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Trimble's Building Construction Division is a leading innovator of productivity solutions for the building construction contractor. Trimble's solutions target general, concrete, mechanical, electrical, and plumbing contractors on large and small commercial and industrial jobsites.

TRIMBLE AT THE JOBSITE

Trimble is focused on delivering solutions that tightly link office-based processes and information with the field crew—including taking BIM (building information modeling) and other design data to the field for highly accurate positioning and layout of foundations and mechanical, electrical, and plumbing systems.

Trimble solutions provide a high level of process and workflow integration from the design phase through to the finished project—delivering significant improvements in productivity throughout the building-construction lifecycle. Through the recent acquisitions of Accubid and QuickPen, Trimble has extended its presence in the MEP realm, being able to deliver full suites of solutions for specific trade needs.

BIM TO FIELD

Recently, Trimble's Building Construction Division has spearheaded a "BIM to Field" initiative that will focus on helping building owners, contractors, and engineers better understand the potential of solutions that allow the transfer of BIM data to field-level systems for increased productivity and cost savings.

The first step in the initiative is the launch of the Website, www.BIMtoField.com, a central resource for case studies,

videos, whitepapers, and best practices learned from the construction industry.

The initiative is comprised of industry-leading solution providers including Accubid, Micro Application Packages Ltd. (MAP), QuickPen, Tekla, Trimble, Technical Sales Intl. (TSI), and Vela Systems. Each partner has developed unique products and solutions that provide key elements to aid in delivering BIM data to the field.

While Trimble has long had a presence in construction, recently the company has had a sharp focus on BIM for the contractor. It has shown great prudence in its strategy for bringing industry-leading product names under its brand, including QuickPen and Accubid Systems. Through its founding of the BIM to Field Alliance and participation in standards bodies, Trimble demonstrates a vision for the future of construction technology.

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BUILDING SMART

In addition to spearheading the BIM to Field alliance, Trimble has also joined the buildingSMART alliance.

The buildingSMART alliance leads technical, political, and financial support for use of advanced digital technology associated with the construction industry. Operating within the National Institute of Building Sciences, the alliance leads the development and promotion of open data standards in an effort to establish best practices around information management in the

digital age of construction.

Trimble has been accepted as a national building information modeling standards project committee member with the opportunity to help establish industry standards and processes for BIM workflows. By joining the alliance, Trimble will play a role in developing industry standards around the collection and use of construction data in support of BIM.

Through this role and many others, Trimble is continuing to be a leader in the world of BIM. Whether through new products, partnerships, or alliances, Trimble is helping the industry understand the benefits of BIM in the field.