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Vermont releases Gateway as an open source project.

Montpelier, Vermont, United States - 17. Jun 2007 – The Vermont Department of Taxes Gateway Team is pleased to announce the initial [open source](#) release of Gateway. [Gateway](#) is a JavaEE application developed by the [Vermont Department of Taxes](#). It provides a web services framework for accepting [Streamlined Sales Tax](#) registrations and returns. It also includes a web interface for manually submitting transmissions. The goal is to build an extensible framework upon which future tax services can be built.

Many states have struggled implementing Streamlined Sales Tax and other XML-based electronic return systems. The Vermont Department of Taxes is venturing into the open source arena in an effort to improve interstate collaboration on development projects. Gateway is built leveraging a number of open source technologies, and using open source tools. It is designed to be easily modified and easily extended for use in other states.

The Vermont Department of Taxes Gateway Team is sharing this development work in hopes that it will help other states accomplish their goals while reducing costs for everyone.

More information can be found at the Gateway project website at <http://gateway.sourceforge.net>.