



Autodesk Ranked Second on Fortune's 2007 List of 'America's Most Admired Companies' in Computer Software Industry

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SAN RAFAEL, Calif., Apr 20, 2007 /PRNewswire-FirstCall via COMTEX News Network/ -- Autodesk, Inc. (Nasdaq: ADSK), the world leader in 2D and 3D design software for the manufacturing, building and construction, and media and entertainment markets, announced today that it ranked second among the top ten companies in the computer software industry on FORTUNE's 2007 list of "America's Most Admired Companies." The list and related stories appeared in the March 19 issue of FORTUNE magazine and are currently available online at www.fortune.com. Other companies in the top ten within the computer software industry include Intuit, Adobe, Microsoft, Electronic Arts, Symantec, SAP and Oracle.

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"It's an honor to be named one of FORTUNE's Most Admired Companies and we are proud to be recognized among strong players in the software industry," said Carl Bass, president and CEO, Autodesk. "Autodesk's inclusion in this distinguished group is a testament to our continued growth, our commitment to creating design solutions that enable our customers to achieve continued innovation and the talent of our employees."

The Most Admired list is the definitive report card on corporate reputations. FORTUNE's survey partners at Hay Group started with the FORTUNE 1,000 -- the 1,000 largest U.S. companies ranked by revenue -- and the top foreign ones operating in the United States. Hay sorted them by industry and selected the ten largest in each. To create the 63 industry lists, Hay asked executives, directors and analysts to rate companies in their own industry on eight criteria, from investment value to social responsibility. A company's score must rank in the top half of its industry survey to be listed.

About Autodesk

Autodesk, Inc. is the world leader in 2D and 3D design software for the manufacturing, building and construction, and media and entertainment markets. Since its introduction of AutoCAD software in 1982, Autodesk has developed the broadest portfolio of state-of-the-art digital prototyping solutions to help customers experience their ideas before they are real. Fortune 1,000 companies rely on Autodesk for the tools to visualize, simulate and analyze real-world performance early in the design process to save time and money, enhance quality and foster innovation. For additional information about Autodesk, visit <http://www.autodesk.com>.

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