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Accubid Releases cadLive

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Accubid Systems, together with the founders of Sselect Inc., is pleased to announce the release of cadLive, the next generation CAD-based estimating solution for contractors. cadLive is fully integrated with Accubid estimating solutions—Accubid Pro, BidWinner Plus, BidWinner, and PowerBid—and features a bi-directional, real-time link between the two applications. That translates into complete data synchronization with no need to import or export takeoffs or breakdowns.

cadLive significantly reduces the time involved in estimating since you can quantify at computer speed instead of human speed, and can automatically detect and quantify material using reusable selection rules. Since cadLive is completely integrated with Accubid estimating programs, you can quickly and accurately count and measure objects in CAD drawings, and update the corresponding Accubid estimate without even having to open your Accubid estimating program.

Other Features

- Automatically counts and/or measures objects in AutoCAD drawings according to your specifications
- Quantifies any CAD drawing—no need to use specific symbols, layers, drawing methods, etc.
- Links drawing objects to items, assemblies, and designations in your Accubid material database
- Counts all occurrences of sample objects within specified areas
- Measures any field routing possible (raceway, cable, etc.) including rise/drop (can use but does not require 3D drawings)
- Assigns takeoffs to the breakdowns you choose from your Accubid estimating job
- Since cadLive is rules-based, objects can be automatically detected and quantified using simple or complex selection criteria.
- Easy reviewing or editing of takeoffs—can re-quantify as different item or assembly, or drag and drop takeoffs between breakdowns
- Counts and/or measures “hidden” components (i.e., fittings which are not drawn like sealoffs, circuitry routings which are not indicated, etc.)
- Quantified objects or routings are highlighted using the colors you specify

According to Keith Hallman, founder of Sselect, and Accubid’s Manager of CAD Products, “cadLive introduces the concept of estimating *rules*, so that a contractor can model one estimate after another to any desired degree, and instruct his/her rules to monitor the drawings in real-time for cost changes directly into the project database.”



Accubid Systems is the leading provider of estimating, billing, and change order software for mechanical, electrical, and structured cabling contractors. Accubid's estimating software solutions include Accubid Pro, BidWinner Plus, and BidWinner. Accubid products are used by over 13,500 active users in over 3,800 companies across North America. Accubid offers proven solutions for all aspects of the construction process, from estimating to purchasing to project management and billing. Accubid also offers a wide range of professional development courses and product training labs.

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