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### FormaShape Deploys Waveteq Solutions

The implementation of a [Waveteq](#) wireless broadband network for the main factory and adjoining yard at [FormaShape, 3D Architectural Design Solutions](#), is providing significant inventory management and efficiency benefits to FormaShape.

Formashape, together with its sister company [Whitewater West Industries](#), is the world leader in the design and manufacture of waterslides for the global amusement park market. Waveteq Communications Inc. builds and designs robust, multifunctional WiFi radios for rural and underserved markets worldwide.

"Not only do we now have a close to perfect tracking system that reduces timely follow up on customer order issues in the field, we have reduced our inventory count times from 24 hours to two," says Peter Jeffrey, President of FormaShape. "In addition we are now able to deal with any discrepancies immediately and resolve these within two days or less from the previous average of 14 days."

### *Vital Signs 2009 Report* SHARE YOUR VIEWS ON THE VITALITY OF OUR REGION

Members of the community are encouraged to participate in a survey that presents data and perceptions on 11 key areas that are critical to our Region's quality of life and well-being. The survey is part of a report being prepared by the Central Okanagan Foundation.



The survey includes 15 questions which will be used for the Vital Signs 2009 Report and to provide a base for comparison for the Vital Signs 2010 Report. The Central Okanagan Foundation is working with the Social Planning and Research Council of BC (SPARC) to implement and analyze the survey.

For more information contact Leanne Hammond Komori of the COF at [leanne\\_cof@shaw.ca](mailto:leanne_cof@shaw.ca)

To complete the survey [click here](#).



### Opportunity for Employers to Receive Training Funding for their Growth Employees

If you have one or more employees who have not completed high school and/or lack essential skills, you may qualify for the ASPECT Small Business Employer Training Program which is designed to benefit both employers and employees.



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Contact the Student, Graduate & Co-op Employment Centre for more information:  
(250) 862-5412  
Toll free:  
1-877-873-2452  
Email: [coop@okanagan.bc.ca](mailto:coop@okanagan.bc.ca)

The program, introduced in June by the Ministry of Small Business, Technology and Economic Development and the Ministry of Advanced Education and Labour Market Development is designed to provide small business with new training resources to meet their labour market demands. Training can be either job-specific or can focus on building essential skills such as computer use, literacy and working with others, to help employees expand their abilities and improve productivity.

The ASPECT Small Business Employee Training Program is being delivered by Bowman Employment Services in Kelowna.

For more information, contact Mark Kelly or Jamie McLellan at (250) 861-3100 or email [ok\\_sbet@bowmanemployment.com](mailto:ok_sbet@bowmanemployment.com)

**YLW Connection Magazine Available Online**

The Summer, 2009 edition of the YLW Connection, the official publication of the Kelowna International Airport is now available. The magazine is available free-of-charge at the YLW Terminal, Okanagan Visitor Info Centres, and select hotels and businesses.

To view the magazine online, [click here](#)

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