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## **Tekla Structures Launches Integration with BuildSite Construction Product Database**

ATLANTA, GA –Tekla Corporation has integrated its Building Information Modeling (BIM) solution, Tekla Structures, with BuildSite’s database of product, technical, and procurement information for construction. In addition to direct database access and embedded search, the Tekla Structures / BuildSite integration will allow users to associate product documents and submittal links from BuildSite with 3D building elements.

“From its early days, Building Information Modeling has incorporated the idea of a materials database talking to a design, detailing and construction database,” said Ned Trainor, President of BuildSite. “Tekla has now accomplished it. Access to the products, specifications, and supplier locations in BuildSite’s database should benefit Tekla users throughout a project, from conceptual design to facilities management. If you need product data, it’s at your fingertips.”

Andy Dickey, Business Manager for Tekla North America’s Contractor Group added, “Tekla Structures allows design, detailing and construction teams to effectively collaborate at every stage of the building lifecycle. Now our users can easily access product data and integrate it into the Building Information Model for the project. This is another step forward for BIM and for Integrated Project Delivery (IPD).”

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### **About Tekla Structures**

Tekla's technology creates new business opportunities for the construction industry. The most advanced building information modeling (BIM) solution on the market includes an accurate, dynamic and data-rich 3D environment. The highly detailed as-built digital structural models generated with Tekla Structures software enable effective visualization and management of the project. Effectively integrating model- and non-model-based software solutions allows using the building information model in collaborative workflows. Tekla Structures users can streamline the design, fabrication, and construction processes, ultimately ensuring the highest level of constructability in project delivery. Tekla Structures encompasses specialized configurations for structural engineers, steel detailers and fabricators, concrete detailers and manufacturers, and construction companies. More information at [www.teklastructures.com](http://www.teklastructures.com).

### **About BuildSite**

BuildSite, through [www.buildsite.com](http://www.buildsite.com), provides an online product, technical, procurement, and green product database to the worldwide construction industry. The BuildSite database consists of over 20,000 products from more than 250 manufacturers, along with over 600 supplier locations. BuildSite also provides software tools for construction submittals, allowing data from the supply chain to flow into project management and design. BuildSite Green Data, a next generation database of environmental and LEED® data for construction products, will include online submittal templates tied to the requirements of the US Green Building Council.

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