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### **GST's Dog Tax Software Used in 17 West Virginia Counties**

Global Science & Technology, Inc. (GST) recently completed development of a computer system that manages dog tax information for county assessors. The software eliminates the antiquated paper system that tax assessor offices have used for years to manage information and cash flow generated through the sale of dog tag licenses.

Every year, all dog owners are required to register each dog they own and pay a nominal tax per animal. GST's dog tax software keeps track of the information and revenue earned and gives the assessor the ability to generate financial reports whenever they need to.

"The software helps county assessors manage their dog tax information and revenues much better than before," explained Cannon Wadsworth, Director of State and Commercial Projects at GST.

"It's made our job a whole lot easier," said Taylor County Assessor Judy Collett. "In some cases we had owners with 15 dogs or more which meant hand-writing receipts for each animal. The GST software eliminated the burden of so much paper work."

The software can also be used to help reunite lost dogs with their owners. The system keeps a database of all registered animals so if a stray dog is found, it's tag number can be quickly matched with the owner.

"We're hopeful that we'll be able to expand the number of county assessors currently using the software," Wadsworth said.

Along with Taylor County, 17 county assessors use GST's dog tax software. They are: Putnam, Cabell, Hampshire, Tucker, Gilmer, Fayette, Marion, Randolph, Preston, Morgan, Mason, Berkeley, Ohio, Pendleton, Grant and Jackson.

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### **About Global Science & Technology**

Global Science & Technology, Inc. was founded in 1991. With offices in Maryland, Washington, D.C., Virginia, West Virginia, Colorado, and North Carolina, GST has built a highly specialized workforce that includes experts in key domains of engineering, science, communications, and information technology. GST provides all levels of scientific and technical expertise and support within the federal R&D laboratory environment. GST's major clients include NASA Goddard Space Flight Center (GSFC), NASA Headquarters (HQ), the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), the Department of Defense, the State of West Virginia, and the US Air Force. Much of GST's work has been in direct support of NASA and NOAA science missions and related data systems. GST's signature emphasis is on systems interoperability and solutions based on open standards.