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Redstone's class act wins 3 year contract extension with exam boards

10 October 2006 - Redstone, a leading provider of IT & Communications solutions in the UK and Ireland, today announces that its Managed Solutions division has been awarded a three year contract with exam boards from England, Wales and N.Ireland expected to generate revenues in the region of £1 million per annum.

Redstone's *WebXchange*, a high security web-based file transfer system developed in-house has been selected by a group of leading UK examination boards, for the secure transfer of examination results.

WebXchange is a highly encrypted Electronic Data Interchange system specifically adapted to allow educational organisations to transfer large volumes of highly sensitive results data between examination boards and schools with high levels of accuracy and speed whilst being cost efficient. *WebXchange's* encryption and reporting facilities enable the progress of candidates' results to be tracked and allow users to ensure that all data is delivered safely to the specified location.

Last academic year, *WebXchange* ensured that over 11 million results representing 56% of all results were received by schools in a timely and efficient manner.

The simplicity of the *WebXchange* system means that it is easily and efficiently incorporated into an education establishment's existing processes. In order to operate the system, all that is required is an internet connection and a standard web browser, along with a user ID for the service. Currently it is the only product of its kind that does not require an installation of software and runs solely through a web portal. Further information on the *WebXchange* system can be found at:

www.webxchange.co.uk.

Martin Balaam, Chief Executive of Redstone commented, "It is very satisfying that having worked with the examination boards to provide an online secure file transfer system, we have demonstrated that Redstone can provide the level of reliability and security that is demanded for the fast transfer of highly sensitive data.

"This contract represents a key area for Redstone – that of public projects as well as those in the B2B arena – and this is part of our continued effort to grow revenues from our business conducted with the public sector"

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