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Power Surfacing for SolidWorks from nPower Software
Selected Editor's Pick of the Week by Desktop Engineering

Plug-in's ability to make organic shapes that seem created by SolidWorks impresses Editor at Large.

DUBLIN, NEW HAMPSHIRE, USA — *Desktop Engineering* (deskeng.com) announces that Power Surfacing, an industrial design add-in product for SolidWorks 3D MCAD software from nPower Software (San Diego, CA), a division of IntegrityWare, Inc., is its Editor's Pick of the Week for February 20, 2013.

"Today's Pick of the Week sounds like a good one for all you old stagers out beating on SolidWorks mechanical CAD, especially those of you trying to make it work like it's an industrial design system or wish that it could be one," says Anthony J. Lockwood, editor at large for *Desktop Engineering*. "Power Surfacing [is] in effect is an industrial design toolset for SolidWorks.

"The gist of Power Surfacing is that it gives you the tools to create complex, freeform organic shapes [with smooth surfaces] within the SolidWorks parametric design environment," says Lockwood. "The neat of it is that connects Sub-D (subdivision surface) surface modeling with NURBS-based CAD modeling and your parts with Sub-D surfaces act as if you made them in SolidWorks."

"Using the strengths of both modeling technologies in your design and revision processes also means you reap a bunch of new productivity as well as additional design options," explains Lockwood. "For example, making 'Class A' surfaces with tangent and curvature continuity becomes less arduous, and you can make artsy (or not) changes to surface features without wondering if your design will rebuild right or guessing how long it will take you to do it. For that matter, you may not need a separate application for ID any more."

Read the full *Editor's Pick of the Week* at "Freeform Surfacing for SolidWorks."

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