

ac3 working with Government

This newsletter highlights some of the solutions that **ac3** has provided to NSW Government agencies.

SPATIAL INFORMATION

Land and Property Information NSW, a business entity of the Department of Information Technology and Management is relocating its production sites for *ValNet* and the Integrated Property Warehouse from its Queen Square building to **ac3** as phase one of a strategic alliance with **ac3**.

Phase two will be the relocation to **ac3** the topological data supply and dissemination services, and the integration of these services with those delivered from Bathurst.

Attention to security, high quality 7 x 24 services, redundant uninterruptible power supplies, environmental monitoring systems and exemplary network management were key factors in the decision.

The LPI servers at **ac3** have been incorporated into the DITM WAN (wide area network) so that LPI can continue to support its flagship property management applications internally.

LPI's customer facing web services will leverage **ac3**'s secure, high bandwidth internet connectivity.

NEW SOUTH WALES			
F. 154 ORIGINAL	Extract	No. 120267	
EXTRACT FROM THE VALUATION ROLL			
UNDER THE VALUATION OF LAND ACT, 1916			
Valuation District of	Your Local District	Val. No	
Owner's Name & Address	Your Name Your Address	1234	
Property Description	1234 Your Street, Lot 321 DP 123456		
Date of Valuation	1st January, 19XX	Base Date	9807
Values	Land Value: One Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$100,000)		
Valuer-General's Department	Sydney	, 19	Valuer-General
Examined by			per

Sample extract from the valuation roll from the LPI database located at **ac3**.

PARLIAMENT FOR THE PEOPLE

ac3 has designed and implemented a web-casting service which continuously reports the activity of both Houses of the NSW Parliament.



Screen shot of www.parliament.nsw.gov.au showing the web-casting of parliament.

The workings of Parliament are part of primary, secondary and tertiary education political science curricula. Students and the general public, as well as MP's, their staff and public servants, benefit from seeing first-hand the debates and passage of bills through both Houses.

Ali Shariat, Manager of ITS at Parliament says "**ac3** showed expertise and capabilities to deliver projects that met our needs."

Other successful projects for Parliament include an Internet accessible database of media releases and the hosting of the Parliament's web site.

PUTTING THE LAW IN AC3'S HANDS...

www.legislation.nsw.gov.au provides an authoritative, up-to-date, source for NSW legislation.

The new website was successfully launched by the Attorney General, the Honourable Bob Debus, MP, on June 27. It is based on an International Standard and SGML/XML, and contains a dynamic collection of NSW Acts and subordinate legislation, including environmental plans.

The site shows the status of each item of legislation and provides advanced searching facilities. Superseded and repealed versions of legislation are retained.

Unlike many legislation websites, the new site provides a very high quality on-screen representation of the printed page. The dynamic collection is in HTML. This material can readily be imported into word processing applications.

A second major feature of the website is an archival collection of NSW legislation as it was originally made. This contains over 6000 Acts & items of subordinate legislation going back to 1990 & is added to on a progressive basis as new legislation is made. The archival collection is in PDF & is searchable.

www.legislation.nsw.gov.au has been developed with technical assistance from RMIT in Victoria, and is hosted by **ac3**.

According to Michael Rubacki, the Publishing & Administration Manager, "PCO selected **ac3** because we wanted a secure and highly reliable location for the new source website for NSW legislation. It was also important that the provider have high technical skills and be stable and locally based. The fact that a number of key agencies closely linked to the PCO were also **ac3** clients made the choice even more compelling."

"We have also moved our corporate site and list server to **ac3** and this was another smooth process. PCO has been very pleased with the technical support & hosting service provided by **ac3** and we have every confidence in their capacity."



Frank Crawford, **ac3** and Pamela Williams, PCO at the commissioning of www.legislation.nsw.gov.au in **ac3**'s data centre in June 2002

IT'S OFFICIAL!

NSW Deputy Premier Andrew Refshauge recently reported to the New South Wales Parliament that ratings agency ACNielsen consistently lists the New South Wales Government web sites as the most accessed of any government web site in the country.

This site – <http://www.nsw.gov.au/> – is hosted at **ac3**.

Frank Crawford, the Senior Systems Manager at **ac3** said "The secret to servicing high throughput web services is bandwidth and reliability; **ac3** provides both of these".



LPI Sun equipment located at **ac3**.

"ABSOLUTELY SUPERB!"

Why are customers engaging ac3?

- Is it the high level of comfort provided by **ac3**'s attention to security?
- Is it the "Class A" data centre with n+1 redundancy on all environmental services?
- Is it the highly skilled, expert staff?
- Is it the fact that using **ac3** services and data centre is a cost effective alternative to building or renovating?
- Or is it all of the above?

A recent customer satisfaction survey, carried out by an independent third party, was told:

- "We are just pretty happy & pretty impressed. It's a good service & that's what we want. They make us look good."
- "Absolutely superb!"

CONNECTING THE FUTURE

ac3 and ISOC-AU joined forces to present *Connecting the Future* – a high speed networking seminar held at the Australian Technology Park on May 28. The seminar attracted over 120 attendees. Presentations can be viewed at <http://www.ac3.com.au/conf/CTF/>.

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