



# Eastern Maryland County Commissioner Chooses Comodo Extended Validation (EV) SSL Certificates to Verify Site Identity

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*EV SSL selected as a best practice to keep taxpayers safe from phishing sites*

PR9.NET August 02, 2007 - Jersey City, NJ - Comodo, a global leader in Identity and Trust Assurance Management solutions, announced today that the Commissioner's Office of Carroll County, Maryland, has chosen Comodo's EV SSL certificate to verify its Web site identity thus protecting taxpayers and residents' sensitive information during online transactions. The Commissioner's Office will employ EV SSL on its website in a concerted effort to heighten its online security and protect Carroll County residents from fraud and theft of personal information such as social security numbers and telephone numbers.

"Hackers and fraudsters run their operations everywhere, 24/7," said Mark Ripper, of the Commissioner's Office. "We have to go the extra mile to keep our residents' personal information out of the wrong hands, and Comodo's EV SSL certificate provides an important safeguard to prevent this type of identity theft."

EV SSL builds on the trust that the marketplace has in traditional SSL protection by adding a visual confirmation of a site's identity to end users through a green "good to go" indicator displayed in the Microsoft IE7 browser address bar. Since EV SSL certificates help Internet users easily distinguish legitimate sites from phishing sites designed to steal sensitive information, Carroll County residents will now be better protected from such scams when conducting business online with the county government.

"Authentication as a standard should start at the top, with government agencies and authorities," said Melih Abdulhayoglu, CEO and Chief Security Architect of Comodo. "The Commissioner's Office of Carroll County is a stellar example of a local government that cares about the safety and well-being of its constituents."

For more information about EV SSL certificates, please visit <http://www.instantssl.com/ssl-certificate-products/ssl/ssl-certificate-ev.html>.

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