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Press Release

Protys® relies on PROSODIE to offer a national declarative/collaborative portal for professionals or individuals performing renovations

Boulogne-Billancourt, November 24, 2009: When digitization helps strengthen the safety of people, property, and the environment, PROSODIE, an operator in online multichannel services, is infomanaging Protys.fr®. Protys.fr is the new national portal that facilitates administrative strategies when carrying out public works near underground and overhead utilities (gas, chemicals, hydrocarbons, fiber-optics, etc.)

Protys.fr ®: A national declarative/collaborative portal designed by utility companies

Regulations in force since 1991 require that professionals and individuals who are planning to carry out public works follow a very strict regulatory procedure:

- visiting city hall to obtain a list of nearby utility companies;
- sending those companies Information Requests (DRs) before any renovation project;
- sending the utilities a Declaration of Intent to Begin Renovation (DICT) 10 days before starting;
- applying the requirements provided by the utility companies in response to the received declarations.

The purpose of these measures is to provide for the safety of persons and property, and to reduce damages sustained by structures when work is completed nearby. In order to facilitate these procedures, the national utility companies (GRTgaz, GrDF, RTE, ERDF, France Télécom Orange, and La Lyonnaise des Eaux (a subsidiary of SUEZ ENVIRONNEMENT), and TIGF (a subsidiary of TOTAL)) have joined together to create an Internet information-sharing platform for project owners, contract givers, public works companies, and local governments.

In order to develop and deploy this portal and the helpful services it provides, these are the reasons why Protys® was created in 2008.

"These procedures have long been launched by fax or mail. They have suffered from being insufficiently standardized and from a dangerous lack of reliability... By simplifying the process, moving it online contributes significantly to the protection of the structures and ultimately the everyday safety of the French people", says Alain Galli, Chief Executive of Déclaranet, which owns the national portal Protys®.

Prosodie: A key partner in going digital

Prosodie infomanages the portal and operates the processes involved. Based on a highly upgradeable architecture, the platform is designed to support the expected increase in load. Right now, the utility operators with access to the service process nearly 4 million paper document transactions a year.

"Protys has viewed us as a critical partner for the operational control of its portal. Our recognized expertise in infomanaging computerization platforms has enable us to guide them by offering services and an organization which are particularly well-suited to their technical, regulatory, strategic, and business issues," says Silvère-Grégory Grenet, Prosodie's Head of Computerization.

About PROSODIE

As a service operator offering IT and telecoms expertise, Prosodie designs and hosts multi-channel online services for remote access to information and interactive data exchanges. With many major companies benefiting from Prosodie's services, the company works in the fields of multi-channel customer relations, facilities management for critical and sensitive systems and applications, IP telephony and prepayment systems and other services for telecoms operators. With offices in France, Spain, the United States and Canada, the group achieved turnover in 2008 of €179.9 million, with an operating profit of €15.6 million, and had 958 employees at 31 December 2008. For the 5th consecutive year, PROSODIE maintained its AFAQ ISO 9001 v.2000 certification to cover all of its activities throughout France.

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About DECLARANET - PROTYS

DECLARANET, 12 people, €3 million in sales and €2.5 millions in DR/DICT declarations handled per year, is a corporate citizen whose portal PROTYS offers innovative services for computerizing administrative and intermediary procedures between contract givers, public works companies, local governments, and utility operators in order to process and track project and work declarations near utilities networks.

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