

Smallworld and Stoner Associates announce joint development agreement

Under the agreement, Stoner's Soluioneered™ spatial simulation applications, which are used primarily for network performance analysis, will be embedded in the Smallworld environment. In turn, Smallworld is developing an Analysis Integration Application Programming Interface (API) to allow Stoner's applications to communicate with the Smallworld object model.

"This development agreement is significant because together we're able to provide robust and industry leading solutions for a complete network modeling, planning, and maintenance package for utilities," said C. Warren Ferguson, Smallworld chief executive officer.

Smallworld and Stoner currently work together with several U.S.-based utilities, such as Alliant Energy, BC Gas, CNG, Helix Water, Louisville Gas and Electric, New Centuries Energy (formerly Public Service Company of Colorado), Niagara Mohawk Power, Public Service Company of North Carolina, San Diego Water and Washington Gas.

Stoner Associates, a Smallworld World Class Partner, provides enterprise-wide technology-based business solutions to energy and water delivery companies. These business solutions include corporate consulting, such as strategic and tactical planning, organizational planning and business process consulting. Stoner's system integration and engineering services are aimed at

custom application, database and data development for GIS; SCADA system integration; information technology infrastructure; hydraulic consulting; and online modeling system development. Stoner is headquartered in Carlisle (PA) with offices in Charlotte (NC), Houston (TX), Birmingham (UK) and Gieres (FR). Stoner is part of Severn Trent Services and now includes the former Marshall Consulting.

