

## Media release

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### **Ascom MultiToll offers 'PCI DSS compliant' secure credit card payment service**

**Ascom MultiToll Solutions SAS, leading provider of toll collection systems world-wide, offers toll operators a PCI DSS compliant secured card treatment, integrated in its toll software solution MultiToll<sup>®</sup>, to ensure safe processing of their card payments for toll collection and prevent credit card fraud, identity theft, hacking and various other security vulnerabilities and threats. This solution is in deployment phase on the MEL MultiToll system in operation on M6 TOLL motorway in the UK.**

PCI DSS (Payment Card Industry Data Security Standard) is a worldwide security standard, developed by the Payment Card Industry Data Security Standards Council (PCI SSC), which regroups major credit card companies like MasterCard, American Express, JBC International and Visa, to increase consumer confidence in using credit cards for electronic payment. All companies which store, process, or transmit payment cardholder data must be PCI DSS compliant to guarantee the confidentiality and integrity of customer information.

For safe toll lane payment and subscribers card management the Ascom MultiToll bank card transaction treatment modules, which can be easily adapted to each external bank interface, provide PAN and card holder data confidentiality, using a protected authentication method to access card holder information needed for processing. The company has also implemented a strategy to treat end to end encryption by using public and private key crypt with RSA algorithm and added a data vault bank server to the system.

This solution is presently being deployed on the MEL MultiToll system in operation on M6 TOLL motorway in the UK.

#### **EMV certification for secured reading of smart cards**

Ascom MultiToll Solutions continues its investments in the field of secured bank transactions by implementing the new international EMV (Europay MasterCard Visa) specifications for motorways in its toll equipments (Ascom reader EMV MPAA certification under way). This standard will allow cross payment system interoperability at world level securing the reading of smart cards.

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