#### **DAWSON J HALLAM**

Form 4

December 23, 2004

### FORM 4

# UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

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(City)

(State)

(Zip)

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * DAWSON J HALLAM			2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol AUTODESK INC [ADSK]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer  (Check all applicable)		
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction	(Check an applicable)		
111 MCINNIS PARKWAY			(Month/Day/Year) 12/22/2004	_X_ Director 10% Owner Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)		
(Street)			4. If Amendment, Date Original	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check		
			Filed(Month/Day/Year)	Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person		
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1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. 4. Securities Acquired Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)			5. Amount of Securities Ownership Beneficially Form: Direct Owned (D) or Following Indirect (I) Reported (Instr. 4) Transaction(s)	Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
Common Stock	12/22/2004		Code V M	Amount 40,000	or (D)	Price \$ 8.875	(Instr. 3 and 4) 83,354 (1)	D	
Common Stock	12/22/2004		S	40,000	D	\$ 37.9	43,354 (1)	D	

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

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Table I Non Darivative Securities Acquired Disposed of an Papaficially Owned

Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

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1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of onDerivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisab Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year		7. Title and As Underlying Se (Instr. 3 and 4
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 8.875	12/22/2004		M	40,000 (2)	06/22/2003(3)	06/22/2010	Common Stock

# **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
reporting owner runner runners	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
DAWSON J HALLAM 111 MCINNIS PARKWAY SAN RAFAEL, CA 94903	X						

# **Signatures**

Kent Heinzman, Attorney-in-fact for J. Hallam
Dawson

12/23/2004

\*\*Signature of Reporting Person Date

## **Explanation of Responses:**

- \* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(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).
- (1) The total number of shares reported as beneficially owned includes shares that reflect the 2-for-1 stock split payable on December 20, 2004 to shareholders of record on December 6, 2004.
- (2) Includes shares issued in connection with the 2-for-1 stock split payable on December 20, 2004 pursuant to the terms of the Company's 2000 Directors' Option Plan.
- (3) The option vests over a 3-year period beginning on June 22, 2000 at the rate of 13,600 shares on the first anniversary, and 13,200 shares on the second and third anniversaries.

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