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## **California Administrative Office of the Courts Selects Crossflo Systems to Support its Criminal Justice Data Sharing Project**

### *Crossflo Will Provide Comprehensive NIEM-Conforming IEPD Infrastructure*

**SAN DIEGO – December 17, 2007** - Crossflo Systems, Inc., an innovative provider of data-sharing solutions for the public sector, announced today that it has been chosen by the State of California Administrative Office of the Courts (AOC) to provide Information Exchange Package (IEP) development services. Crossflo will assist the AOC Data Integration Group's efforts to standardize existing exchange specifications to a federally mandated data standard and develop additional information exchanges required by the nation's largest state court system. The project will focus on Criminal/Traffic, Family/Juvenile and Second Generation e-Filing exchange specifications.

The AOC Data Integration Group initiated its Criminal Justice Data Exchange Project to support development of the California Case Management System V4 (CCMS V4), a single case management system handling all case types for all of the state's 58 Superior Courts. Crossflo will develop the National Information Exchange Model (NIEM) - conforming information exchange packages and related Information Exchange Package Documents (IEPDs) necessary to provide easily understood specifications for AOC's CCMS V4 exchange partners. The project includes creation of an AOC Data Exchange Specifications library to maintain and publish IEP Use Case documents, along with artifacts describing the business and technical requirements associated with each exchange.

IEPDs are created to establish the definitions, descriptions and rules for how a specific information exchange will be governed. The IEPD includes both the technical description and specifications for a specific exchange of data, as well as the rules that govern the exchange of information between the exchange partners.

Crossflo has developed a methodology to improve the efficiency by which IEPDs are created between exchange partners and the ability to effectively reuse those IEPDs for other exchanges. This has proven to be effective between exchange partners including private, public, federal, state and local. The IEPDs ensure that all participating exchange partners understand the parameters, security, format and content of the data being exchanged today and how it will happen in the future.

NIEM, a federally mandated, public sector data sharing standard, was designed by the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) and the Department of Justice (DOJ) to create a foundation for consistent national-level interoperable information sharing. The IEPD is viewed as a prerequisite to NIEM-conforming data sharing, because it can help assure the consistent use of the standard across all government domains. This standards-based approach will streamline data sharing within the AOC and among collaborating agencies, improving accuracy and speeding up data access, while tightening user control.

"The AOC Data Integration Group has a visionary strategy and has been developing data exchange specifications since 2003," stated Laura Lee, Senior Vice President, Justice and Public Safety for Crossflo Systems, Inc. "However, due to the dynamic evolution of national data sharing standards, these specifications are not based on a single model or model version. We applaud AOC for its adoption of NIEM and are excited to lend our expertise to this groundbreaking initiative."

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**About Crossflo**

Crossflo Systems, Inc. provides data sharing solutions to the public sector. Crossflo’s flagship product, the Crossflo DataExchange® (CDX) solution, is commercial off-the-shelf (COTS) middleware specifically designed for interagency and cross-domain data sharing. Standards-based architecture and intuitive interface design enable end users to strengthen control, selectively share information and rapidly connect disparate data sources across multiple platforms. Crossflo solutions are backed by operationally-oriented professional services and expertise in HL7, NIEM, GJXDM, and IEPD deployments. With Crossflo, agencies involved with Justice and Public Safety, Public Health, and National Defense and Domestic Security are able to securely and rapidly access unlimited data sources to provide an accurate picture of people, assets, situations and events. More information is available at [www.crossflo.com](http://www.crossflo.com).

**About the Administrative Office of the Courts**

AOC is the staff agency of the California Judicial Council, which has policy-making authority over the state court system. The agency is organized into nine divisions in San Francisco, one division in Sacramento, and three regional offices, with a staff of more than 750. The California courts include 58 superior, or trial, courts, with facilities in more than 450 locations and 2,000 judicial positions; six appellate districts – each containing a Court of Appeal with 105 appellate justices presiding in nine locations; and the California Supreme Court.

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