

Autodesk Reports Second Quarter Earnings

August 17, 2000 CEO and CFO Present Results Via Webcast

SAN RAFAEL, Calif., August 17, 2000 — Autodesk, Inc. (Nasdaq: ADSK), today announced financial results for its second quarter ended July 31, 2000. For the second quarter of fiscal year 2001, Autodesk reported net revenues of \$226.3 million, compared to net revenues of \$202.9 million reported for the same quarter a year ago.

On a pro forma basis, as defined on the next page, second quarter net income was \$25.3 million or \$0.43 per share on a diluted basis, compared to \$5.7 million or \$0.09 per share for the same quarter a year ago.

Second quarter net income was \$20.8 million or \$0.35 per share on a diluted basis. This compares to net income for the previous year of \$0.4 million or \$0.01 per share.

"Our second quarter was about execution on our strategy," said Carol Bartz, Autodesk Chairman and CEO. "Our business units delivered on all fronts from shipping new products that facilitate our customers' e-business evolution to closing significant deals with customer solutions that span our product families. Through technology innovation and a focus on how our customers work, Autodesk will continue the global product and market diversification that is our strength."

Autodesk will host a webcast on the second quarter results beginning at 5:00 p.m. Eastern time at www.autodesk.com/investor. A replay of the webcast will be available until August 27, 2000.

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