

ID*TRUST Smart Card[™]

Information Assurance and Identity Management Solutions Provider NextgenID[®] Achieves PIV-I Credential Certification for Government

NextgenID to Manage Statewide PIV-I Credentialing using ID*TRUST Smart Cards for State of WV

HERNDON, Va, -- NextgenID, the leader in Trusted Identity Assurance, Managed ID Services and Credentialing, today announced that the company has earned Personal Identity Verification – Interoperable (PIV-I) credential issuance certification from federated trust authority CertiPath, based on the company's patented, unique and highly secure identity management solutions.

This vital certification will empower NextgenID to issue and manage PIV-I identity credentials for a full range of government organizations (DoD, federal, state & local), healthcare providers, first responders and government contractors requiring proper identity credentialing. By combining the new certified credential issuance and management capability with their ultra-secure, memory-allocated, ID*TRUST Smart Card, NextgenID maintains the lead role in the State of West Virginia's Homeland Security and Emergency Management Trusted Digital Identity Management Program.

In West Virginia (WV), the Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Management is the primary state agency charged with coordinating the activities of all organizations for homeland security and ER Management within the state. It maintains liaison and cooperates with homeland security, emergency management, emergency service, civil defense agencies and first-responder type organizations from other states and across the US federal government.

NextgenID began implementation of the prime identity management contract for the State of WV last year to produce and establish a unique identity management system for state-wide use, at a very high level of assurance, that can provision and leverage smart credential tokens (PIV-I) which implement 2 and 3 factor authentication, contain secure digital attribute containers, encryption and digital signature functionality, provisioned to a specific identity. The identity will then be applied to many (almost infinite) state-wide process applications, without the necessity of back end attribute servers, centralized key management, issuance of any other identity token, or any other identity management system.

This first-of-its-kind, innovative state-wide system, which includes identity-based technology from NextgenID partners (and proven ID industry leaders) Carpathia, Carillon, Intercede and CertiPath, will create a secure and compliant environment where personally identifiable data will be made unreadable and unusable to unauthorized personnel in all applications. All data at rest and in transit will be encrypted and documents will be digitally signed to maximize privacy. The system will also enable an infrastructure that eliminates the need for backend attribute server

connectivity to streamline and migrate state-based transactions from paper or server based to the use of a true digital infrastructure to reduce cost and provide convenience to the citizens of West Virginia.

NextgenID's FIPS-201 (Federal Information Processing Standards Publication 201) approved and 100% American made ID*TRUST Smart Card houses an industry leading on-board memory size of 360K (to start) and maintains separate processors for contact and contactless operations; designed to deliver increased levels of security. ID*TRUST Smart Card, which will store the PIV-I identity credentials, includes Secure Biometric Match on Card and a secure multiple-user, multiple-application system that provides secure remote update capabilities, fine-grained secure memory allocations and on-card encryption capabilities.

The ID*TRUST Smart Card utilizes NextgenID's standards-based and patented key management encryption system. It is a cryptographic key management framework that delivers information security, access management and complete recoverability of digital assets. This proprietary technology protects information down to the object level, encrypts at the information level and manages information sharing relationships via cryptography.

Front-end identity enrollment functions for efficient state-wide distribution of the PIV-I credentialed ID*TRUST Smart Cards are provided using the NextgenID Multi-Biometric Enrollment (MBE) KIOSK product. The MBE KIOSK is manufactured to specification and delivers complete secure identity enrollment in less than 5 minutes to employees, contractors and citizens state-wide. The MBE KIOSK utilizes a secure web-portal and central repository for enrollment records, including enrollment metrics aggregation and automated biometric lookout and fraud (duplicate) audits.

NextgenID is confident that more States will follow suite, using the successful WV Trusted Digital Identity Management Program as a blueprint for future state-wide secure identity and credentialing management implementations.

For more information on NextgenID, or any NextgenID Identity Assurance and Credentialing solution, please visit www.NextgenID.com, call 210.530.9991 or email sales@nextgenid.com.

About NextgenID[®]

NextgenID is a leading global provider of Trusted Identity Assurance, Management and Credentialing solutions. The NextgenID Trusted Identity Assurance & Management Ecosystem (ID*TRUST Platform[™]) was developed to specifically address Government & Commercial identity management challenges at both the technical and financial levels. NextgenID solutions address the challenges associated with reliably assuring personal identity for:

- eGovernment,
- FIPS 201 Identity Compliance,
- National Emergency Response, Safety & Security,
- Physical Access Control & Biometrics,
- Citizens Benefit Programs,
- State-wide & Agency-wide Program Enrollment,
- Financial Systems Stability, and
- Interoperability, while ensuring that all known privacy concerns are addressed.

NextgenID's capabilities create a complete trusted identity assurance, management and credentialing solution that delivers the full set of capabilities necessary for successful design, implementation, and management of a state-wide, federal agency-wide, or defense-wide identity assurance and management program. With the implementation of the ID*TRUST Platform[™], additional initiatives such as eCommerce, eHealth, and eGov become viable to meet all current and known future Government security and identity mandates. For more information please visit www.nextgenid.com.