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IMPROVED CAD FILE MANAGEMENT TO BE SHOWCASED IN PREVIEW OF LATEST DOCUMENT LOCATOR RELEASE AT AUTODESK UNIVERSITY

System utilizes RealDWG technology to extend a unified approach for managing drawings along with the documents and email communications that make up a complete record of project information.

Portland, Ore. – Nov. 24, 2008 – ColumbiaSoft will release in its next version of Document Locator an improved integration with AutoCAD that speeds the performance of CAD file management in the document management system by employing Autodesk RealDWG technology. The company will make the announcement and present a preview of the latest software version to Autodesk users at the upcoming Autodesk University conference December 2 through 5 in Las Vegas, NV.

“RealDWG is all about speed, and it has allowed us to supercharge our integration with AutoCAD by letting us directly manage CAD files and their associated xrefs and images in the document management system,” said Scott Zieg, ColumbiaSoft product manager. “We can now read and write CAD files much faster, which not only improves the user experience with Document Locator, but also has real benefits in terms of time and efficiency.”

The addition of RealDWG technology improves upon a standard Document Locator integration with AutoCAD that already offers several benefits:

- Organization and searching of CAD files is made easier by Document Locator’s ability to extract title block values and other drawing attributes and automatically profile file information for fast retrieval.
- Prior versions of CAD drawings are maintained allowing reuse and retrieval.
- Direct access to document management functionality is possible from within AutoCAD’s menus.

A unified approach to file management

Document Locator’s unique ability to combine management of CAD files within the same system used to manage project documents, emails, and virtually all other types of electronic files offers a unified approach for the organization of related project information together in one system. Associated files can be organized, shared, controlled, and retrieved from a single location, reducing the likelihood of misplaced files or files being duplicated in multiple locations. All related files can be categorized and organized in a consistent manner, with all approvals and versions recorded to the system’s document log. In addition, Document Locator promotes consistent reuse of intellectual property through the controlled management of templates.

About ColumbiaSoft Corporation

A private, Portland, Oregon-based company founded in 1998, ColumbiaSoft is a leader in enterprise-class document management solutions designed to enhance efficiency, reduce risk and improve collaboration. Information workers use ColumbiaSoft software to manage and share paper and electronic documents, e-mail, and faxes to save costs, increase productivity, and meet compliance requirements. ColumbiaSoft is a Microsoft Gold Certified Partner and an Autodesk Authorized Developer. Its products are fully integrated into popular applications such as Microsoft Windows, Office, Outlook, SharePoint, Adobe Acrobat, AutoCAD, and more. For more information, visit <http://www.documentlocator.com>.

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