NACR Sponsors NASTD Midwest Region Seminar for State IT Professionals

NACR to Meet with NASTD Members to Enhance State Operational Efficiency

EAGAN, Minn., May 5, 2011 /PRNewswire/ -- As a corporate member of the National Association of State Technology Directors (NASTD), solutions integration expert NACR will be a Bronze sponsor of the NASTD 2011 Midwest Region Seminar, May 15-18 in St. Louis, MO. NASTD's purpose is to promote the effective use of Information Technology (IT) to improve the operation of state government.

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With members from states across the nation and the private sector, NASTD represents IT professionals who play a strategic role in planning and shaping state government technology infrastructures and policies. As a corporate member of NASTD, NACR provides IT services and equipment to state government.

"By participating in NASTD, NACR can help states use the latest technology to improve operational efficiencies, with benefits such as lower costs, reduced energy use, faster response to requests, more effective use of resources, and equal access to services for citizens," according to Rena Taylor, Public Sector Director at NACR. "Our participation in this regional event gives NACR more opportunities to meet with state members and hear their critical needs and issues firsthand, so we can better help solve their problems and improve their use of technology."

In addition to Taylor, who as the head of NACR's dedicated government practice attends NASTD events nationwide, the May 15-18 seminar will be attended by NACR sales leadership and National Account Managers (NAMs) from throughout the region.

NASTD's Midwest Region Seminar will include IT readouts/procurement reports from Kansas, Minnesota, Missouri, Nebraska, Ohio, and Wisconsin. The event will also feature presentations and technology sessions on topics such as enterprise resource planning, cloud computing, security assessment tools, advancements in state data centers, and managing unified communications at the enterprise level.

As a member of NASTD, NACR also participates in the organization's Corporate Alliance Council, another forum in which members can share ideas and build stronger relationships between IT providers and state government. Additionally, the company sponsors and attends other NASTD national and regional events where state IT professionals and NACR associates can network face to face.

NASTD members who will be attending the Midwest Region Seminar can contact their NACR NAM or Rena Taylor (651-796-7002 or rtaylor@nacr.com) to arrange a meeting at the event. New customers and organizations that want more information can also contact NACR at **1-888-321-6227**.

About NACR

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