



Deutsche Card Services' acquiring platform receives PCI Security Certificate for the seventh time in a row

COLOGNE, 4 May 2010 – Deutsche Card Services is the first acquiring platform in Europe to receive the PCI Security Certificate seven times in a row. The security standard developed by the Payment Card Industry Security Standards Council (PCI SSC) again confirms that the clients of the Deutsche Bank subsidiary and their customers enjoy the best possible protection against any misuse of sensitive data. The standard is regularly updated and is a requirement for all organisations that process, store or transmit card information – including merchants. The successful certification proves that the security is in line with the strict requirements of the Payment Card Industry Data Security Standard (PCI DSS).

The PCI Security Standards Council was founded as an open, international forum by leading credit card companies. Its task is to develop and update the PCI security standards, administrate them and increase their awareness. All five founding members agreed to integrate the PCI DSS standard as a technical requirement into the data security conformity programmes for individual companies.

“Compliance with the PCI Standard is absolutely vital in the card business, and most merchants have understood that,” says Peter Ehmke, General Manager Germany at MasterCard. He explains: “The PCI Standard is a key element in merchants’ protection against data misuse and fraud.”

Detlef Henkel, CEO of Deutsche Card Services, underlines: “Deutsche Bank Group stands for the highest possible security and reliability. It goes without saying that we comply with these high security standards in order to protect ourselves and, above all, our customers. Moreover, all security-relevant workflows are regularly optimised.”

The PCI certification examinations at Deutsche Card Services were conducted by SRC Security Research & Consulting. The company is the joint centre of competence and consulting company for security relevant applications and technologies of the four German publishers for the credit industry, Bank-Verlag, Deutscher Genossenschafts-Verlag, Deutscher Sparkassen Verlag and VÖB-ZVD Bank für Zahlungsverkehrsdienstleistungen.

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About Deutsche Card Services GmbH:

Deutsche Card Services, a part of Deutsche Bank Group, broadens the range of cash management services offered by the Group's Global Transaction Banking ("GTB") department. The newly established company offers international one-stop full-service solutions for non-cash card payment transactions, including credit cards, Maestro, direct debiting and giro pay. In doing so Deutsche Card Services relies on the proven experience and the well-established technical platform of Pago eTransaction Services. Proven risk minimization systems ensure that non-cash payment in e-commerce, in mail-order retailing and at the point of sale is easy, quick and secure. Unique online steering systems enable customers world-wide to monitor all of their transactions at any time.

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