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## **Sunderland Libraries Choose SirsiDynix Unicorn Library Management System**

**LONDON, Feb. 15, 2006** – SirsiDynix, the global leader in strategic technology solutions for libraries bringing knowledge to people and communities, announced today that Sunderland's Public Library Service in England has chosen the SirsiDynix Unicorn® Library Management System to replace its current system.

The Unicorn system will be installed with Oracle on a Sun Enterprise V240 and will provide access via the SirsiDynix WorkFlows® graphical user interface to online public access catalog (OPAC) services, cataloging, authority control, circulation, acquisitions (with EDI), serials control and interlibrary loans, together with a knowledge portal to external services over the Internet. Access to the OPAC will also be available through the Internet via the iBistro electronic library. Sunderland will also be subscribing to the SirsiDynix iBistro DataStream™ service, which provides enriched catalog records so that users may view, along with the records, book reviews, tables of contents, book jacket images, synopses, annotations and author notes.

Jane Hall of Sunderland City Council said, "We are very confident that the Unicorn system that we have selected for all of Sunderland's 21 libraries will really give our drive to bring libraries into the 21<sup>st</sup> century a massive boost. Today's library service is as much about the quality of service we can deliver as it always was, but it's about much more than books on shelves now. We have to be super efficient and continually look for new ways to provide all our library users – from young people to students, people researching their family tree and those involved in lifelong learning – with access to the books and information they need."

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SirsiDynix is the global leader in strategic technology solutions for libraries – vital institutions whose primary mission is to make sense of the vast world of information for people and communities. This is an exciting role as libraries assist people in discovering and using knowledge, resources and other valuable content for their educations, jobs and entertainment. In concert with key industry partners, SirsiDynix supports this strategic role for libraries by offering a comprehensive integrated suite of technology solutions for improving the internal productivity of libraries and enhancing their capabilities for meeting the needs of people and communities. SirsiDynix has approximately 4,000 library and consortia clients, serving more than 200 million people through more than 20,000 library outlets in the Americas, Europe, Africa, the Middle East and Asia-Pacific. For more information, please see [www.sirsidynix.com](http://www.sirsidynix.com).

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