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WEBconference Reduces Global Warming

LONDON and NEW YORK, Jan. 16 /PRNewswire/ -- By eliminating back-and-forth travel to meetings, WEBconferences reduce the gas emissions that produce the greenhouse effect that in turn causes global warming. They also reduce many of the inconveniences of traveling: driving-related stress, speeding, being late, wait times, and the overall loss of time and money. WEBconferences are just like normal meetings but they are conducted virtually over the Internet. Presenters can give PowerPoint presentations, consult documents, use interactive on-screen graphics and even vote or display the results of collaborative efforts.

This eco-logic axis is a new challenger on the WEBconference industry, Tele-efficiency, who supports it. Their service, better known as Conferenceware, is registered in the technological ecosystem. It integrates with Outlook in order to plan a meeting and to invite contacts and with Skype, a Voice over IP worldwide network. It includes a free

audioconference service, in which the participants just make a long distance call, with accesses in North America and Europe, even better, free, with Skype.

According to the Forrester consulting firm, the WEBconference market has had a 28% annual increase in the last 5 years and this progression should continue until 2011, going from \$700 million USD to \$2.8 billion USD a year. Better known for its applications on the public WEBinar, the eMeeting applications should experience in themselves the strongest increase mainly among the multisite companies, those regarding knowledge as well as associations.

The cost of WEBconference services is usually based on per-minute and per-participant rates and, therefore, these services are very expensive. However, Conferenceware offers a free 30-day trial period followed by a fixed-rate quarterly or annual service contract that includes an unlimited number of meetings. Companies that use WEBconferences can reduce their traveling costs and improve the synergy of their meetings, since the latter can be held at any time, anywhere and even at a moment's notice.

Conferenceware has been launched simultaneously in three languages: French, English and Spanish, in 15 countries on all 5 continents. The address of its international English portal is <http://www.tele-efficiency.net>. With an interface available in several languages and that can be personalized with a company's image and logo, Conferenceware fosters cultural exchanges and international cooperation. An on-line demonstration is available at <http://www.demo.conferenceware.info>. It should be borne in mind that the prospect of events such as an avian flu epidemic could lead companies to adopt WEBconferences as part of their continuity strategy.

About Tele-efficiency

Tele-efficiency is a software editor that offers companies advanced telecommunication services in ASP mode. It is incorporated in the state of Delaware in the United States, held by Canadian interests, registered in Quebec and chaired by French Canadians, like the Cirque du Soleil. It is a virtual enterprise where collaborators work remotely and in networks around the world.

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