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Controlware named as finalists for the IFSEC Awards 2008

Specialist IP CCTV supplier and value-added distributor Controlware Communications Systems has been selected as a finalist for the IFSEC Security Industry Awards. Having won the Best project Award in 2007 Controlware is a finalist for the second year running.

A panel of independent industry experts conducted the judging of a record number of entries. The judging panel were specifically looking for innovative solutions and selected the leading edge IP CCTV network at St Pancras International as a finalist in the Best Project category.

The development of the IP CCTV network at St Pancras International was part of the station's refurbishment for the High Speed 1 (HS1), the UK's biggest ever construction project, formally known as the Channel Tunnel Rail Link (CTRL). Working with the Costain, O'Rourke, Bachy and Emcor Rail (CORBER) consortium and Rail Link Engineering (RLE) Controlware provided technical design, product supply, integration, commissioning and operator training services for a new 450 camera surveillance solution.

The new surveillance solution improves security and safety for passengers and staff throughout the station. The solution includes Bosch cameras, IP codecs, networked storage and an advanced management platform. Based on IP technology St Pancras International benefits from a comprehensive surveillance solution that is highly flexible enabling video to be monitored from multiple locations. This enables surveillance operations to become more resilient, allowing control and monitoring functions to be managed from other locations on the network in the event of an emergency or network failure. Easy to use management tools provide users with fast access to live and recorded video while at the same time the surveillance network is scalable to support growth of cameras and storage requirements in the future.

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Her Majesty The Queen accompanied by His Royal Highness The Duke of Edinburgh officially opened St Pancras International on 6th November 2007. Rob Holden, chief executive of London & Continental Railways, and the company behind HS1, said:

“The completion of High Speed 1 and the opening of St Pancras International, on time and within budget, is a great source of pride for the thousands of men and women who have been involved in one of the most significant projects in UK railway history. For Her Majesty to have been here to officially declare the new high speed line and station open is a fitting tribute.”

Commenting on the selection of Controlware as a finalist for the IFSEC Security Industry Awards Matt Caine, General Manager of Controlware UK said:

“Controlware are proud to have been involved with such a nationally important and prestigious project as the refurbishment of St Pancras International. To be selected as a finalist for the Security Industry Awards for the second year running recognises the dedication and professionalism of all the team in the UK”

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Editors Note:

Controlware Communications Systems are leading specialist suppliers and value added distributors of IP CCTV surveillance solutions that include video transmission, management, recording, and intelligent video content analysis systems. With more than 27 years experience in communications networking and over 10 years specifically with IP CCTV, our extensive technical expertise enables us to not only supply products but assist with design, integration, and support of advanced IP CCTV surveillance solutions. Having supplied thousands of IP CCTV systems through a worldwide network of key technology and channel partners including CCTV installers, VAR's, Converged Resellers and Carriers, Controlware is the supplier of choice for digital CCTV surveillance solutions, enhancing security while ensuring peace of mind.

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