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Bada-Bing Bada-Boom - Lakewood City Council Approves OPRA CMMS

Lakewood, CA – The mission critical responsibilities of running a city demands that the systems put in place are rock solid, easy to use, conform to the municipalities business rules, provide cost saving benefits, stand up to audits and professionally supported. For the City of Lakewood California the search for a CMMS system ended today when the City Council gave the final approval to the OPRA Work Order Management system.

After looking at systems since 2002, Public Works Project Director June Anderson informed PPS, developers of OPRA, that everyone liked what they saw after been given real-time demo access to the OPRA Work Order Module. OPRA representatives met with June and discussed the business rules of the City. Within minutes the OPRA "fusebox" was set to accommodate these rules and June was up and running.

"What is unique about the system is OPRA's FUSEBOX. Using the fusebox, OPRA can be adjusted to conform to just about any government or corporate environment." says Tom Rodzewich of OPRA. With this approach features can quickly be turned on or off depending on customer needs. "You need site level approvals, great - your done, need service department level approvals - no problem, want OPRA to send a text message to your cell phone or email when an emergency order is placed - OK, want to track fixed assets and maintenance records on those assets - bada-bing bada-boom." These are just a few examples of the hundreds of customized features available within the OPRA's 100% Internet/Intranet application.

PPS offers an entire suite of modules under the OPRA name specifically designed to eliminate needless paper work and increase the efficiency of any enterprise. Current modules in the suite include the Work Order module, Warehouse Requisition/Inventory module, Purchase Requisition module, Enterprise Calendar Module, Fixed Assets module and soon to be released Print Shop Order Module for internal reprographics ordering.

OPRA modules are deployed over the Internet or Intranet and require no software installation. A browser and a connection to the "Net" is all that is needed to access OPRA which can be set up remotely from PPS's offices in about an hour. The City of Lakewood will run the OPRA software on their Intranet server. "We really don't care where the software resides," said Warren Wagner of OPRA, "Some clients want all of the data to reside on their site; however they can also easily download and backup data to there desktop workstations at any time regardless of where the server is. It's more a question of an organization's bandwidth to the outside world verses their own internal LAN. In either case there is no difference in costs."

It's no secret that applications such as CMMS and other transactional oriented systems are a perfect fit for the Internet/Intranet. PPS recognized this early on in 1996 and while the dot comer's were selling dog food on the net, PPS's staff were the first to offer 100% Internet based CMMS and other transactional modules. The name of its' product line "OPRA" (Order Processing and Requisition Accelerator) say's it all.

PPS Systems, Inc. is a privately held company with headquarters in Marina del Rey, California. PPS was the first in the nation to provide a 100% Web-based "Work Order System" in 1996. PPS now provides and hosts its complete line of OPRA Web-based software modules to governments, school districts and corporate clients supporting thousands of transactions on a daily basis.

The service that is described above relates to a natural expansion of the utilization of the company's expertise and services available. Interested parties may contact PPS at 800-545-4888 or email at sales@opras.net.

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