



Autodesk Announces Quarterly Dividend

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SAN RAFAEL, Calif., Dec. 21 /PRNewswire/ -- Autodesk, Inc. (Nasdaq: ADSK) announced today that its Board of Directors has declared a quarterly cash dividend of \$0.06 per share on its Common Stock. The dividend is payable January 19, 2001, to shareholders of record at the close of business on January 5, 2001.

As of October 31, 2000, the Company had \$433.5 million in cash, cash equivalents, and marketable securities and approximately 56.4 million shares of Common Stock outstanding. Autodesk reported net income of \$18.5 million, or earnings per share of \$0.32 on a diluted basis, on net revenues of \$221.8 million for the third fiscal quarter ended October 31, 2000.

About Autodesk

Autodesk is the world's design and digital content creation resource, providing software and Internet portal services to help customers drive business through the power of design. One of the largest software companies in the world, Autodesk has more than 4 million customers in over 150 countries. For more information contact any Authorized Autodesk(R) Reseller, call Autodesk at 800-964-6432, or visit www.autodesk.com. Discreet(TM) product information is available at 800-869-3504 or via the Web at www.discreet.com. Autodesk shares are traded on the Nasdaq national market under the symbol ADSK.

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