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SUBJECT: Crisis Information Management Software (CIMS) Feature Comparison Report

The National Institute of Justice (NIJ), Office of Science and Technology, has announced the release of the Crisis Information Management Software (CIMS) Feature Comparison Report. This Special Report was funded by NIJ and the Office for Domestic Preparedness (ODP), and compares 10 crisis information management software products currently used by emergency management agencies (EMAs). The products examined were specifically designed to augment EMA responses to crisis situations and enhance emergency management planning and mitigation. The report is accompanied by an Excel-based Feature Comparison Matrix, which allows an agency to assess the performance of a product(s), respective of agency priorities, requirements, and conditions of operation, and use that information for the procurement process. The CIMS Feature Comparison report can be accessed at www.ojp.usdoj.gov/nij/pubs-sum/197065.htm.

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