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Municipal Software enters strategic alliance with PresiNET

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Municipal Software Corporation has entered into a strategic alliance with PresiNET Systems, to provide expert Internet Management solutions including Demilitarized Zone (DMZ) services which incorporate managed Internet firewall security protection for clients using Municipal Software's new CityView 8.0 Web based local government automation software.

The growing trend towards E-government, using the universal accessibility and cost-efficiencies of the Internet allows local governments to leverage significant improvements in convenience for users of web-based government resources.

Municipal Software Corporation unveiled CityView 8.0, the first release of its innovative new 8.NET product line at their annual user conference in Boston on November 29, 2001. CityView 8.NET combines the power of Microsoft's .NET Web-based technologies, ESRI's ArcIMS, and CityView's award-winning business process automation and management capabilities into a convenient and easy-to-use application for local government. This significant new release is the first truly Web based local government automation software on the market. It allows users of all types (municipal, agencies, contractors and the public) to access relevant business processes over any Internet connection – E-government made easy!

Internet-enabling government resources is demand-driven by the consumers of government services, however, effectively managing the dynamic aspects of potential security issues can become a daunting task for many resource-stretched Information Systems departments. Organizations are now starting to take advantage of the co-management benefits provided by utilizing PresiNET's Internet and Security Management expertise.

Public access servers (such as web servers) placed outside an organization's internal network are essentially unprotected. If they are placed within the internal network, the rest of the network becomes exposed to potential intrusions. The implementation of a managed Demilitarized Zone (DMZ) adds 24x7 monitored "Firewall" security to the public services (i.e., web servers) and internal network, while isolating the internal network from potential intrusions through those public services. PresiNET's DMZ service provides this protection as a turnkey managed solution, securely and affordably – including the pre-configured hardware and software.

"As more and more jurisdictions seek to allow external access to information and business processes over the Internet, they will start to understand how beneficial PresiNET's services really are from two main perspectives. First of all there is the obvious security and protection from Internet-based attacks, which is absolutely necessary. More significantly, the protection is managed. The system is monitored and kept current, with full reporting available. This is a "must have" for every municipality doing business over the Web. There's no use having any sort of Firewall or DMZ service unless it is installed properly and managed on an ongoing basis." - Rob Bennett, President, Municipal Software

"We are very pleased to be working with the team at Municipal Software to support the delivery of their new 8.NET product line to local governments across North America. The synergies between our two organizations have been obvious for the last couple of years and Municipal Software's new web-based initiatives are the catalyst to facilitate this alliance." - Dean Pothorin, CEO, PresiNET Systems

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About Municipal Software Corporation

Municipal Software Corporation (www.MunicipalSoftware.com) is a provider of a fully integrated suite of software products that assist municipal administrators and managers with scalable technology solutions for increasing municipal government productivity in order to service citizens and communities more efficiently and effectively. CityView® provides forms automation software combining forms and reports with mapping, Web enablement, and database management, and is used to automate any local government process. CityView Xpress is designed specifically for out-of-the-box departmental management and comes complete with ready-to-use forms and reports for a variety of municipal functions.

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About PresiNET Systems Corp.

PresiNET Systems Corp. (www.PresiNET.com) offers Internet Management Services, which include Managed Internet Firewall Security, Virtual Private Networking (VPN), Internet Management Reporting, and Internet & Network Systems Redundancy services.

Under the Internet Management umbrella, PresiNET's services are beneficial to organizations that utilize the Internet for their day-to-day business operations. PresiNET can make your organization more effective and efficient by protecting your information capital from the Internet, optimizing how the Internet is used, and facilitating wide area network communications.

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