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## **Elected Official Data and District Matching for the United Kingdom Now Available through Azavea's Cicero™ API**

### **API Offers Address-Based District Matching & Elected Official Lookup for a Growing List of Countries**

**Philadelphia, PA, August 11, 2010** - [Azavea](#) (formerly Avencia), an award-winning Geographic Information Systems (GIS) software design and development firm, announces the addition of United Kingdom legislative data to [Cicero](#), Azavea's district matching and elected official lookup API. Cicero API users are now able to match addresses in England, Scotland, Wales, and Northern Ireland to their corresponding legislative districts, including:

- **UK Parliament (House of Commons)**
- **Greater London Assembly**
- **The Scottish Parliament**
- **The National Assembly for Wales**
- **Northern Ireland Assembly**

This most recent addition to the Cicero data collection further sets the API apart from similar services as a unique address-based, legislative district matching web service that offers access to a collection of elected official contact and legislative boundary data from around the world. The Cicero API already provides address-based district matching, maps of each legislative district, and contact information for local, state, and national elected officials in the United States, Canada, Australia, and New Zealand. The database also includes information for U.S. governors and lieutenant governors; U.S. police and school districts; and U.S. watersheds. All told, the Cicero system now includes over 10,700 legislative boundaries and information on over 12,000 elected officials.

Other recent Cicero developments include:

- **The addition of Nova Scotia provincial legislative boundaries and elected official data:** This completes Cicero's Canada dataset at the federal and provincial levels.
- **Private Cicero user account administrative pages:** Enables Cicero users to track credit usage, activity and change account information.

- **Data provider partnership with Salsa Labs**, a suite of tools for organizations, campaigns, and companies to use for online organizing, advocacy, fundraising, and communications: Salsa Labs customers can now stamp and segment their member databases with legislative districts and elected official contact information at the local, state, and national levels.

In 2009, Azavea released several additions and improvements to the Cicero API including support for ESRI's new [ArcGIS.com](http://ArcGIS.com) premium geocoding service and launched a [Cicero free account](#) to enable smaller organizations to use 1,000 credits for free every month for an unlimited amount of time. In addition, the firm launched a batch geocoding and district matching service. The service uses the same Cicero API provided to developers, but it enables users to send Azavea a database of addresses to be stamped with geographic coordinates, districts and legislator contact information and then returned to the customer.

The [Cicero API](#) currently provides legislative district boundaries and elected official information to public and private web applications for newspapers, election watchdog groups, philanthropic foundations, unions, arts organizations and private commercial firms.

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[Azavea](#) is an award-winning geospatial analysis (GIS) software development firm specializing in the creation of location-based web and mobile solutions, as well as geospatial analysis services to enhance decision-making. Azavea is committed to working on projects with a strong social value component in order to promote the emergence of more [dynamic, vibrant, and sustainable communities](#). Each of Azavea's projects, products and pro bono engagements showcases this commitment. Azavea is a certified [B Corporation](#). For more information, visit [www.azavea.com](http://www.azavea.com)

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