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CSA INTERNATIONAL AND AUTOMOTIVE MANUFACTURERS EQUIPMENT COMPLIANCE AGENCY TESTING AGREEMENT

Washington, DC – The Automotive Manufacturers Equipment Compliance Agency (AMECA) today announced that it has extended CSA International’s accreditation to test automotive equipment.

AMECA works on behalf of the U.S. federal government’s General Services Administration (GSA), and state police forces in approximately 24 U.S. states to ensure that aftermarket automotive components meet applicable standards.

CSA International, a leading certification and testing organization, has been accredited by AMECA since 1980 – and by its precursor the American Association of Motor Vehicle Administrators (AAMVA) – to certify components such as headlights, signal lights, and windshield and side window glazing.

AMECA requires every laboratory to establish and utilize a documented calibration program to assure the required degree of accuracy in measurements. The documented accuracy of all measurement instrument standards remain traceable to primary standards maintained by the National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST) of the United States of America, or the national physical laboratory maintaining such standards in the country in which the laboratory is located.

Only technically proficient, professional laboratories that maintain a record keeping system with a calibration program, and that have demonstrated the ability test to every aspect to the relevant safety standard, are granted AMECA accreditation.

CSA International has clearly shown that it has the necessary personnel, equipment and processes in place to produce accurate, repeatable and technically valid test data to meet the rigorous requirements of the AMECA accreditation process.

About CSA International

CSA International is a provider of product testing and certification services for electrical, mechanical, plumbing, gas and a variety of other products. Recognized in the U.S., Canada and around the world, CSA’s marks appear on billions of products worldwide. CSA International is a division of CSA Group, which also includes CSA, a developer of standards and codes, and QMI, a leading North American management systems registrar. CSA International can be found online at www.csa-international.org.

About AMECA

The AMECA Equipment Compliance program is a centralized one-stop program that notifies government, industry and the general public about items of motor vehicle safety equipment that have been tested by an AMECA-accredited laboratory and found to be in compliance with applicable United States standards. Its clients and market are the national and international automotive industry, the standards-setting community, the federal government's General Services Administration (GSA), numerous state governments, as well as some foreign governments.

AMECA maintains a listing of items that have been tested and currently comply with the applicable standards. This listing is updated quarterly and sold by annual subscription to industry and the public. For more information, visit www.ameca.org.