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Mobile access for office

INIT Innovation in Transportation Inc is a US provider of intelligent transport systems for public transit. It's used a free mobile app, the latest multi-technologies Architect Blue readers from STid, and offline and online programming tools to create new mobile access control for its employees and visitors. STid Mobile ID, pictured, from the access control product company STid, is a Bluetooth access control reader. Common supported credential technologies are Mifare, Mifare DESFire EV1/EV2, NFC and STid's mobile credentials using smartphone and Bluetooth for communications. Readers are at doors and entrances of the new corporate head offices. Employees and visitors use patented identification mode features and can access the building or other sensitive entrances within; without taking their smartphones out of the pocket or bag. Jamie Thomas, systems engineer for installer ABS Technology in Virginia, says of the Mobile ID: "This Bluetooth reader has so much technology built into it;



Case Study

An app on your smartphone for door access, working over Bluetooth
Photo courtesy of STid

it's future proof, easy to install and programme." Feedback on the mobile access has been positive and INIT USA Inc is exploring the Mobile ID's options to remotely assign and revoke mobile credentials to staff and visitors over the air. INIT USA Inc Director of IT, David Page said: "INIT desired an access control solution which mirrored our innovative technology solutions, matched our company culture, and was simple to install and administer. We wanted the ability to start with a small proof of concept and eventually grow it as this type of technology inevitably transitions to a fundamental employee expectation instead of a bleeding edge innovation." Robert Gailing, President of SMARTContactless,

STid's US Distributor said: "STid is really leading the market with innovative RFID reader solutions for security-minded professionals and end-users. The new STid Mobile ID reader solution, with its five methods of mobile credential presentation using the smartphone and customisable distance to 60 feet, there is virtually no where the reader cannot be utilized throughout any access control deployment." Vincent Dupart, CEO of STid, sees this new case as a sign of growing smartphone adoption that merges security and convenience. "The ability to use smartphones for access control is becoming increasingly important, as these devices are part of our everyday lives in the workplace." □