Autodesk Plant Solutions
ISO 15926 Frequently Asked Questions

1. **What is ISO 15926?**

ISO 15926 is an emerging set of definitions and standards for the electronic sharing, exchange and integration of plant design and lifecycle data. The goal of the standard is to streamline the process of sharing plant data across systems and companies and to reduce opportunities for rekeying errors. Ownership and oversight of the standard is the responsibility of the POSC Caesar Association (www.posccaesar.org) organization and FIATECH (www.fiatech.org) provides meeting venues and workgroup administration.

To learn more the POSC Caesar Association has published a nice ISO 15926 primer here (https://www.posccaesar.org/wiki/ISO15926Primer)

2. **Does Autodesk Plant Solutions support ISO 15926?**

Autodesk supports cross-vender data exchange, is a member of FIATECH, and supports the work of the ISO 15926 committee. We participate in ISO 15926 meetings and conferences but are not currently engaged in any technical working groups.

Autodesk products are designed to work out-of-the-box with a minimum of integration or customization. It is our belief that ISO 15926 is not yet defined to a level of detail or rigor to support this goal. As the standard matures Autodesk will work with our customers and partners to determine when and if to implement ISO 15926 in our products.
3. **Does AutoCAD P&ID 2010 implement ISO 15926 today?**

AutoCAD P&ID 2010 does not implement ISO15926 but is ISO 15926 ready. AutoCAD P&ID 2010 has a data architecture and XML-based application programming interface (API) that supports the basic tenets of ISO 15926 and allows for straightforward integration with ISO 15926 systems.

4. **What do I need to do to make AutoCAD P&ID 2010 compatible with my ISO 15926 applications?**

AutoCAD P&ID 2010 has an open and extensible API that supports straightforward mapping to ISO 15926. Autodesk Consulting or other system integrators with knowledge of XML and ISO 15926 will be able to implement an interface to meet your interoperability requirements.

5. **Does AutoCAD Plant 3D 2010 implement ISO 15926 today?**

AutoCAD Plant 3D 2010 does not implement ISO15926 nor provide ISO 15926 ready APIs. AutoCAD Plant 3D 2011 will provide an ISO 15926 ready API.

6. **What do I need to do to make AutoCAD Plant 3D 2010 compatible with my ISO 15926 applications?**

Today there is no way to integrate AutoCAD Plant 3D 2010 with your ISO 15926 applications. AutoCAD Plant 3D 2011 will provide an ISO 15926 ready API that allows for straightforward integration with ISO 15926 systems. At this point, Autodesk Consulting or other system integrators with knowledge of XML and ISO 15926 will be able to implement an interface to meet your interoperability requirements.

7. **Does Autodesk have plans to support ISO 15926 “out of the box” in future releases?**

When and if ISO 15926 develops the rigor and compliance testing to enable vendor-to-vendor interoperability Autodesk will implement ISO 15926 in its plant design products.