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Northgate gains e-GIF accreditation

Northgate Information Solutions, the UK's leading provider of community justice technology solutions, today announced that they are one of the first organisations, private or public, to gain e-GIF (e-Government Interoperability Framework) accreditation. e-GIF sets out the technical policies and standards for all systems used to deliver services electronically.

The e-GIF Accreditation Authority has been recently established by the Cabinet Office e-Government Unit to provide assurance that suppliers (both internal public sector departments and external suppliers) have the capability to deliver e-GIF compliant solutions and that the people involved have the appropriate skills. While the Authority is a public sector initiative, it is supported by industry and a number of sponsors have come forward to help in its establishment.

Dave Meaden, Managing Director of Northgate Public Services today said:

"We are delighted to be in the first wave of e-GIF accredited organisations. This is an important initiative in the process of raising standards across the industry. One that focuses on employees' skills as much as technical compliance. We look forward to seeing the benefits in practice through better electronic service delivery to citizens."