



## Stonefield Query a Logical Choice for Government Agency

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LOGIS

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Government

### Query Version

Software Developers Kit

### End Users

260+

### Dealer

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### Notable Quotes

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### LOGIS in the Spotlight

Local Government Information Systems (LOGIS) is a consortium of local government units in Minneapolis, Minnesota. They provide effective, reliable and adaptable technology solutions to public agencies through the sharing of ideas, risks, resources and costs. LOGIS has been a cooperative partnership of the Minnesota Government for over 30 years.

Lonnie Rolf is a program analyst with LOGIS. In 2005, he was part of a team of developers that created an in-house application to maintain information on city properties for assessment and taxation purposes.

### The LOGIS Problem

LOGIS developed the application using VB.Net and SQL Server 2000. A requirement of the program was to have ad-hoc query capability that was easy to use for data mining and reporting purposes. While they were trying to develop an in-house query application, they encountered two key problems.

LOGIS has several networks and servers with WAN or fiber backbones. They needed a program that could be deployed out to the various remote terminals. They also needed a program with the ability to create additional scripts, so that they could customize its behavior to meet their exact requirements. LOGIS looked at several alternatives and realized that none of these other report-writers met the needs of their atypical set-up.

### The Stonefield Solution

Doug Hennig is the Lead Developer of Stonefield Software Inc. While attending a VS Live Conference in San Francisco, California he met Lonnie Rolf. After discussing the key problems LOGIS had with the development of their in-house application,

Doug recommended Stonefield Query Software Developers Kit (SDK) as the solution to their data mining and reporting requirements.

Stonefield created a customized version of Stonefield Query for LOGIS. The customized version of the program enabled LOGIS to deploy Stonefield Query to end-users across the complex structure of their network. Stonefield Query has a built-in script writer that is flexible and easy to use.

Before LOGIS purchased Stonefield Query, they attended a free online webinar and tried out the free thirty-day trial version of the program. LOGIS worked with the Stonefield development team, and it did not take long to get Stonefield Query set up on their system. The LOGIS development team quickly realized this was the data mining and reporting solution they required, and it was a cost effective alternative to writing it themselves.

### The Result

The customized version of Stonefield Query integrated seamlessly into their complex network. Once deployed, end-users of all experience levels received about a half day of training. Now everyone from IT experts to the novice computer user can easily search for information and create the reports they require on a daily basis.

LOGIS has used Stonefield Query with their in-house system since February 2005. They have recently upgraded to the latest version, and have over 260 end-users.

Everyone at LOGIS loves Stonefield Query. In fact, Stonefield Query is the only tool they recommend. "We were looking for an ad-hoc query tool that was easy to use and economical. When we found Stonefield Query, the timing could not have been better. Stonefield Software really came through for us," Rolf commented.

