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VISIONREZ[™] 2017 FOR REVIT[®] AND NAVISWORKS[®] PLUG-INS ARE NOW AVAILABLE

Worldwide Standard Architectural, Collaboration and Quantification Tools for 3D BIM-Driven Residential Projects Benefit Building Design Professionals

VERNON HILLS, III., July 6, 2016 – Alpine, a leading North American supplier of products and services for the architectural drafting, building and component manufacturing industry, has announced the release of VisionREZ[™] 2017 for Revit[®] and Navisworks[®]. This is the fourth release of a VisionREZ software product designed specifically for the Revit platform, and the second release for the Navisworks platform, based on the award-winning VisionREZ products for AutoCAD[®] Architecture (ACA). Three individual modules – *Design Options, Architecture* and *Structure* – encompass the Revit release, along with a plug-in for Navisworks.

Significant development of the VisionREZ *Design Options* module has generated gamechanging benefits for residential production builders. This module now has the ability to import builder design option data directly from a .csv file that can save at least two hours of manual user input per project. In addition, new annotation tools eliminate redundant work for designers generating either a Master Planset or Lot (Address) Specific Planset.

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New features and enhancements to the VisionREZ *Architecture* module give design professionals more flexibility in designing and editing complex residential roof styles, including Dutch gables. The new Box/Bay Window Tool quickly adds a pop-out box, bay and bow window to any existing wall in just a few seconds.

The VisionREZ *Structure* module offers new productivity tools that harness the power of Revit groups to assist designers working on multi-unit-type projects, such as multi-family residences, hotels, assisted living facilities, etc. Features include the ability to mirror and rotate a unit group based on a user-defined insertion point.

Finally, the automated VisionREZ Navisworks Plugin is now available for Navisworks 2017, providing a faster and more efficient way to create material takeoffs using the Naviswork Quantity Takeoff (QTO) system.

"The 2017 VisionREZ *Design Options* module has been enhanced to better manage the geometry and annotations for a project's options," said Cathrine Hill, VisionREZ architect/BIM application engineer. "This provides the means to maintain construction documentation in a single project with multiple options, as well as generate consistent and accurate lot specific models and documents. The ability to import option data from an external file has increased productivity time, as well as the consistency of option data across multiple projects. All of the VisionREZ *Design Options* tools can now be used in any Revit template or project."

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VisionREZ software enables users to streamline work processes, deliver more accurate documents and produce higher-quality designs. Schedules populate bill of material listings to aid cost estimates, while 3D models are shared collaboratively with manufacturing solutions to increase efficiency and reduce waste. From concept to production, VisionREZ is designed to help users work the way they build. For additional information, visit <u>visionrez.com</u>.

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