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Jesse White Announces His Office Now Accepts Corporate Annual Reports Online

Illinois Secretary of State Jesse White announced today that most businesses operating in Illinois can now file their corporate annual reports online through his office's website, CyberdriveIllinois.com.

"Illinois corporations may now enjoy the efficiency and convenience of filing their annual reports online, from their place of business any time of the day and any day of the year," White said. "This new service is part of my on-going effort to use the Internet to streamline and enhance our services to all businesses and citizens in Illinois."

The new web-based service will allow businesses to file their required corporate documents with the Secretary of State's Department of Business Services on a "real-time" basis, instead of filing documents through the mail or making a personal visit. Documents filed online are recorded immediately, eliminating the more time consuming manual filing process.

White recently provided for other transactions to be conducted with his Department of Business Services including UCC Filings and Certificates of Good Standing. White, who was the first Illinois Secretary of State to offer services through the Internet, noted that online services throughout his office increased by 25 percent in fiscal year 2006.

"Taking advantage of technology has helped us serve the people of Illinois more efficiently than ever before," White said. "Customers are choosing to purchase license plate renewal stickers and conduct other transactions with our office from their homes and businesses more often."

The Illinois Secretary of State's office processed 575,149 Internet transactions in fiscal year 2006 compared to 432,694 in fiscal year 2005. Nearly two million transactions have been conducted online since White introduced Internet services in 2001.

Additional Secretary of State services that customers may now conduct through the Internet include:

- Purchasing license plate stickers
- Searching for and ordering vanity and personalized license plates
- Renewing your driver's license if you are a safe driver
- Changing your address
- Checking the status of a license plate or vehicle title
- Signing up to become an organ/tissue donor
- Searching important government and business records
- Submitting circuit breaker refunds
- Reporting corruption to the Inspector General
- Filing a Uniform Commercial Code (UCC) financing statement
- Registering as a lobbyist