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## **United States Patent Issued to Avow Systems, Inc.**

**DENVER, CO – November 1, 2011** – Avow Systems, Inc., the leading provider of products and services for certifying and delivering secure electronic documents on behalf of educational institutions, announced today that it has been issued a patent by the United States Patent and Trademark Office. U.S. Patent No. 8,051,289 for Electronic Document Management and Delivery is a milestone for Avow Systems, and solidifies years of development and leadership in the marketplace for electronic transcripts and other secure electronic documents.

As described in the patent summary, the technology provides for a single, integrated solution for the management of a complete and configurable secure document lifecycle process. It includes a messaging framework which integrates disparate technology components and enables a seamless flow of data between various modules in any one of multiple configurations across multiple deployment modes. It includes modular service components that can be run independently or in combination - a document ordering service module, a document generation service module, a document authentication service module, a document rights management module, and a document delivery service module. The system is also comprised of four system components to manage operations of the system. These components include a messaging framework, a management console, a billing system, and a monitoring system. The system is configurable to allow for deployment in multiple modes, including a fully automated integration to an institution's student information system.

"This is the culmination of a significant investment of time and resources to develop a world-class solution that our company, employees, partners, and clients can be proud of," said Ron Hyman, General Manager and co-inventor. "It has and will continue to change the way colleges and universities do business when securing, authenticating, and managing electronic transcripts and other important documents."

As creator of the Certified PDF Transcript™ and Transcript Tracker™, Avow Systems' solution has been adopted by the nation's leading higher education institutions to improve service to students and alumni, increase security, and reduce the costs associated with paper documents.

### **About Avow Systems, Inc.**

Avow Systems, Inc. is a software-as-a-service company which offers the only real-time, fully integrated service that supports ordering, PDF generation, certification, rights management and secure delivery of electronic transcripts as well as other high-stake documents. Avow hosts and maintains its Authentic Document Delivery Service (+ADDS)™ for leading institutions nationwide including Stanford University, University of Michigan, University of Pennsylvania, University of Kansas, DePaul University, University of Chicago, Pennsylvania State University, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, University of Colorado, University of Southern California, Indiana University, University of Minnesota, Princeton University, American Public University System, and many other premier institutions. For more information, please visit [www.avowsystems.com](http://www.avowsystems.com).