Home comfort products at Dusseldorf show

At DOMOTECHNICA 86, in Dusseldorf, West Germany, February 4-7, eight Canadian companies will display appliances designed to improve home comfort and make household chores easier.

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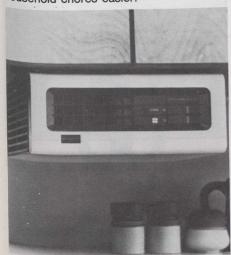
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This space-saving air cleaner/ionizer from Biotech fits under a kitchen cabinet.

Major kitchen equipment on display in the Canadian exhibit, sponsored by the Department of External Affairs, will include energy-saving refrigerators, self-cleaning ovens, and spacious dishwashers. Electric cooking utensils like fryers, grills, skillets and kettles will also be shown.

For the rest of the home, the Canadian exhibit will include clothes washers and dryers, powerful floor and carpet vacuum cleaners, and air purifiers.

The Canadian companies that will be represented at DOMOTECHNICA 86 are:

- Appollo Vacuum Corporation industrial and commercial vacuum cleaners;
- Biotech Electronics Limited air purifiers and humidifiers;
- Budd Vacuum Company CANA-VAC built-in vacuum cleaning systems;
- CAMCO Inc. major home appliances including refrigerators, washers and dryers;
- Creative Appliance Corporation Limited electric kettles and other small appliances;

Frigidaire – a division of WCI Canada



Inglis will be one of the Canadian firms displaying major kitchen appliances.

Limited – major appliances including ranges, dishwashers and freezers;

- Inglis Limited large and small home appliances; and
- Toastess Inc. portable electric cooking appliances.

More monthly export gains in merchandise trade

Preliminary estimates from Statistics Canada show that Canada's merchandise exports rose in October 1985 for the third consecutive month to a record \$10.9 billion. This represents a 2.1 per cent gain over the September level which had increased 7 per cent over month to a record \$10.9 billion. This represents a 2.1 per cent gain over the September level which had increased 7 per cent over the August figure and nearly 20 per cent on the July total. (See *Canada Reports*, December 4, 1985.) The largest October export increases were: energy products, with major sales in coal, refined petroleum and coal products; agricultural goods, where wheat sales reached the highest value this year; and automotive products where truck exports were up by 15.9 per cent. The rise in total sales reached the highest value this year; and automotive products where truck exports were up by 15.9 per cent. The rise in total exports was attributable to Japan, other member states in the Organization for Economic Co-operation and Development and a number of other countries. Following are figures indicating merchandise trade by principal trading areas:

| Trading area | September | October | Change | Total January-October | Change from 1984 | |
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| | (\$ millions) | | (per cent) | (\$ millions) | (per cent) | (\$ millions) |
| Exports to: United States Japan Britain Other EEC countries Other OECD countries Other countries Total | 8 439.5 542.6 223.6 391.3 169.4 906.8 | 8 367.9 648.6 218.4 349.4 232.0 1 079.8 | - 0.8 19.5 - 2.3 -10.7 37.0 19.1 | 78 706.6 4 843.8 2 034.7 3 595.3 1 927.0 8 993.9 | 11.4 4.2 - 2.9 -3.9 11.8 -11.1 | 8 039.6 196.0 - 60.7 -146.4 202.9 -1 127.8 7 103.7 |
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