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Rational Technology Brings Autodesk AEC and BIM Technology to Idaho, Montana, Wyoming, and Eastern Washington

We are pleased to announce that effective today, Rational Technology has been named as an Autodesk Silver Partner for the Autodesk architectural, engineering, and construction (AEC) design industry.

To achieve this authorization, we had to demonstrate an exceptional level of technical expertise, support, and training. By proving our expertise in selling and supporting Autodesk civil and surveying solutions we have been authorized to offer Autodesk Revit, Autodesk Structure, MEP and the complete AEC product line. In addition, we will provide guidance and resources to customers that are looking at Building Information Modeling (BIM) strategies.

"We have benefitted from Rational Technology's expertise as our CAD reseller for many years," said Brent Daley, CAD Manager, The Land Group, Inc. "Rational Technology showed us ways to maximize these assets and ultimately we enjoyed significant savings."

"We are passionate about supporting our communities and customers to meet the challenges of an ever-changing building landscape," said Chris Gardner, principal of Rational Technology. "We are committed to representing and supporting Autodesk's products and tools that support their mission-critical objectives and our customer's goals."

Meet our AEC Team!

Micheal Kingsley, AEC Specialist
Micheal joins us from a background in engineering and construction. His experience with all phases of design, construction, operations, and building information modeling



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Promotions

Autodesk Simplified Upgrade Pricing begins March 16th.

On March 16, 2010, Autodesk will introduce Simplified Upgrade Pricing. Autodesk 2007 software will no longer be eligible for upgrades, and 2008 and 2009 software will have higher upgrade pricing. Make your move today-get the latest Autodesk software and save! **Upgrade now with Autodesk Subscription and lock in your savings.**

AutoCAD LT 2010 \$300 Rebate.

Rebate on new seats of AutoCAD LT 2010 (5 seat maximum) Offer good until Feb 28th

Rev It Up Green Renovation

Purchase a new seat or crossgrade of Revit Arch Suite or Revit MEP Suite and receive Ecotech Analysis for \$995. Offer



(BIM) brings to our customers a wealth of knowledge and history of design techniques, technologies, and principles. Micheal will be based out of our Boise office and be reached at: michealk@rtgis.com or Cell: 208-362-1767
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David Driver, Revit Technical Expert

David is a registered architect (Arizona Registration). Having worked in architectural firms since 1984, Driver has held positions of architect, project manager and computer manager. His experience covers a wide range of project types including civic, commercial as well as single and multifamily housing. In addition to on-going production work, Driver provides consulting regarding CAD standards and implementation of Autodesk Building Information Modeling products.



An Autodesk Certified Instructor since 1997, Driver teaches intensive short courses and delivers implementation services. David's continuing practice of architecture insures the classes will be relevant and targeted toward the common tasks and problems encountered in the daily office routines.

David Driver is co-author of: Designing Mechanical Systems with Autodesk Building Systems released in the spring of 2003 by Autodesk Press. Driver is also contributing editor to the CDV Revit Courseware series. David can be reached at: davidd@rtgis.com.

McGraw Hill SmartMarket Report on BIM

Who's using BIM, and where are they getting the real business value? These are the two questions we hear all the time. Like any innovation trying to gain traction, its actual business benefits are what will make it successful. And their impact on users' bottom line is what will drive adoption. There are enough people now using BIM that we can start to answer these questions.

[Read the complete report.](#)

Revit Hotfixes

Check out the following two fixes for possible issues in Revit. If you have questions or concerns, feel free to contact us for additional support.

1. [Crash when modifying walls update 2 & subscription advantage pack release.](#)
2. [Revit subscription advantage pack structural settings dialog.](#)

Autodesk University Online

good until April 18th.

Blogging

Lots of interesting blogs to check out. Here are a few:



[Between the Walls](#)

Perspectives on Autodesk tools to help improve architectural designs and boost documentation productivity.
Shaan Hurley



[Lynn Allen's Blog](#)

Staying current with AutoCAD and other Autodesk news, highlights, and events worldwide.



[BIM on the Rocks](#)

A refreshing blend of AutoCAD Civil 3D tips, industry insights, and fun. Dana Probert

Training

Rational Technology offers training on all Autodesk AEC products. [Click here to see upcoming classes.](#)

We are also in the process of getting our training courses approved for AIA CEUs.

AU 2009 Las Vegas attendees, Autodesk Subscription customers, and AU Virtual 2009 Premier attendees can access all of AU 2009 online class content. All AU Online members can access the entire library of class handouts, listen to podcasts of all classes, and watch screencasts of a selection of AU 2009 classes.

[Become an online member.](#)

Autodesk Geospatial Resource Center

Visit Autodesk's geospatial resource center and see the amount of information available on this site. It has lot of information on Autodesk's geospatial technology such as demos, white papers, customer stories etc. A really useful resource if you want to learn more about how Autodesk's geospatial technology can be applied in your business.

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