



**National e-Government Award for e-Borders Programme
e-Borders Tops Innovative Strategy Award Category**

LONDON, Nov. 25, 2009 -- e-Borders has been downselected for an award in the e-Government National Awards 2009.

The e-Borders Programme is a finalist for the “Best Innovation in Strategy on a national level” for delivering innovative strategies which have demonstrated above-average results in improved services, processes and effectiveness within the transformational government agenda.

The awards are the UK's highest level commendation for the best e-Government and technology-driven government programmes that have positively transformed the lives of citizens, local communities, business and stakeholder groups.

e-Borders programme is a multi-agency, technology-enabled business change programme which will create a joined-up, modernised border control and security framework for the United Kingdom.

e-Borders will collect and analyse passenger and crew data, provided by all travel carriers in respect of all journeys to and from the U.K. in advance of their travel. This will support an intelligence-led approach to operating border controls, by identifying those involved in abuse of UK immigration laws, serious and organised crime and terrorism.

Notes to Editors:

About e-Borders

The e-Borders programme is a multi-agency, technology-enabled business change programme which will create a joined-up, modernised border control and security framework for the United Kingdom.

By harnessing passenger information, performing risk assessments on passengers planning to enter or leave the UK and utilising new developments in technology which allow the swift and secure transfer of data, e-Borders will, in effect, export the border and provide more effective levels of border control and deliver faster processing and greater flexibility in control operations.