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## Leicestershire Becomes Twelfth UK Police Force to Select Niche Records Management System

**ENDERBY, LEICESTER:** Leicestershire Constabulary has announced that it will be the twelfth UK police force to select the Niche Technology Records Management System (NicheRMS) to manage police data and ensure officers have access to the best available technology in the office and on the beat.

Leicestershire Constabulary polices the city of Leicester, Leicestershire and Rutland and is responsible for an area that covers over 2,500 square kilometres and has a population of nearly one million. With 2,267 officers and 1273 support staff, Leicestershire's launch brings the number of officers in the UK using the Niche system to more than 37,000.

Leicestershire's initial use of NicheRMS is as a new Custody and Case Preparation system to replace the national NSPIS systems. Leicestershire will be the second force to switch from NSPIS, with neighbouring Lincolnshire having completed the switch earlier in 2010.

Superintendent Philip Whiteley, Head of Criminal Justice for Leicestershire Constabulary said, "We have taken a key strategic decision in support of policing in Leicestershire to adopt the NicheRMS, beginning with custody and case preparation initially. This will improve efficiency and ensure that we are well placed in relation to future changes within the Criminal Justice System.

Roger Thomas, UK Country Manager for Niche Technology said "I am delighted that Leicestershire are the 12th force to adopt NicheRMS in the UK. We look forward to working with Leicestershire, building on our position as the leading provider of integrated operational software for the police service."

This new contract brings Niche's market share of forces in the UK to 27%, making the company the market leader in the UK by a large margin. Niche RMS is also currently used by over 50% of Canadian police officers including Canada's federal police agency, the Royal Canadian Mounted Police; and 20% of Australia's police officers, and since the beginning of 2010, has been chosen by five US law enforcement agencies, including the Department of the Interior, which has 6,000 officers across the US. Seven of the 25 largest police forces in the English-speaking world use Niche RMS.

Other UK forces using Niche RMS include Lincolnshire Police, West Yorkshire Police, South Wales Police, North Yorkshire Police, the Police Service of Northern Ireland, Cheshire Constabulary, Merseyside Police, Wiltshire Police, Hampshire Constabulary, Cleveland Police and North Wales Police.

### ABOUT NICHE TECHNOLOGY AND NICHE RMS

Niche Technology is a privately owned company incorporated in Canada and the UK, specializing in law enforcement software. Niche Records Management System (Niche RMS) is used by more than 75,000 sworn officers worldwide, and current implementation projects will see that number rise to over 100,000. The system is being used to create efficiencies and improve performance across a range of operational policing functions. Niche RMS is currently used by over 50% of Canadian police officers; 27% of UK police officers in 12 forces; 20% of Australia's police officers; and is now in production use in the US. Eight of the 25 largest police services in the English-speaking world have selected Niche RMS as their core operational police system. For more information, go to [www.nicherms.com](http://www.nicherms.com).

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