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Three Students Awarded Scholarships From the Larry W. McCurdy Memorial Scholarship Fund

RESEARCH TRIANGLE PARK, N.C. – Three students have been selected as recipients of scholarships from the Larry W. McCurdy Memorial Scholarship Fund, established by Affinia Group Inc. within the University of the Aftermarket Foundation to honor McCurdy, chairman of the board of Affinia Group Inc., who passed away in August 2010.

The Larry W. McCurdy Memorial Scholarship Fund awards three \$2,500 scholarships per year to students in four-year programs preparing for aftermarket careers in engineering, business, accounting or other professional positions. The recipients for the 2014-2015 academic year are:

- Masey Peone, Ellensburg, Wash. – a rising senior at Central Washington University pursuing a bachelor's degree in Public Relations, Marketing/Advertising
- Megan Coburn, Brighton, Mich. – a rising senior at Albion College pursuing a bachelor's degree in Communications and Business
- John Coolidge, Winfield, Ill. – an incoming freshman at Indiana University-Bloomington pursuing a bachelor's degree in Marketing

For more information on the Larry W. McCurdy Memorial Scholarship Fund and the Global Automotive Aftermarket Symposium (GAAS) scholarship program, visit www.AutomotiveScholarships.com.

About the University of the Aftermarket Foundation

Since 1986, the University of the Aftermarket Foundation (formerly the AWDA University Foundation) has provided funding for aftermarket educational programs and research. Through its grant program, the Foundation and its donors ensure that education has a positive, stabilizing influence on the future of the aftermarket. The Foundation reached a milestone during the fourth quarter of 2006 by surpassing \$5 million in donations during its ongoing endowment campaign. For more information about the University of the Aftermarket Foundation, call (816) 584-0511.

About the GAAS Scholarship Program

The GAAS program is a joint professional education effort of the Alliance of State Automotive Aftermarket Associations (ASAAA), Auto Care Association, Automotive Aftermarket Suppliers Association (AASA), Automotive Industries Association (AIA) of Canada, Automotive Parts

Rebuilders Association (APRA), Automotive Service Association (ASA), Automotive Warehouse Distributors Association (AWDA), Motorist Assurance Program (MAP), Motor & Equipment Manufacturers Association (MEMA), Specialty Equipment Market Association (SEMA), Tire Industry Association (TIA) and University of the Aftermarket.