



# Joint Technology Committee Visits Colorado Interactive Office Co-hosted by Statewide Internet Portal Authority

*Working together to put more information and services online*

DENVER, COLORADO, UNITED STATES, January 30, 2018 /EINPresswire.com/ -- The Joint Technology Committee (JTC) had the opportunity to get an in-depth and hands-on look at the

partnership between the [Statewide Internet Portal Authority \(SIPA\)](#) and Colorado Interactive (CI). CI kept them busy at

their offices in downtown Denver with talks by Jack Arrowsmith, Executive Director of SIPA, and Rodney Caudle, the Director of Information Security at NIC Inc., as well as interactive presentations and discussions.



The Statewide Internet Portal Authority and Colorado Interactive are dedicated to helping connect citizens to government.”

*Jack Arrowsmith*

The JTC spent the afternoon engaged in: understanding the purpose behind using an agile process for application development- a method which keeps the building process

open for assessment and change at every step; understanding how to stay more secure online- which is a growing concern for anyone on the internet; and meeting the people behind CI who have helped state and local governments develop and maintain their applications and websites. Attendees were specifically interested in, and impressed by, the high standards of web security, the personability of the help desk, and the activity surrounding the education and use of 508 compliant measures (a federal government standard that makes websites accessible to people with disabilities).

Why is it important for the JTC to understand the processes and people behind SIPA and CI? The JTC is the committee with oversight responsibility for major state technology projects and SIPA and CI serve as the oversight body of the official state portal, Colorado.gov. Both SIPA and CI are on a mission to deliver efficient and comprehensive electronic and technological government services.

It seems that the idea behind the visit of the JTC to CI echoes the mission of SIPA and CI: transparency. Specifically, that each organization functions and strives for a shared goal of government transparency and efficiency. Improved openness and communication now exists among the JTC, SIPA, and CI, which can only mean more effective services being provided for residents.

Jack Arrowsmith, Executive Director of SIPA, stated that, “It was an honor to host the Joint Technology Committee and show how SIPA and CI are dedicated to helping connect citizens to government. We look forward to continuing the line of communication and familiarity that we established today”. Now in-the-know, the Joint Technology Committee can better understand how to aid and assist SIPA and CI in providing the best possible electronic connections and online services to those in Colorado.

About SIPA

Established in 2004 by the Colorado General Assembly, the Statewide Internet Portal Authority (SIPA)

is a self-funded government organization created to be Colorado's single most comprehensive delivery channel for electronic government (eGovernment) services. SIPA strives to accelerate the adoption of efficient, effective electronic government services by placing more government information and services online to benefit the citizens of Colorado. In addition to free websites, payment processing setup and event registration software, SIPA provides technology solutions including: Google Apps, security assessments, video streaming/archiving, online learning portal, eSignature, CRM, CMS and more. For more information about SIPA, please visit [www.colorado.gov/sipa](http://www.colorado.gov/sipa).

#### About Colorado Interactive

Colorado Interactive is the team behind the official website of the state of Colorado (<http://www.colorado.gov>) and is overseen by the Statewide Internet Portal Authority. The portal operates through a public-private partnership between the State and Colorado Interactive to help Colorado government entities web-enable their services. Colorado Interactive builds, operates, maintains, and markets Colorado.gov and is part of eGovernment firm NIC's (NASDAQ: EGOV) family of companies.

#### About NIC

Founded in 1992, NIC (NASDAQ: EGOV) is the nation's leading provider of official government websites, online services, and secure payment processing solutions. The Company's innovative eGovernment services help make government more accessible to everyone through technology. The family of NIC companies provides eGovernment solutions for more than 4,500 federal, state, and local agencies in the United States. Forbes has named NIC as one of the "100 Best Small Companies in America" six times, and the Company has been included four times on the Barron's 400 Index. Additional information is available at <https://www.egov.com>

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