

Process Facilities Selects Autodesk Building Mechanical for Enhanced 3D Design Coordination

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Leading Architecture/Engineering/Construction Firm Uses Autodesk Building Mechanical to Design Complex Mechanical Building Systems for the Pharmaceutical, Biotech, and High-Purity Manufacturing Industries

Autodesk, Inc. (Nasdaq: ADSK), the world's leading design software and digital content company, today announced that Process Facilities, Inc., has selected Autodesk Building Mechanical, a model-based design solution built on top of Autodesk Architectural Desktop 3.3, to streamline their design of mechanical building systems. Process Facilities specializes in the engineering, design, and construction of facilities for the pharmaceutical, biotech, and high-purity manufacturing industries. Process Facilities selected Autodesk Building Mechanical for its model-based design approach, which offers building industry professionals the flexibility to work in 3D or 2D as a design evolves and facilitates internal coordination of projects in real time.

"Increased efficiencies allow us to spend more time coordinating between disciplines in the 3D model rather than change orders in the field," said David Eccleston, applications manager at Process Facilities.

With the use of intelligent objects, such as ducts and duct fittings that can be automatically updated to reflect design changes, Autodesk Building Mechanical helps increase engineering productivity. Additionally, the ability to check for building systems interferences enhances coordination between disciplines, resulting in fewer construction documentation errors. Process Facilities is also implementing Autodesk Building Electrical to benefit from these features in their design of electrical building systems.

"Autodesk's building systems products provide additional functionality for designing intricate mechanical and electrical building systems both efficiently and accurately," said Phil Bernstein, FAIA, vice president of Autodesk's Building Industry Division. "Working within the project model, our customers can be more productive by integrating their designs with other disciplines, yielding more complete results."

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Autodesk is demonstrating its leading building industry solutions--Autodesk Building Mechanical, Autodesk Building Electrical, Autodesk Architectural Desktop, and Autodesk VIZ 4--at the ASHRAE 2002 conference, in Booth 3469, at the Atlantic City Convention Center, from January 14-16.

About Autodesk

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