



APD Communications Launches Powerful Multi-Platform Police Mobility Solution

Market-leading police mobile data solution enhances officer capabilities and streamlines operations

23rd April 2008 - APD Communications today launches an enhanced version of the POLARIS solution. The system provides police officers with unparalleled access to information, extending station-bound systems to frontline officers, increasing accuracy of data collection and reducing response times in the field using a range of handheld and in-vehicle devices.

The enhanced version of POLARIS is available on an array of devices, each providing a range of unique applications including:

- In-vehicle touchscreen Mobile Data Terminals (MDTs): Secure distribution of high risk/high value information; real-time checks of vehicle and insurance documentation; reduced response times; easier multi-agency co-operation
- Personal Digital Assistants (PDAs): Real-time case updates; electronic collection of people, incident and property information with portable printers allow the issuing on the spot of traffic and other tickets
- Dockable Tablet PCs: Utilising the flexibility of handheld computers with the functionality and large screen of the in-vehicle MDTs
- Electronic Portable Travel Document Reader: Accurate document checking; individual identification, immigration control, counter terrorism and detection of fraudulent documentation

The enhanced version of POLARIS builds on the existing product, which is currently deployed in over a 2,000 vehicles in UK Police Forces. The software integrates with a wide range of systems, in-house intelligence, Command and Control systems and national databases, through one simple application. Enhanced POLARIS includes pre-defined forms (such as Person Stop, Vehicular Accident etc). These have been developed using APD's forms editor designer tool, to map police force processes and ensure compliance with NPIA and Home Office guidelines.

"POLARIS will help drive improvements in intelligence-led policing and provide greater officer self-sufficiency. POLARIS provides officers with the flexibility to use a device which best suits their requirements, helping to improve policing accuracy, while reducing the need to travel back to the station to finish paperwork," said Christine Stevens, Marketing Director, APD Communications.

POLARIS is carrier independent, supporting a range of networks including GPRS, 3G, Mobitex and TETRA Airwave; providing officers in the field with the flexibility to choose the network(s) that best suit their requirement in terms of security, bandwidth and performance level. POLARIS is compatible with APD's resource location products including: Co-Ordinator (resource location management software) and GPS-enabled devices such as TETRA radios and INCA 2.

APD's customers include 42 of the 53 police forces in the United Kingdom. The company was selected by RealBusiness/O2 as one of the top 25 'Mobile Companies To Watch in 2007'.

About APD Communications

With over 24 years of experience APD is a global leader in mobile information, resource location/tracking and control room solutions. APD specialises in delivering mission-critical and business-critical solutions to organisations within the public sector, transport, security, logistics and the emergency services. APD's products are used in over 90 client sites in the United Kingdom, Scandinavia, Eastern Europe and the Middle East. Customers including 80 per cent of police forces in the United Kingdom (including The Metropolitan Police Service, Merseyside Police), the Abu Dhabi Police force, Newcastle City Council, the Romanian Government and leading organisations such as Balfour Beatty Infrastructure Services, May

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