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Better BIM Exchange Between Intergraph® Smart 3D and Tekla Structures Brings New Productivity and Higher Quality for Structural Steel

Another step forward for BIM from Tekla and Intergraph

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Tekla and Intergraph® have developed an enhanced structural data exchange link between SmartPlant® 3D and SmartMarine® 3D (collectively known as Smart 3D) and Tekla Structures that will provide better support for users' workflows and reduce modeling time on projects with higher quality. The integration capabilities will be formally launched and demonstrated at the Intergraph Technical User Forum meetings, held on June 2, 2013, in Las Vegas during HxGN LIVE, Hexagon's international user conference.

Thanks to the OPEN BIM approach to information modeling, this Building Information Model exchange, using an enhanced CIS/2 model, allows better data transfer between Smart 3D and Tekla Structures. By replacing the previous CIS/2 import/export functionality, users can now pass additional objects with extended properties and visualize improved change management functionality.

Supportive to Tekla's multi-material functionality, the new exchange works with structural steel and concrete objects together and supports the transfer of traffic items like stairs, handrails and ladders.

Intergraph and Tekla have been working very closely to strengthen the partnership in order to improve the workflow within our mutual client's projects. A reliable data connection between industry software solutions benefits clients by reducing manual rework and reducing errors.

Patrick Holcomb, Intergraph Process, Power & MarineExecutive Vice President, said, "Our clients want interoperability with tangible benefits for their work processes. We are pleased to work with partners like Tekla to enable high-value BIM exchanges for our mutual clients."

This enhanced BIM exchange will be available to all users after the Intergraph Technical User Forum meetings, held on Sunday, June 2, at the MGM Grand, Las Vegas, a day before the main HxGN Live (Hexagon's Global Network) event. Participants in this session have the opportunity to discuss the enhancements with Intergraph and Tekla product managers prior to the exchange release and receive information on the phased approach for future enhancements.

About Tekla
With its software, Tekla drives the evolution of digital information models and thus provides more and more competitive advantage to the construction, infrastructure and energy industries. The company was established already in 1966, and today it has customers in over 100 countries, offices in 15 countries, and a global partner network. Tekla became part of Trimble Group in 2011. www.tekla.com.

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About Intergraph
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