



Autodesk Crisis Command and Autodesk Mobile Command Enable First Responders And Emergency Response Teams to Make Informed Decisions Quickly And Confidently

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Latest Autodesk Solutions for Emergency Response Software Components Provide

Disaster Pre-Planning, Analysis, Visualization, Command and Control Tools

SAN RAFAEL, Calif., Nov. 17 /PRNewswire-FirstCall/ -- Autodesk, Inc., has added two software components to Autodesk solutions for emergency response to provide both a tactical and strategic capability for first responders and emergency response officials. Autodesk(R) Crisis Command and Autodesk(R) Mobile Command include functionality for fire-attack preplanning, fire-flow and bomb-blast analysis, sniper/countersniper capabilities, dynamic 3D visualization, and command and control. Autodesk Crisis Command runs on the web and is intended for situations where users have web access. Autodesk Mobile Command is a stand-alone product for situations where users have no web access, such as in a vehicle at the scene of an incident. Autodesk Crisis Command and Autodesk Mobile Command are currently available in the United States.

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"Emergency response professionals now have access to crucial data and analysis at their desktops and in the field," said Chris Bradshaw, vice president of Autodesk's Infrastructure Solutions Division. "Autodesk Crisis Command and Autodesk Mobile Command combine technology and services to help emergency professionals prepare for, respond to, and manage disasters."

Both products extend the functionality of Autodesk MapGuide(R) software, Autodesk's web-enabling solution (sold separately). Autodesk MapGuide provides direct access to spatial data stored in Oracle9i(TM) Spatial format. In addition, this provides support for integrating and accessing most relational databases via OLE DB and ODBC, including SQL Server, Microsoft(R) Access, dBase, and more.

Autodesk has teamed up with world-class companies whose products integrate with or extend the capabilities of Autodesk Crisis Command and Autodesk Mobile Command:

- DESC(R) - DESC software focuses on transforming available CAD and GIS data, (building floor plans and city maps) into 2D and 3D "responder friendly" disaster planning and operations maps. For more information, go to www.descinc.com.
- Kanotech(R) -- CivicCenter Emergency Support provides you with what you need when planning for, responding to, and recovering from emergencies. This GIS solution gives you a centralized tool to capture and distribute critical information useful during each of these three emergency phases. For more information, go to www.kanotech.com.
- California CAD Solutions, Inc. -- Field Investigator from California CAD enables field crews to automate the collection of information about the condition of critical infrastructure and physical assets, including accurate geographic position data, for use in planning, response, or recovery efforts. For more information, go to www.calcad.com/ccs.
- Focus Geomatics -- WebEnforcer from Focus Geomatics performs web-based crime mapping, COMSTAT analysis, and Megan's Law enforcement for multiple jurisdictions. It supports accelerated data sharing between law enforcement, SWAT teams, firefighters, and other agencies. For more information, go to www.focus.ca/focus_security.
- Broadware Technologies provides web-enabled, enterprise wide, streaming video management, enabling geographically dispersed teams to simultaneously view, assess and act upon real-time video feeds. For more information, go to www.broadware.com.
- Kelar Corporation -- GSP from Kelar records, and reports incidents via interactive displays on web and mobile interfaces for airports, ports, parks, facilities, hazmat, borders, etc. Aerial photos, audio/video feeds, floor plans, form-fills, and GPS are incorporated in GSP. Dissemination is via web to PDAs, desktops, cell phones, etc. For more information, go to www.kelar.com.
- iMove(R) -- Spherical Video from iMove is complete 360x360-degree field-of-view digital imagery. Developed for use in government reconnaissance applications, iMove Spherical Video is the fastest way to capture comprehensive geo-referenced visual documentation. Works with all Autodesk emergency response applications. For more information, go to www.imoveinc.com.
- BIO-key International, Inc., (OTC Bulletin Board: BKYI)

- provides biometric identification technologies that control access to sensitive information. Using BIO-key technology, emergency response professionals with multi-jurisdictional credentials can be identified by their finder alone, simplifying credentialing and access control at the scene. Autodesk manages the "what" and "where" of emergencies and BIO-key manages the "who." For more information, go to www.bio-key.com.
- Floorview, LLC, software allows emergency personnel located in the field to quickly access and visualize building floor plans, aerial photographs, exterior and interior photographs, and tactical information. For more information, go to www.floorview.com.
 - Asvaco -- Assessment Software from Asvaco standardizes and communicates data collection and reporting procedures and allows for self-assessment and self-monitoring procedures. For more information, go to www.asvaco.com.

Autodesk Solutions for Emergency Response

Autodesk solutions for emergency response are comprised of the technology and services that help emergency professionals prepare for, respond to, and manage disasters. By integrating design, physical asset, and emergency response information with location, Autodesk can help users make informed decisions quickly and confidently. It employs web and mobile technology to deliver the most up-to-date information to the field when responding to a crisis.

Autodesk software tools, partner applications, and Autodesk Professional Services are designed to help emergency professionals save lives and property, as well as save money, shorten response time, and effectively manage disasters. For more details and an online demo, go to www.autodesk.com/emergency-response.

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