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Congressional Spotlight
Forum Receives National and International Recognition With Visit from Congressman Sam Johnson

Richardson, Texas August 26, 2005 – Forum Communications, Inc. and Security Solutions Install First Responder Solution at John Wayne International Airport

The Honorable Sam Johnson, United States Congressman for the Third District of Texas, and member of the prestigious Ways and Means Committee, visited the Forum Communications headquarters August 10th for a demonstration and preview of two new technologies engineered to provide solutions for homeland security requirements.

Congressman Johnson visited Forum Communications and reviewed their new “First Responder” technology for national and local emergency response. Stressing the importance of the notification and emergency management technology, the Congressman said he will advise federal agencies in Washington to consider replacing outdated response equipment with the new releases from Forum Communications.

Forum offers a variety of emergency collaboration and notification systems. “Everything is centered around an event.” Forum VP Richard Penn describes the different uses for the different Forum emergency systems, “Whatever it is that triggers that event, if it is in a campus environment, you need to alert the other parts of the campus. That’s when you would look at our Confer ALERT Plus system. It rings down to different centers across the campus and with Forum’s superior teleconferencing ability, you can implement continuity or evacuation plans. Once the team is connected in one conference call on the Forum ALERT, then they determine whether the resources in the immediate vicinity can contain the event. And they do that by communicating over the ALERT system.

“If the event affects a much larger area, like a chemical spill or local flooding, Forum’s Advanced Firebar solution can be utilized to contact hundreds of people and transfer them into multiple conference calls, each for their specific team focus: one call for the HAZMAT team, one call for all medical providers, one for traffic control, another for public relations and another for the mayor’s or governor’s office.
“Our larger system, the Blast-911, is designed for community phone companies or larger emergencies when you need to notify thousands or ten of thousands of people. Forum is the only manufacturer with the foresight to recognize the different needs at these different levels.”

The two new offerings are Forum’s Alert Plus, designed for first responders, homeland defense and campus security. Having common ground with that release, is Forum’s Blast-911, designed to provide cities and communities with the ability to blast dial residents and send a recorded messages that can specify local, state and national emergencies or evacuation orders. Both technologies raise the bar for economical deployment, ease of use, performance, robustness and standards compliance.

**NBC 5 Visits Forum Communications.**

Local media coverage shows Forum Engineer, Dean McConnell demonstrating the “ALERT PLUS” for Congressman Johnson, while Forum founder, Raj Natarajan, looks on.

Forum was featured in a Communications News magazine cover story last year and continues to get inquiries from all corners of the world for our Emergency Collaboration technology.

Blast-911 designer, Sudhir Gupta, and Raj Natarajan greet Congressman Sam Johnson of Texas at Forum Communications corporate offices in Richardson Texas.

**About Forum Communications**

Forum Communications has been at the forefront in Conference Server design with a 17 Year Commitment to design quality and customer satisfaction, with over 100,000 ports in service for Business, Federal, State and Local Governments, and DoD installations around the Globe.

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