



# Media Information

CAMBRIDGE BROADBAND AND BENCHMARK ELECTRONICS SHIP  
VECTASTAR 3500

*Revolutionary Broadband Fixed Wireless Access Units Ship to Customers*



Cambridge; August 13 2001: Cambridge Broadband Ltd (CBL) pioneers of broadband fixed wireless access solutions and Benchmark Electronics, one of the world's leading electronic manufacturing service providers, today announced the manufacture and shipment of Cambridge Broadband's innovative VectaStar 3500 broadband wireless units.

A close partnership between the two companies has drawn on Benchmark's manufacturing expertise to optimise the VectaStar's design for efficient manufacture as Mike Lees, Head of Manufacturing at CBL, explains. "Cambridge Broadband and Benchmark worked together on the Design for Manufacture of the VectaStar and several improvements were made to assist manufacturability following recommendations made by Benchmark."

Leen Wallace, Project Manager at Benchmark, adds: "CBL provided comprehensive automated test equipment that together with the product's self-calibrate feature made it

easier for us to ensure that the highest possible standards were achieved in manufacturing the units. Our New Product Introduction (NPI) team has been heavily involved in preparing the VectaStar units for volume production and we are delighted with the results that we have achieved.”

The VectaStar 3500 is the future of 3.5GHz broadband wireless technology. It is a 2<sup>nd</sup> generation, easy-install, low cost solution designed to maximise operator revenues through its unique combination of high throughput, low latency transmission.

Mike Lees concludes: “From clean sheet design to manufacture in less than 18 months is a fantastic achievement and is a credit to the skills and expertise of the CBL and BEI teams”.

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### **About CBL**

Cambridge Broadband has an experienced team with a strong record of successful innovation in broadband wireless equipment. Founded in January 2000, the company is focussed on delivering high quality multi-service networks with the best price-performance in bands up to 11 GHz for license holders worldwide. For more details visit [www.cambridgebroadband.com](http://www.cambridgebroadband.com)

### **About BEI:**

Benchmark Electronics Inc. (NYSE: BHE) is a Contract Electronic Manufacturer providing services for Original Equipment manufacturers. Services range from Design to Complete Order Fulfilment and encompass telecommunications equipment, computers and peripherals for enterprises, video/audio entertainment products, industrial control equipment, testing and instrumentation products, personal computers and medical devices.

Benchmark’s global operations include 16 facilities in six countries.

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