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planning approvals. There are too many fiscal benefits to list in a single ad but another important factor is the work/life balance that is offered here. Original thinkers, original innovators. Right here in the Niagara region.



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Dr. Tim Nohara, President,
Accipiter Radar Technologies Inc.

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Peace Bridge to boost truck processing abilities

A fifth truck-processing lane at the Peace Bridge will be constructed thanks to a \$2 million grant from the Government of Canada. The additional lane and inspection booth will help reduce the number of trucks backed up on the three-lane bridge, allowing a smoother flow of traffic.

BizPaL welcomes St. Catharines, Welland

The City of St. Catharines and Welland have been added to Industry Canada's BizPaL online service.

BizPaL simplifies the business permit and licence process for entrepreneurs, governments, and third party business service providers. Easy and convenient, BizPaL provides Canadian businesses with one-stop access to permit and licence information for all levels of government. The service's primary goals are to slash document research time and help entrepreneurs start up faster.

For government, BizPaL provides the assurance that business clients will have the information they need to meet all permit and licence requirements quickly and efficiently. It also provides a way to improve the service experience for business clients, while gaining a competitive edge over other jurisdictions.

BizPaL is currently being run as a project by Industry Canada in partnership with several provincial, territorial and local governments. The BizPaL service is tailored specifically to each partner's needs and business base and is expanding rapidly across Canada.

www.bizpal.ca

Port Colborne's "Strategic Border Gateway" gains attention of U.S. magazine

Port Colborne has been identified by Business Expansion Journal as a strategic border gateway. The U.S.-based-publication's January 2009 Logistics and Warehousing issue included a half-page overview of the city and highlighted many unique advantages for the port and the community, which included several key infrastructure components such as canal access, range of port facilities, a public grain elevator, and short-line rail connections.

www.portcolborne.com

www.bxjonline.com

Niagara scientists develop avian radar system

When Pelham based Accipiter Radar Technologies Inc.'s engineering team developed its sophisticated tracking radar, the targets they had in mind were small, fast boats and low-flying aircraft used by terrorists and smugglers. In 2003, U.S. Navy scientists seeking better radar solutions for tracking birds at Navy airfields became aware of Accipiter's high-performance and cost-effectiveness and made the connection that the technology would apply to birds as well as it did terrorists.

Accipiter Avian Radar has since been installed at Navy, Marine Corps and Air Force bases from Alaska to the Carolinas including Elmendorf Air Force Base where a tragic crash due to a bird strike with a flock of Canada Geese killed an entire crew of 24 in 1995 and raised awareness of the risks of bird-aircraft collisions.

The recent high-profile crash of U.S. Airways flight 1549 into the Hudson River has generated public interest in the risks of bird strikes to aircraft and the initiatives that may be used to reduce the risk. It has also raised the profile of Accipiter where development of avian radar systems is continuing at a rapid pace at the company's Niagara Research and Development facility.

The Accipiter® system already permits seamless integration of multiple radars into a single display to cover large areas and remote control and viewing from any location with network access. The development team will continue to introduce

new features driven by specific needs of the wildlife control personnel who use the systems to improve aviation safety.

"We, at Accipiter Radar, have great respect for the challenging work done by wildlife control, air operators, and safety personnel at airports worldwide, and are proud to be able to assist them with the development of new radar based tools" commented Dr. Tim Nohara, President & CEO.

Accipiter Radar Technologies Inc. offers the world's most advanced, tracking surveillance radars using affordable PC-based processing to the Homeland Security and Aviation Safety markets worldwide. The Accipiter® product family encompasses the complete wide-area radar surveillance solution including target data acquisition, storage, management, analysis, distribution and visualization.

Accipiter has won the business of the world's most demanding customers including the U.S. Dept. of Homeland Security, the U.S. Federal Aviation Administration, every branch of the U.S. military and law enforcement agencies on both sides of the U.S./Canada border. Accipiter is a subsidiary of the experienced and respected Canadian defence contractor, Sicom Systems Ltd. and boasts one of the top radar engineering teams in North America with over 175 combined years of military radar development experience.

www.accipiterradar.com

Enrolment swells at Niagara College

Niagara College is experiencing a record increase in enrolment for winter 2009. Enrolment in the January start programs increased by 34 percent over the previous year. The provincial average was 10 percent. The college also had the largest enrolment jump in Ontario for fall 2008.

www.niagaracollege.ca

2009-2010 Niagara Canada Business Directory

The 2009-2010 Niagara Business Directory will be available in March. Published by the Niagara Economic Development Corporation, this comprehensive information source provides valuable contact and corporate information on more than 2,800 Niagara manufacturing and professional services businesses.

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