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The following e-mail was sent by Autodesk, Inc. (the *Company* ) to employees of the Company on May 17, 2011.

Autodesk employees,

Earlier this month we began mailing materials for the upcoming Autodesk annual stockholder meeting to be held on Thursday, June 16, 2011. If you owned Autodesk shares (not options) on April 19, 2011, you should receive materials as part of the mailing.

This year we are continuing to take advantage of an SEC rule that allows companies to furnish their proxy materials over the Internet rather than in paper form. This rule allows us to send all of our stockholders a Notice regarding the availability of proxy materials online. Instructions on how to access the online proxy materials or how to request a paper copy of proxy materials may be found in the Notice. If you have instructed Autodesk or your brokerage firm to send Autodesk stockholder materials electronically, you will receive the Notice via an e-mail. If you have elected to receive Autodesk notices via regular mail, you will receive the Notice via regular mail.

We encourage you to review this material and cast your vote.

Regardless of whether you own shares or not, you may review Autodesk's 2011 Annual Report at <http://www.autodesk.com/investors>.

If you have any questions, please call the Autodesk Investor Line at 415-507-6705.

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