

## **New online alert system to enhance New York emergency response**

New York Governor Eliot Spitzer announced Thursday, May 31, two important initiatives designed to enhance the state's ability to alert the public in emergency situations and respond after disasters. The first initiative will provide Web - based emergency alerts to the public. The new system - dubbed NY-ALERT - will provide National Weather Service bulletins about severe weather, advisories on road closures, and other emergency response information from federal, state and local authorities. The second initiative -- called NY-DELIVERS -- will forge public - private partnerships to support the state's emergency response missions. The initiative is modeled on best practices identified after Hurricane Katrina. The two initiatives are expected to be operational within 60 days.

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