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AutoNation Names DuPont's ProfitNet "Technology of the Year"

WILMINGTON, Del., April 9, 2007 – AutoNation, Inc., America's largest automotive retailer, named DuPont's ProfitNet Management System the Technology of the Year at its recent annual Vendor Recognition Awards banquet. DuPont is the sole supplier of paint refinishing products for this family of auto dealerships.

ProfitNet has been implemented into AutoNation's collision centers throughout the country. In presenting the award, Laura Payne, director of purchasing for AutoNation, said that ProfitNet "will position AutoNation as the industry leader in collision repair."

"DuPont has partnered with us in a way that no other company has," Payne said, citing an "exceptional comprehensive program they developed exclusively for AutoNation."

"This management system will allow us to do more accurate estimating, have standardized reports and at the end of the day, operate more productively and profitably," she said.

Accepting the award for DuPont at the ceremony in Fort Lauderdale were Howard Wehnes, national accounts manager for DuPont Performance Coatings and Ervin Clark, DPC National OEM/Mega dealer group manager.

DuPont is a science-based products and services company. Founded in 1802, DuPont puts science to work by creating sustainable solutions essential to a better, safer, healthier life for people everywhere. Operating in more than 70 countries, DuPont offers a wide range of innovative products and services for markets including agriculture and food; building and construction; communications; and transportation.

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