

Dates to Remember

Beef 2009

Friday, July 10, 2009
7:00am - 4:30pm
www.ilccalgary.com

AVAC AGM

Edmonton, AB; Union Bank Inn
Thursday, July 23, 2009

AVAC ANNUAL

Edmonton, AB; Shaw Conference Centre
Thursday, July 23, 2009

Food Ingredients

Bangkok, Thailand
Sept. 9 - 11, 2009
<http://fiasia.ingredientsnetwork.com/1>

2009 WCFN Annual Conference

Healthy Business
November 3 & 4
Delta Edmonton South
www.wcfn.ca

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Mark Your Calendars!

AVAC Ltd. requests your presence at the 2009 AVAC ANNUAL on July 23rd at Edmonton's Shaw Conference Centre.

After the success of our first AVAC ANNUAL in 2008 in Calgary, this year's conference and networking event moves to Edmonton.

Join AVAC Ltd. and hundreds of Alberta's sharpest entrepreneurs, most promising commercial businesses and related professionals for a half-day of presentations by experts on innovation, plus the year's best networking opportunities in the Life Sciences, ICT and Industrial Technology sectors.

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2009 AVAC ANNUAL

1-4 p.m.

Thursday July 23

Shaw Conference Centre, Edmonton

Watch your email for keynote speaker details.

Questions? Contact Kathryn Lyster at AVAC Ltd., 403-274-2774 or avacinfo@avacltd.com or visit www.avacltd.com

Biofuels and Bioenergy

August 23-26, 2009

Vancouver, BC, Canada

[http://www.
ieabioenergyconference.org/](http://www.ieabioenergyconference.org/)

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AVAC Member Spotlight

Kerry Keating understands the potential of Alberta's value-added sector.

The president and general manager of Alberta Oats Milling is also a longtime AVAC member and has seen first-hand how Alberta companies can benefit from including value-added products in their operations.

"Value-added products have tremendous potential for Alberta companies," notes Keating. "And we're absolutely interested in exploring how we can move up the value chain."

Alberta Oats Milling is a privately owned company based in Edmonton that processes and manufactures oats to food grade standards for sale around the world, including to the United States, and Central and South America. Alberta Oats also sells to one of the United States' largest oats product manufacturers, where Alberta oats are turned into breakfast cereal products for millions of consumers.

Alberta Oats Milling's current owner purchased the company just over five years ago. Since then Keating and his team of 28 employees have increased sales by a remarkable 300 per cent. "We've experienced some pretty incredible growth," admits Keating. "And we're quite proud of what we've accomplished."

Not that everything has been easy for Alberta Oats. "We had a significant set back about a year and a half ago when we had a massive fire that destroyed a good portion of our facility," recalls Keating. "We've since rebuilt our facility and have been back up and running for about seven months now." In that time the company has not only recovered from the devastating

fire, but has also managed to exceed their pre-fire sales and capacity.

In addition to increasing sales and capacity, Keating and his team are also expanding their work into value-added products “Now we’re moving up the value chain and looking ahead to develop value-added products like oat flakes, oat flour and oat bran,” say Keating. “So we are more interested than ever in the value-added side of things, especially in looking at how oats can fit within the wellness foods market.”

As part of exploring the potential of value-added oats products, Keating works with AVAC to network with other companies that are interested in pursuing value-added opportunities. “We enjoy a lot of benefits from networking with AVAC and talking to other companies and other people that are focused on made-in-Alberta, value-added products,” notes Keating. “The people we meet through AVAC are progressive and forward thinking, and we’ve even had some sales come out of that networking.”

As an AVAC member Keating also has the chance to share his experience and expertise with young Alberta companies. “AVAC is a company that really supports agriculture, and working with AVAC allows us to share our ideas, offer input, and learn from others as well.”

SemBioSys Selling Common Shares

Alberta based SemBioSys is a world leader in manufacturing high-value proteins and oils in plant seeds. Most likely ending in and around July 6, 2009, SemBioSys is selling common shares across Canada only (except the province of Quebec) for \$0.55. They are a publically traded company on the TSE as SBS and are selling a minimum of 8,572,000 units up to a maximum of 21,429,000 units.

Ceapro Raises Funds for Sales, Research and Development

By issuing common shares at a price of \$0.10 each Ceapro has raised \$466,000.00 in Non-Brokered Private Placement. A total of 4,660,000 common shares were issued under the private placement. Different Directors and officers of Ceapro participated and purchased a combined total of 910,000 common shares. Ceapro will use the proceeds in many different areas including sales, marketing and research and development. Ceapro Inc. is a Canadian growth-stage biotechnology company. Primary business activities relate to the development and commercialization of active ingredients using proprietary technology and natural, renewable resources.