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Press Release

WORLDPAC Delivers Fourth Supplier & Training EXPO (STX) in Dallas, TX

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WORLDPAC recently held their fourth Supplier & Training EXPO (STX) on April 21-24, 2016 at the Gaylord Texan Resort and Convention Center in Dallas, TX. The event was initially created in 2009 as WORLDPAC's vision to help customers better succeed in the changing aftermarket environment. It has since grown into an eagerly anticipated biennial opportunity for WORLDPAC customers to learn the latest in advanced vehicle technology as well as critical business skills needed to take an independent repair business to the next level of service profitability. Attendees also enjoy peer-to-peer networking and an exclusive opportunity to discuss products with premier suppliers and manufacturers at the evening EXPOs.

During the four day event more than 1600 total participants, including elite independent repair professionals from the United States, Canada and Puerto Rico, experienced more than 600 total hours of advanced-technical and business training. Over 160 new classes taught by industry expert instructors was one of the keys in drawing record attendance. Each full day of training was followed by an evening EXPO and tools and equipment show featuring over 130 OE and premier international aftermarket suppliers and manufacturers.

"Our goal is to provide our customers with professional management training to help grow their business, advanced technical training to meet today's demands of diagnosing and repairing the most advanced vehicles, and create a culture of dialogue between our premium supplier partners and customer community," said Bob Cushing, President and CEO, WORLDPAC. "We take great pride in continuing to offer exclusive curriculum as well as opportunities to provide solutions for a rapidly changing business environment; our world-class STX event is consistently a part of connecting technology and innovation on all levels. We are incredibly pleased with the success of the event, only possible due to the tremendous support of our team members, partners, suppliers and customers, and look forward to continuing it in the future."

Mario Recchia, WORLDPAC Senior Vice-President of Marketing added, "Customer education has always been pivotal in our overall value proposition to our customers. This event is a culmination of over a year's effort in putting together an event where we can assist in advancing our customers education through

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instructor led classes and direct interaction with our supplier community. We will continue this throughout the year with the WORLDPAAC Training Institute (WTI) and look forward to STX 2018,”

Attending WORLDPAAC customers offered enthusiastic feedback about their experiences:

“Once again, WORLDPAAC has outdone itself at this year’s Supplier & Training EXPO! I want to thank you and your team for another great event. The location, the service, the EXPO and the training classes were excellent!” commented Kim Auernheime of Cool Springs Automotive in Brentwood, TN.

Peter Kjellberg of Swedish Car Clinic in Harbor City, CA said, “Absolutely great event! The task of organizing an event of this size and with so much great content is staggering, and the WORLDPAAC team pulled it off again. Amazing!”

“This was a very well organized event. The amount of information was amazing. The next event we will close the shop and bring the entire staff,” said Alexander of Riverside Import Auto in Glenwood Springs, CO.

Exclusive advanced-level technical and business classes were developed by the WORLDPAAC Training Institute (WTI) in collaboration with WTI partner suppliers including ACDelco, Akebono, Bilstein, Bosch, CRP, Delphi, Denso, Gated, KYB, Hella, Mopar, Monroe, Motorcraft, Schaeffler Group, TRW, ZF and more who, along with many others, also participated in the EXPO.

Additional event highlights include a presentation from Bob Cushing featuring an inside view into WORLDPAAC & the automotive landscape today, a tool and equipment sales event, EXPO raffle featuring over \$150,000 valuable prizes including diagnostic tools, lifts, tire balancers, gift cards and more.

About WORLDPAAC, Inc.

WORLDPAAC imports and distributes OE and quality aftermarket replacement parts to independent import and domestic service centers in the US, Canada and Puerto Rico. SpeedDIAL, WORLDPAAC’s exclusive online catalog and fulfillment ordering software, contains more than 7 million imports and domestic, multiple brand applications for virtually ‘All Makes, All Models’. The company also offers extensive customer services including their highly praised WTI technical & business training and targeted customer marketing solutions. WORLDPAAC has over 120 locations throughout North America and Puerto Rico.

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