

**CASE STUDY****03****[PROJECT: Ka'anapali Ocean Resort North] Group Builders, Inc.**

Group Builders gains the “benefit of time,” and positively impacts profits using On-Screen Takeoff® and Quick Bid

Large construction projects impose complexity

Group Builders, Inc. of Honolulu, Hawaii, was named the largest drywall and plastering firm in the state in 2006. The tenth largest general contractor in Hawaii, Group Builders is fully capable of tackling any project, but focuses primarily on specialty and finishing work.

For the biggest project in its 25-year history work on four six-story buildings at the Ka'anapali Ocean Resort North on Maui, Group Builders benefitted by using On Center Software's On-Screen Takeoff and Quick Bid applications. The bulk of the scopes for the resort were light-gauge metal framing for interiors and exteriors, gypsum board with level four taping finish, veneer plaster on exposed interior concrete walls and ceilings, spray-on fireproofing and DEFS/EFS (direct applied).

Group Builders was given less than two weeks to submit its bid, including the breakdown of all required costs – a task that company estimator Eugene Sacdalan believes would have been "impossible without On Center Software." He said, "With On Center Software, providing the budget hours per section, per trade and per activity was just the click of a mouse. The same was true for the Schedule of Values for billing purposes. Material buyout and the stocking list were also just the click of a mouse."



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Remembering the days before he began using On-Screen Takeoff and Quick Bid, Eugene adds, "I still recall when I estimated a 46-story high rise; it took me about three to four weeks by manual takeoff alone. And now, on average, I can submit my bid in a week. I think this is the biggest benefit our company has gained from using On Center Software: time."

On Center Software's Quick Bid application also positively impacts profits by providing a "detailed budget down to the minute or cent of every activity," according to Eugene. This allows Group Builder's project manager to set and enforce the budget goals of the different trades within the company. Project Manager, Antonio "Noel" Santos, and Project Engineer, Emil Bete, both use Quick Bid and On-Screen Takeoff to prepare buyout lists, material stocking lists and to price all field generated change orders. Additionally, weekly reporting becomes easier and more efficient.

Takeoff and estimating made easy

By reducing the amount of concentration needed for sorting, the team was able to focus more on the quantities and constructibility of the projects, saving time and ultimately money.

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More about the On Center ProfitBuilding Suite

The On Center Software ProfitBuilding Suite of products makes it possible to manage all phases of a job from the initial bid stage to completion. Estimators can perform takeoffs directly on their computer screens with On-Screen Takeoff®, create accurate bids with Quick Bid, and track a project's status and budget with Digital Production Control™. The On Center Software ProfitBuilding Suite is your single-source solution for all of your estimating, bidding, and project tracking needs.

On-Screen Takeoff will help

- Increase accuracy
- Reduce risk
- Bid more in less time
- Eliminate costly mistakes

More about On Center Software

Located in The Woodlands, TX, On Center Software, Inc. is a privately held company that was formed in 1988 by construction professionals. Their mission is to transform the estimating experience of construction industry professionals by developing and supporting innovative, practical, comprehensive software solutions that propel winning bids into profitable projects. On Center Software combines extensive industry knowledge, a solid understanding of the estimating process, and state-of-the-art technology to turn complicated bidding data into meaningful information.

