



Glotman-Simpson Wins Revit BIM Experience Award for Furthering Creative and Collaborative Efforts with Revit BIM Platform

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Autodesk recognizes firm's use of Revit Structure building information modeling software to create high-quality designs and improve collaboration

SAN RAFAEL, Calif., March 30, 2007 /PRNewswire-FirstCall via COMTEX News Network/ -- Autodesk, Inc. (Nasdaq: ADSK) today announced that it has presented a Revit BIM Experience Award to Glotman-Simpson for its use of Revit Structure building information modeling (BIM) software for structural engineers. Glotman-Simpson uses Revit Structure to collaborate with architects using Revit Architecture software to improve productivity and efficiency. The Revit BIM Experience Award is presented to firms for their innovation and excellence in implementing the Revit platform for BIM to create quality, complex designs and collaborate across the building design disciplines.

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"Using Revit Structure gives us a strategic, competitive advantage over other firms. Using this solution we are able to ensure complete, accurate designs, all the while providing our clients with a high level of service," said Geoffrey Glotman, Managing Principal for Glotman-Simpson. "We're able to provide information to clients directly from the model and quickly respond to any requests for design changes. As a result, our clients can make informed decisions, faster."

Based in Vancouver, British Columbia, Canada, Glotman-Simpson delivers structural engineering consulting services throughout Canada and in the United States. The firm has won numerous awards and completed more than 4,000 residential, commercial, industrial and institutional projects. Glotman-Simpson's commitment to leading-edge technology led to the firm's adoption of Revit Structure in 2005, and since that time Glotman-Simpson has undertaken numerous projects using the software.

One of those projects is the Grigio development in the heart of San Diego, Calif. A 43-story, 1.2 million square-foot mix of hotel, condominium, and rental units, the Grigio project will contain more residences than any other building in San Diego. Adding to the complexity of the Grigio development is the project site, which has a drastic slope causing conditions at grade to vary greatly across five floors. The size and scope of this large project required close coordination between Glotman-Simpson and the lead architect on the project, KMA Architecture & Engineering, who used Revit Architecture for the building design. Using the Revit platform for this complex project, the firms were able to coordinate many of the project's intricate elements in a single building information model.

Glotman-Simpson also recently benefited from using Revit Structure when working on The Erickson, a residential tower in British Columbia. With 17 stories and occupying over 340,000 square feet, The Erickson posed a unique engineering challenge with each floor plate rotating slightly from the previous one, causing the tower to "twist" as it rises. Revit Structure allowed Glotman-Simpson to easily coordinate the columns and slabs of each floor, enabling better visualization and quality control.

"We are pleased to present the Glotman-Simpson with the Revit BIM Experience Award. Glotman-Simpson shares Autodesk's vision that BIM is more than a solution for design and documentation -- it is a business strategy," said Jay Bhatt, vice president, Autodesk AEC Solutions. "We honor their use of BIM to create competitive advantage and their demonstration of the ways BIM is transforming the building design, engineering and construction industry."

About the Revit BIM Experience Award

The Revit BIM Experience Award celebrates building industry professionals and educators around the world who are helping to drive transformation of the building industry through building information modeling. Autodesk honors firms with this award for innovation and excellence in implementing the Revit platform for building information modeling, including Revit Architecture, Revit Structure and Revit MEP on one or more projects.

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