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TYC™'s CAPA-Certified Lamps Create Opportunities and Profit

La Palma, California, August 16, 2006 -- While the TYC™ brand of automotive replacement products has become synonymous with 'quality' among distributors, repairers, and insurance adjusters since its inception in the North American aftermarket in 1991, the company, in a continual effort to satisfy its customers and benefit the automotive repairs industry, had raised the bar once again by certifying lamps to the CAPA automotive lighting standard.

Certified Automotive Parts Association (CAPA) created standards for the objective evaluation and certification of sheet metal, bumper, and other automotive collision replacement parts. However, exterior lighting products, as crucial as they are in representing approximately a quarter of the total cost of replacement parts in an average collision repair, have not been included in the scope of certification standards until April 2002. TYC™, through extensive collaborations with CAPA, became the first manufacturer to achieve CAPA lighting certification last September subsequent to joining CAPA in July of 2005.

CAPA-certified TYC™ lighting products are of OE-comparable form (appearance), fit (installation), and function (performance), are highly regarded as viable alternatives to OE counterparts, and are quickly gaining awareness and enthusiastic acceptance at reputable distributors and insurers. With the initial release of over 100 popular items, TYC™'s CAPA-certified lamps currently represent 20% of total replacement opportunities, equating to over \$800 million in retail replacement automotive parts. In offering high quality replacement lamps and creating repair opportunities/options, TYC™'s development efforts substantially reduce the number of vehicles that are written off as total loss by the insurers.

TYC™'s one million square feet facility in Taiwan is equipped with the most advanced photometric laboratories and environmental testing equipments. To achieve CAPA 301 certification, lighting products must pass comprehensive testing in fit, form, and compliance with Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standard (FMVSS) 108. In addition, CAPA certification includes other stringent requirements and tests including metallurgical/material composition, coating durability, mechanical performance, adhesives effectiveness, among others. In addition to meeting CAPA requirements to develop, test, and release new lighting applications on a continual basis going forward, TYC™ also demonstrates its unwavering commitment to CAPA certification via its active participation (via a pre-appointed delegate) in the CAPA Technical Committee, a collaborative forum comprised of repairers, distributors, insurers and manufacturers to review and maintain CAPA's quality standards, as well as discuss and address certification-related concerns.

TYC™ is an ISO/QS/Ford Q1/TS16949 certified automotive lighting manufacturer, with over two decades of experience in lighting design and manufacture. In addition to servicing the aftermarket, TYC™ also designs and manufactures original equipment lighting products for Ford, GM, International Truck & Engine, Isuzu, Suzuki, Ducati, Lucas and Magnetti Marelli. Since TYC™ commenced distribution in the U.S. in 1991, Genera, TYC™'s distributor for North America, has sold over 30 million aftermarket replacement lamps in the U.S. and Canada.

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