



Autodesk Honors RTKL for Multi-Disciplinary Collaboration With Revit BIM Experience Award

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Revit BIM platform integral to holistic building design process

SAN RAFAEL, Calif., May 16, 2007 /PRNewswire-FirstCall via COMTEX News Network/ -- Autodesk, Inc. (Nasdaq: ADSK) today announced that RTKL has received a Revit BIM Experience Award for its use of the Revit platform for building information modeling (BIM) to facilitate multidisciplinary collaboration. RTKL uses the Revit platform for early, informed design decision making, energy analysis and close coordination between architects, engineers, builders and clients on each project. The Revit BIM Experience Award honors firms for their innovation and excellence in implementing the Revit BIM platform to create quality, complex designs and collaborate across building design disciplines.

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"Revit enables us to design better buildings by allowing for a better understanding of the building before construction begins. We use the technology as a crystal ball to see the future and to more completely understand the building and its relation to the environment," said Douglas Palladino, Principal RTKL. "RTKL is committed to being a leader in the use of BIM, so we are honored to be presented a Revit BIM Experience award for our use of the Revit platform."

A global architecture, engineering and planning firm, RTKL has over 1,000 professionals in 10 locations around the world. Founded in 1946, the firm has been repeatedly honored for its work worldwide, receiving more than 20 project and individual awards in 2006 alone. RTKL made the strategic decision to move to BIM in order to build better buildings, and implemented Revit Architecture software in 2003 followed by Revit Structure and Revit MEP software applications. Today, RTKL's Washington, D.C., and in Dallas offices are at the forefront of using BIM on large-scale projects.

RTKL is currently using Revit to design buildings for a 4.7 million square-foot campus for the U.S. Food and Drug Administration in White Oak, Md., and a 2.4 million square-foot facility for the National Geospatial Intelligence Agency in Virginia. The Revit BIM platform is helping the architects and engineers collaborate to solve complex challenges, and design better performing buildings. RTKL uses Revit Architecture to generate dynamic area analyses and solar studies as the basis for designs that yield maximum space and energy efficiency and limit solar glare. Architects and engineers are using Revit Structure to coordinate column sizes, beam sizes and locations, slab openings, duct runs and shear walls with minimal disruption due to discrepancies. RTKL also uses the Revit model to quantify materials with greater precision for more accurate cost estimation.

"RTKL continues to be a leader in their commitment to fully realizing the benefits of BIM across architecture, engineering and construction. The firm is to be commended for its use of BIM to control costs and complexity on long- running projects such as the FDA campus consolidation," said Jim Lynch, vice president of marketing, Autodesk AEC Solutions. "RTKL has set an example in the industry for their use of BIM to improve collaboration and we're proud to present them with a Revit BIM Experience award."

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 Autodesk Revit platform for building information modeling including Revit Architecture, Revit Structure and Revit MEP on one or more projects. For more information on the Revit BIM Experience award visit <http://www.autodesk.com/revitbimaward>.

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