



Autodesk Announces the Latest Version of Buzzsaw

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Collaborative Project Management Solution Delivers New Capabilities to Streamline Bid and Construction Management

AUTODESK UNIVERSITY, ORLANDO, Fla., Nov 30, 2005 /PRNewswire-FirstCall via COMTEX News Network/ -- Autodesk, Inc. (Nasdaq: ADSK) today announced availability of the latest version of its Autodesk Buzzsaw collaborative project management solution. This enhanced version of Buzzsaw includes new functionality such as expanded bid and construction management capabilities.

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"The Buzzsaw team understood our requirements and helped us successfully deploy the solution to over 70 business units nationwide in six months. Now we can quickly and easily solicit, track and administer bids needed to construct new homes in a much more efficient manner than before," said Kevin Tovar, VP of National Purchasing Systems at Lennar Homes. "In addition to gaining efficiencies during the bidding process, Lennar has gained the ability to better collaborate across divisions and regions which should lead to even greater savings in the long run."

Autodesk Buzzsaw helps businesses manage the plan, build and operate phases of the building lifecycle. By streamlining the management of information, Buzzsaw allows everyone involved in a project access to accurate and current information on demand. Today, leading companies around the world and in multiple industries use the Buzzsaw service. In particular, Buzzsaw has seen wide adoption in the home building, retail and hospitality industries, and is used by companies such as Pulte Homes, PETCO, and Wynn Design & Development.

"Our customers are looking for solutions to help them overcome the challenges that volume, complexity and distance place on their projects," said Amar Hanspal, vice president of Autodesk Collaboration Services division. "We remain committed to delivering to our customer's easy-to-use technology that enables them to drive efficiency across their businesses -- simply, securely and profitably."

Autodesk Buzzsaw New Features

The latest version of Autodesk Buzzsaw focuses on automating business processes for Buzzsaw customers, users and administrators. The new functionality helps customers:

- Drive Business Processes -- Increased breadth of available standard construction management forms and business processes, including submittals, ASIs (Architect's Supplemental Instructions), bulletins, transmittals, addenda and print orders.
- Accelerate the Bid Process -- A collaborative paperless bid management command center now streamlines every phase in the bidding process - from electronically distributing bid invitations and bid packages, to notifying sub-contractors and awarding contracts.
- Optimize Utilization -- New member and storage management features enable site administrators to disable inactive users, and allocate space on demand by project or client, supporting efficient member usage and distribution of their storage space.
- Customize and Configure Forms -- Expected to be available mid-December, customers will have the ability to customize existing Buzzsaw forms, or create their own, to suit their unique business needs. Additionally, customers will be able to use pre-defined workflows and then assign them to their new forms or business processes.

The new version of Buzzsaw adds Italian to supported languages, joining English, Simplified Chinese, Japanese, Korean and German. For more information on Autodesk Buzzsaw, please visit: <http://www.autodesk.com/buzzsaw> .

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