

'Battle Proof' In-Vehicle Mobile Data Terminal Gives Voice and Data Communications with GPS in One Unit

Helsinki, 21 May 2003 - Oy Finnohm Ab has launched a state-of-the-art in-vehicle Mobile Data Terminal (MDT) incorporating voice and data communication with satellite positioning. Called the Waveon 728, the MDT, which manufactured by InfoWave Pte Ltd (InfoWave), doubles as a powerful micro-computer with Windows CE. Offering a very bright TFT touch-screen, the unit is based on military-standard rugged design for assured reliability in the toughest commercial vehicle applications.

A unique feature of the Waveon 728 is the in-built GPS and GPRS/GSM technology allowing both voice and data communications and live tracking worldwide. This provides significant cost savings as there is no need to purchase or install separate mobile phones, data terminals or GPS units. The all-in-one-design also eliminates the need for connections to separate GPS boxes and antennae; simplifying installation and allowing easy transfer between vehicles. The Waveon 728 can be installed in taxis, buses, vans, trucks, emergency vehicles and any other types of vehicles and fleets.

Oy Finnohm Ab has considerable expertise in terminals used in all kinds of vehicles and this pedigree has fed through to the rugged design of Waveon 728. It will withstand the hostile conditions associated with vehicle vibration and extremes of temperature. Electrical and electronic shielding prevents interference from other vehicle electronics. The other striking feature of the terminal is the screen. This specially designed anti-glare polarized resistive touch panel significantly reduces reflection within the vehicle and provides easy visibility to the driver even in the brightest daylight.

As well as the core operating systems, the Waveon 728 is supplied with a standard GSM Dialer software providing a 'ready to go' communications functionality for both voice and data. In addition, Oy Finnohm Ab will provide a full software development kit for writing applications.

The manufacturer InfoWave is a joint-venture between ST Electronics (Info-Comm Systems) (STEE-InfoComm or formerly known as CET Technologies), Trek 2000 and Melodeon. The company is an established worldwide manufacturer of mobile devices and a pioneer in integrated computer and communication devices for telematics and mobile data. With headquarters in Singapore, the Waveon 728 is the first product to be launched by InfoWave in Europe. The company will be announcing distributors shortly.

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