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ITS Capabilities Expand

GeoDecisions is proud to announce the integration of VANUS, Inc. into its operations. VANUS, acquired by GeoDecisions' parent company Gannett Fleming, brings its talented staff and capabilities to augment both Gannett Fleming's and GeoDecisions' growing intelligent transportation system (ITS) services.

VANUS is based in Tampa, Fla., offering traffic engineering and ITS planning, engineering, system integration, software development, and construction management services. VANUS staff are located in offices in Tampa, Miami, Fla., and New Orleans, La.

With the addition of VANUS, the combined power of Gannett Fleming and GeoDecisions provides an array of services in planning, ITS engineering, traffic engineering, ITS construction management, and ITS software.



The VANUS team.

Maryland Environmental Service Partnership

GeoDecisions has teamed with Maryland Environmental Service (MES) to provide multiple environmental and energy-based initiatives. One of four firms selected from more than 100 proposals, GeoDecisions will work with MES on a variety of state, federal, and local government projects and services in Maryland and throughout the entire Chesapeake Bay watershed. The partnership will enable GeoDecisions to provide geographic information system (GIS) and information technology (IT) services for needs assessments, data development, custom applications, and engineering support.



MES is a self-supporting, not-for-profit independent state agency that combines the public sector's commitment to environmental protection with the private sector's flexibility and responsiveness.



Rapid Response System Named Best Public Service Innovation

The Rapid Response System was named best Public Service Innovation at TECHQuest Pennsylvania's 18th Annual Technology Awards Gala, an annual event that recognizes technologies, companies, and leaders that are helping Pennsylvania excel in technology and innovation. The award recognizes government programs, leadership activities, and processes that promote and utilize technology and innovation for the public good. The Rapid Response System is an alert notification system designed to deliver high-speed phone, e-mail, or text messages to customers of public and private utilities and municipalities.

(from left) Jonathan Greiner, Steve Ellis, and Neil Weaver accept the award.

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Spring is here, and growth is all around us. As we continue our evolution as a company, we change every year. Thanks to our parent company Gannett Fleming, the acquisition of VANUS positions us to significantly grow ITS throughout the firm in the years ahead. We have been making strategic choices and working hard to grow our ITS practice. ITS business within GeoDecisions has grown from a few projects in Pennsylvania, to projects in New Mexico, Vermont, and Massachusetts, as well as international projects in Mexico, Saudi Arabia, and Colombia.

The acquisition of VANUS is another step in the right direction. Through our combined talents and skills, we can advance mobility, improve transportation networks, and solve the most demanding business and technology challenges that our clients face.

Sincerely,



Anthony J. Pietropola
President, GeoDecisions

Staff News & Notes

Welcome to Our Team

Kelli Craven – GIS Analyst

Daniel Schell – Database Administrator

Yang Xu – Application Developer



Law Enforcement and Policing Portal for U.S. Air Force

The U.S. Air Force Office of Special Investigations (AFOSI) awarded GeoDecisions option year three of its contract to support its internal law enforcement and policing activities. As part of the new contract period, GeoDecisions will continue to integrate a new version of its IRRIS[®] technology for AFOSI, known as OSIRRIS, into its Area of Responsibility management workflows. In addition, GeoDecisions will develop additional geospatial capabilities to support case investigations by AFOSI special agents throughout the world.

Pennsylvania AVL Wins Honor Award at ACEC/PA 2010 Diamond Awards

GeoDecisions and the Pennsylvania Office of Administration received an Honor Award in the American Council of Engineering Companies of Pennsylvania (ACEC/PA) 2010 Diamond Awards for Engineering Excellence Program. The firms were honored for the creation and development of the Pennsylvania Automatic Vehicle Location (AVL) project. This system enables state agencies and operation centers to fully utilize the Commonwealth's 800 MHz radio system to monitor the location and progress of response vehicles in near-real-time, share incident information with commanders and field units, and maintain situational awareness of response teams.



(from left) Jon Pollack, GeoDecisions; Tony Pietropola, GeoDecisions; Marcia Rossi, Pennsylvania Office of Administration; Sarah Burkett, GeoDecisions; and Jon Bishop, GeoDecisions.