### STERLING MARCIA K

Form 4

September 27, 2005

## FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

| 1. Name and Addr<br>STERLING M |         | ng Person * | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol AUTODESK INC [ADSK] | 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to<br>Issuer  (Check all applicable)  |  |  |
|--------------------------------|---------|-------------|---|--|--|--|
| (Last)                         | (First) | (Middle)    | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction                                 |  |  |  |
|                                |         |             | (Month/Day/Year)  | Director 10% Owner   |  |  |
| 111 MCINNIS PARKWAY            |         |             | 09/26/2005  | X Officer (give title Other (specify below) Sr. VP Gen Counsel, Secretary  |  |  |
| (Street) SAN RAFAEL, CA 94903  |         |             | 4. If Amendment, Date Original                                  | 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person |  |  |
|                                |         |             | Filed(Month/Day/Year)   |  |  |  |

| (City)                               | (State)                              | Table Table   | e I - Non-D                            | erivative S   | Securi                         | ties Acqu      | ired, Disposed of  | , or Beneficiall  | y Owned   |
|--------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|---|--|---------------|--------------------------------|----------------|--|---|---|
| 1.Title of<br>Security<br>(Instr. 3) | 2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 2A. Deemed<br>Execution Date, if<br>any<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 3.<br>Transactio<br>Code<br>(Instr. 8) | (Instr. 3, 4  | sposed<br>4 and 5<br>(A)<br>or | of (D)         | 5. Amount of<br>Securities<br>Beneficially<br>Owned<br>Following<br>Reported<br>Transaction(s)<br>(Instr. 3 and 4) | 6.<br>Ownership<br>Form: Direct<br>(D) or<br>Indirect (I)<br>(Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of<br>Indirect<br>Beneficial<br>Ownership<br>(Instr. 4) |
| Common<br>Stock                      | 09/26/2005                           |   | Code V M                               | Amount 20,000 | (D)                            | Price \$ 8.725 | 36,020 <u>(1)</u>  | D   |   |
| Common<br>Stock                      | 09/26/2005                           |   | S(2)                                   | 17,500        | D                              | \$ 42.5        | 18,520 <u>(1)</u>  | D   |   |
| Common<br>Stock                      | 09/26/2005                           |   | S(2)                                   | 2,500         | D                              | \$<br>42.55    | 16,020 (1)   | D   |   |

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

| 1. Title of<br>Derivative<br>Security<br>(Instr. 3) | 2.<br>Conversion<br>or Exercise<br>Price of<br>Derivative<br>Security | 3. Transaction Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemed<br>Execution Date, if<br>any<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 4.<br>Transactio<br>Code<br>(Instr. 8) | 5. Number of orDerivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) | 6. Date Exercisable and<br>Expiration Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) |                    | 7. Title and Ar<br>Underlying Se<br>(Instr. 3 and 4) |
|---|---|---|---|--|---|--|--------------------|--|
|   |   |   |   | Code V                                 | (A) (D)   | Date Exercisable   | Expiration<br>Date | Title I  |
| Non-Qualified<br>Stock Option<br>(right to buy)     | \$ 8.725  | 09/26/2005                              |   | M                                      | 20,000  | 09/25/2005(3)  | 09/25/2013         | Common<br>Stock                                      |

# **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

STERLING MARCIA K 111 MCINNIS PARKWAY SAN RAFAEL, CA 94903

Sr. VP Gen Counsel, Secretary

## **Signatures**

Nancy R. Thiel, Attorney-in-fact for Marcia K. Sterling

09/27/2005

\*\*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) The sales reported in this Form 4 were effected pursuant to a Rule 10b5-1 trading plan adopted by the reporting person on December 14, 2004, as amended.
- (3) The option vests in four equal annual installments of 20,000 shares each beginning on September 25, 2003.
- (4) Includes shares issued in connection with the 2-for-1 stock split payable on December 20, 2004 to shareholders of record on December 6, 2004.

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