Stock	03/14/2005		s ⁽³⁾		4,100	D	\$29.98	25,610 ⁽²⁾	D	
Common Stock	03/14/2005		s ⁽³⁾		1,000	D	\$29.99	24,610 ⁽²⁾	D	

Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date					

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				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares				
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$11	03/14/2005		M			30,000	03/08/2005 ⁽¹⁾	03/08/2012	Common Stock	30,000	\$0	20,912 ⁽²⁾	D	

Explanation of Responses:

1. The option vests over a 4-year period beginning on 03/08/2002 at the rate of 30,000 shares on each of the first, second and third anniversaries, and 20,912 shares on the fourth anniversary.
2. The total number of shares reported as beneficially owned includes shares that reflect the 2-for-1 stock split payable on December 20, 2004 to shareholders of record on December 6, 2004.
3. The sales reported in this Form 4 were effected pursuant to a Rule 10b5-1 trading plan adopted by the reporting person on March 14, 2005.

Nancy R. Thiel, Attorney-in-
fact for Marcia K. Sterling 03/16/2005

** Signature of Reporting Person Date

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4 (b)(v).

** Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).

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