THE AUSTRALIAN ARCHIVES' RINSE SYSTEM SHARES AWARD

The RINSE System was installed to enable the efficient recording, manipulation, updating and distribution of information about Commonwealth records and the agencies or persons which created and/or controlled them. It has achieved this objective providing major improvements and time savings compared with the former manual system. It has enabled the Archives to provide more efficient and effective service to public and official clients.

RINSE was nominated for the Government Technology Productivity Award by the Department of Administrative Services (Australian Archives' parent department) together with NOMAD, a personnel management system.

The Awards, made annually, recognise sections and departments from federal, state and local governments, statutory authorities and public sector groups that have improved productivity, service and efficiency through the use of technology.

The Department of Administrative Services was presented with a gold award for the two systems at a ceremony at the National Convention Centre in Canberra on 26 February. The Australian Archives will also receive a certificate signed by the Governor-General.