



AT&T Government Solutions, Appriss Inc. Teaming Up to Create National Repository of Available Detention Space

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VIENNA, Va., May 26, 2004 /PRNewswire via COMTEX/ -- When the federal government is looking for available prison bed space, it is using the latest web-based technology to find it.

The Office of Federal Detention Trustee (OFDT) has turned to AT&T Government Solutions, of Vienna, Va., and Appriss Inc., of Louisville, Ky., to provide a solution to the growing problem of finding available beds for federal detainees. The two companies have launched a national web-based repository allowing state and local governments to electronically post the availability of detention space.

OFDT is using the repository to identify state, local, and private detention space available for federal use, establish a centralized database of available detention locations, and quickly identify where detainees can be housed in a particular geographic area.

The new system provides OFDT users access to a database of non-federal facilities. Users will be able to search the database by location and retrieve information entered about each facility.

"The Appriss Data Network is connected to more than 65 percent of the nation's county and state prison beds," said Mike Davis, Appriss president. "With this kind of data, we can automatically update the OFDT on offender bed space on a real-time basis."

AT&T Government Solutions and Appriss also partnered in July 2000 on the federal Victim Notification System (VNS). Currently, VNS notifies victims on the custody and court status of federal offenders under the jurisdiction of the FBI, Federal Bureau of Prisons and U.S. Attorneys.

"We continue to find new and innovative ways of helping federal authorities provide timely and cost-saving services to the public," said Lou Addeo, president of AT&T Government Solutions. "Our professional services skills, combined with Appriss technology, are an effective combination."

Headquartered in Vienna, Va., AT&T Government Solutions is a long-standing, trusted source of information technology solutions for the federal government, integrating unmatched network resources and professional service expertise with innovative technologies from AT&T Labs and industry-leading partners. Best known for network leadership in voice, data, video and managed services, AT&T Government Solutions is a proven solutions integrator, with professional service expertise in areas such as enterprise architecture, business transformation, knowledge management, training, program management, systems engineering and security.

About Appriss

Appriss provides innovative technology solutions that help governments serve and protect their citizens. Its flagship product, VINE(R) (Victim Information & Notification Everyday,) allows crime victims and the general public to obtain offender custody or court status over the telephone or the Internet in more than 1,400 counties in 36 states and two Canadian provinces. Partnering with a team led by AT&T Government Solutions, Appriss provides automated notification services to victims of Federal crimes through the U.S. Department of Justice. Other innovative products and services include JusticeXchange(TM), an Integrated Criminal Justice application, and Call2Court(TM), a suite of products that improve court efficiency.

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