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**CITY OF CAMBRIDGE AND BNET ANNOUNCE FEBRUARY TRAINING DATES
FOR USERS OF THE CORPORATE EMERGENCY ACCESS SYSTEM (CEAS)**

Cambridge, Massachusetts – The City of Cambridge and Business Network of Emergency Resources (BNet) jointly announced the first in a series of training sessions for users of the newly introduced Corporate Emergency Access Systems (CEAS). The CEAS program was designed by BNet, a not-for-profit organization dedicated to establishing practical, effective emergency and crisis management solutions through partnerships between local government and business.

“The City of Cambridge recognizes the importance of institutional resiliency especially in this vital hub of scientific research. We brought CEAS to our city with the intent of maintaining our strength and ability to quickly recover from a disaster, we now must encourage our companies, institutions and organizations to have the same foresight,” said David O’Conner, Cambridge’s Director of Emergency Management.

By providing this program, the City of Cambridge acknowledges the need to help businesses empower themselves during times of crisis, enabling their employees to gain quick access to their places of business within a restricted area following a local emergency or disaster. Credentialed employees can ensure the continuity of critical business functions and maintain guardianship of their organization until normal conditions return.

The training sessions are geared to those individuals who will be responsible for administering the program within their respective organizations. The course will familiarize participants with the application process and navigation through the basic functions of the web based card management system.

The free training sessions will be held on Thursday, February 16th from 1:00 PM to 3:00 PM and on Friday, February 17th from 9:00 AM to 11:00 AM and 1:00 PM to 3:00 PM in the Lombardi Building.

**Cambridge MIS Training Room
Lombardi Building
831 Massachusetts Avenue
Cambridge**

**(Two blocks west of Central Square T station, next to City Hall)
(The building is accessible to persons with disabilities)**

To enroll in the February training session send an e-mail to: training@ceas.com, indicating your name, institution, contact phone number and the session you wish to attend. BNet will conduct additional sessions in the near future as well as web cast presentations for those unable to attend the sessions in person. Visit www.ceas.com for more information about the Corporate Emergency Access System.

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About Business Network of Emergency Resources, Inc (BNet)

BNet, headquartered in New York City, is a not-for-profit corporation dedicated to establishing practical and effective emergency and crisis management solutions through partnerships between the public and private sector. Created by BNet, the Corporate Emergency Access System (CEAS) uses a ‘critical employee access card’ system to mitigate the economic loss incurred through any business emergency and accelerate recovery time for both business and government. For more information see www.ceas.com.