FORM 3

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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1. Name and Add FRENCH R		R	2. Date of Event Requiring Statement Month/Day/Year) 17/19/2017 3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol AUTODESK INC [ADSK]									
(Last) (First) (Middle) 111 MCINNIS PKWY				Relationship of Reporting Personal (Check all applicable) X Director		son(s) to Issuer 10% Owner		5. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)				
(Street) SAN RAFAEL	CA	94903	-		Officer (give title below)		Other (specify below)		Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			
(City)	(State)	(Zip)										
Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned												
1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)						ially Owned (Instr. 4)	3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)		4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)			
Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)												
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4) 2. Date Exercisable a Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)				ate	ad 3. Title and Amount of Securitie Underlying Derivative Security (4. Conversio or Exercis	Form:	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)		
			Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	n Title	e	Amount or Number of Shares	Price of Derivative Security	Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)			

Explanation of Responses:

Remarks:

No securities are beneficially owned.

Andy R. Sewell, Attorney in Fact for Reid R French Jr 07/21/2017

** Signature of Reporting Person Date

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 5 (b)(v).

** Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).

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The undersigned, as a Section 16 reporting person of Autodesk, Inc. (the "Company"),

hereby constitutes and appoints Pascal W. Di Fronzo, Alan Smith, Andy Sewell and Andrew Chew,

and each of them, the undersigned's true and lawful attorney-in-fact to:

1. complete and execute Form ID and Forms 3, 4 and 5 and other forms and all amendments thereto as such attorney-in-fact shall in his or her discretion determine to

be required or advisable pursuant to Section 16 of the Securities Exchange Act

1934 (as amended) and the rules and regulations promulgated thereunder, or any successor laws and regulations, as a consequence of the undersigned's ownership,

acquisition or disposition of securities of the Company; and

2. do all acts necessary in order to file such forms with the Securities and Exchange Commission, any securities exchange or national association, the Company and such other person or agency as the attorney-in-fact shall deem appropriate.

The undersigned hereby ratifies and confirms all that said attorneys-in-fact and agents shall do or cause to be done by virtue hereof. The undersigned acknowledges that the foregoing attorneys-in-fact, in serving in such capacity at the request of the undersigned, are not assuming, nor is the Company assuming, any of the undersigned's responsibilities to comply with Section 16 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (as amended).

This Power of Attorney shall remain in full force and effect until the undersigned is no longer required to file Forms 3, 4, and 5 with respect to the undersigned's holdings of and transactions in securities issued by the Company, unless earlier revoked by the undersigned in a signed writing delivered to the Company and the foregoing attorneys-in-fact.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned has caused this Power of Attorney to be executed as of this 18th day of July, 2017.

Signature: /s/ Reid R. French, Jr.

Print Name: Reid R. French, Jr.