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Quick to Bid

Time is money. When bids take longer to create, the opportunity to land the job may be missed. Quality, accurate bidding, and estimating software helps you stay ahead of the competition.

A. Easy-to-Use Estimator

ProEst Estimating 2010 combines an intuitive user interface, easy-to-use screens, and estimations into one program. Analyze estimates using the program to produce quick, accurate, and competitive bids. With a built-in concrete materials database, you can account for slabs, piers, and footings in the bid. The program features a standardized Microsoft Office 2007 look and feel to increase efficiency. Construction Management Software. 800-255-7407. www.proest.com.

B. Bid DOT Jobs Faster

Make the bidding job easier by automating the process with HeavyBid. Easily make last-minute changes on bid day and seamlessly integrate data with other software, including Microsoft Excel. Save time and money by importing DOT job specifications and linking DOT codes with specific activities and resources. Choose from a number of bid proposal formats to meet your requirements. HCSS. 800-683-3196. www.hcss.com.

C. Speed Up Estimating

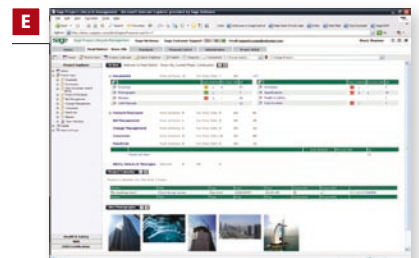
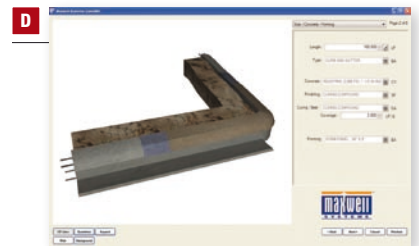
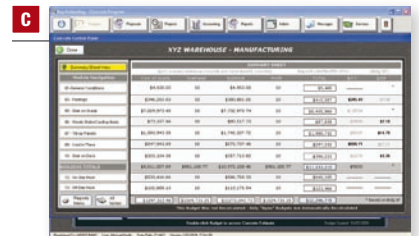
KeyEst-Trade Specific Estimating Software uses an interactive database for a complete and concise bid. Use cost codes to accurately budget and price a job, and quickly distribute project reports in a PDF. The program includes an intra-user messaging system, automated estimating, rebar calculator, document navigator and viewer, database encryption and login protection, and database backup. The Project Management System handles change orders and job tracking. RCM Software LLC. 877-399-4539. www.keyestimating.com.

D. All-in-One Tool

QuestMX 8.6 combines the company's Estimator, Digital Takeoff, and Earthwork programs into one system. Price, order, and deliver materials quickly with Estimator. Identify amounts and types of materials needed for a project, and eliminate costly inaccuracies with Digital Takeoff. Earthwork helps sitework contractors measure cut-and-fill quantities to calculate grade. The Bid Day and Proposals component analyzes current bids and profit margins. Maxwell Systems Inc. 800-688-8226. www.maxwellsystems.com.

E. Collaborate Online 24/7

This Web-based collaborative project management service platform simplifies workflow with accessible information and documentation. Project Lifecycle Management creates a 24/7 online workspace that facilitates team collaboration in real time. Share drawings and documents in multiple locations across the design/construction phases. Data is hosted on a secure network and user activity is tracked with a time-and-date stamp. Sage North America. 866-996-7246. www.sagenorthamerica.com. **CC**



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