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Autodesk Completes Acquisition of Alias:

FACT SHEET

On January 10, 2006, Autodesk, Inc. (NASDAQ: ADSK) completed the acquisition of Alias, Inc. a developer of 3D graphics technology, for \$197 million USD in cash. This acquisition, the second-largest in Autodesk's history, advances the company's 3D visualization and animation capabilities. Alias' products, technology and services will be integrated with Autodesk's Manufacturing Solutions and Media & Entertainment divisions and Autodesk's Consulting organization.

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Company Overview	<p>With more than seven million users, Autodesk is the world's leading software and services company for the manufacturing, infrastructure, building, media and entertainment and wireless data services fields. Autodesk solutions help customers turn their ideas into competitive advantage by becoming more productive, streamlining project efficiency and maximizing profits.</p> <p>Autodesk is a public company whose common shares are traded on the NASDAQ stock market.</p> <p>Ticker Symbol: ADSK</p>	<p>For 22 years, Alias has been a successful innovator of 3D graphics technology, bringing customers' imaginations to life. In 1995, Alias Research and Wavefront Technologies merged under SGI. In July 2003 the company changed its name to Alias. In June 2004, Alias became an independent company that was privately owned by Accel-KKR and Ontario Teachers' Pension Plan. In 2006, the company was acquired by Autodesk.</p>
Year Founded	1982	1983 as Alias Research
Company Head	Carol Bartz, president, CEO and chairman	Formerly Doug Walker, president and CEO
Annual Revenue	\$1.234 billion for fiscal 2005 (ended Jan. 31, 2005)	Approximately \$83 million for fiscal 2005 (ended June 30, 2005)
Number of Employees	Approximately 3,900 employees	Approximately 600 employees
Headquarters	San Rafael, California, USA	Alias' former headquarters in Toronto, Canada remains as a key development center for Autodesk
Markets Served	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Manufacturing Infrastructure Building Collaboration Media and Entertainment Wireless Data Services 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Automotive Visualization Industrial Design Film, Video & Broadcast Games Web & Interactive Print Publishing Education

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Customer Sampling	<u>Media and Entertainment</u> Digital Domain, Electronic Arts, Epic Games, Industrial Light & Magic, Prime Focus, Sony Pictures Imageworks, Ubisoft and Weta Digital Ltd. <u>Manufacturing</u> Belshaw Bros., Hummer, Osgood, Parker Hannifin, Tegron and Wipaire	<u>Media and Entertainment</u> Digital Domain, DreamWorks SKG, Electronic Arts, Industrial Light & Magic, Nintendo, SEGA, Sony Pictures Imageworks and Weta Digital Ltd. <u>Automotive and Design</u> BMW, Boeing, General Motors, Kodak, Mattel, Renault and Trek Bicycle
Product Info	Please visit www.autodesk.com	Please visit www.alias.com
Highlights	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • More than seven million users • Customers include 100% of Fortune 100 companies and 98% of Fortune 500 companies • Market capitalization exceeds \$9 billion • More than 2,500 third-party developers • 5th largest PC software company worldwide • Of the top 10 PC software companies, only one is older than Autodesk (Microsoft) • Last ten Academy Award winners for Best Visual Effects used Autodesk software • Majority of all Xbox console game developers use Autodesk 3ds Max software • Products available in 20 languages • Named to <i>BusinessWeek's</i> "50 Best Performers" list in 2005 and <i>Business 2.0's</i> "100 Fastest Growing Tech Companies" list in 2005 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Alias StudioTools is used by virtually every major automotive manufacturer in the world • In September 2004, Alias acquired Kaydara – a developer of 3D character animation and motion editing solutions for the entertainment industry • Alias' Maya software honored with an Oscar[®] statuette in 2003 for the award year 2002 • Alias software has been used in almost every film nominated for the Best Visual Effects Academy Award since its inception • European Car of the Year for 2003 winner, the Renault Megane II, was designed using StudioTools • In 2003, Alias was the first Canadian company to be honored with a Good Design Award by Japan's Ministry of Economy Trade and Industry • Alias' Senior Research Scientist, Jos Stam, received a Computer Graphics Achievement Award at SIGGRAPH 2005

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