



## **Construction Industry Solutions (COINS) Announces Support for Autodesk Architectural Desktop 2006**

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### **COINS Framing Provides an Integrated Framing Solution Aimed at the Timber Frame and Lightweight Steel Markets**

BERKSHIRE, England, March 15, 2005 /PRNewswire-FirstCall via COMTEX/ -- COINS today announced support for Autodesk(R) Architectural Desktop 2006, next generation AutoCAD(R)-based building design and documentation software from Autodesk, Inc., (Nasdaq: ADSK) the world's leading software and services company for the building, manufacturing, infrastructure, digital media and wireless data services fields. Autodesk Architectural Desktop 2006 helps architects realize their ideas by delivering flexibility in both implementation and use, the efficiency of real-world building objects, and the very best AutoCAD-based design and documentation productivity.

With Autodesk Architectural Desktop 2006, architects can start working immediately with minimal training, and implement Autodesk Architectural Desktop at their own pace with familiar working methods and user interface. Autodesk Architectural Desktop 2006 provides a platform that allows COINS to deliver a fully integrated framing solution for metric and imperial markets -- producing sophisticated timber and lightweight steel framing models for walls, floors, and roofs -- together with detailed material take-off, and full production of manufacturing drawings.

COINS Framing leverages core Autodesk Architectural Desktop 2006 functionality such as styles, display representations, tool palettes, and intelligent grips; therefore, reducing the learning curve of the solution to maximize productivity and maintain a competitive advantage. COINS has incorporated support for project standards, display themes, and smooth zooming seamlessly into their product.

"By integrating with the latest features in Autodesk Architectural Desktop 2006, COINS enables our joint customers to significantly increase their productivity," said Jay Bhatt, vice president of Autodesk's Building Solutions Division. "We are pleased to have the strong support of COINS for Autodesk Architectural Desktop 2006."

"COINS values its long-term relationship with Autodesk," says Steve Feery, chief executive officer of COINS. "We believe that the combined COINS-Autodesk solution is key to the success of the framing market by driving down design-to-manufacture time."

#### About Autodesk

Autodesk, Inc. is wholly focused on ensuring that great ideas are turned into reality. With six million users, Autodesk is the world's leading software and services company for the building, manufacturing, infrastructure, digital media and wireless data services fields. Autodesk's solutions help customers create, manage and share their digital assets more effectively. As a result, customers turn ideas into competitive advantage by becoming more productive, streamlining project efficiency, and maximizing profits.

Founded in 1982, Autodesk is headquartered in San Rafael, California. For additional information about Autodesk, please visit [www.autodesk.com](http://www.autodesk.com).

The Autodesk Developer Network (ADN) is comprised of more than 2500 technology partners around the world, that extend Autodesk solutions to meet the industry-specific needs of customers. New 2006-compatible applications from ADN partners are launched every day at: [www.autodesk.com/partnerproducts](http://www.autodesk.com/partnerproducts).

#### About Construction Industry Solutions (COINS)

Construction Industry Solutions Limited provides innovative solutions for Contractors, Specialist Contractors and House Builders from its offices in UK, Hong Kong, Kuala Lumpur, Australia and its recently opened office in Dallas, TX. The COINS solution is used by more than 12,000 people worldwide, and in the UK helps manage in excess of 20% (16 billion pounds sterling) of the construction industry's annual turnover.

Established in 1986, the business has grown to a turnover of 12m pounds sterling supplying a range of innovative products from 3D modeling and design coordination, through contract management, financial, resource and site based commercial systems, to procurement, facilities management and e-commerce.

For additional information please visit either [www.coins-global.com](http://www.coins-global.com), or the US team at [www.constructionindustry.com](http://www.constructionindustry.com).

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