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## News from Innovation Works: THEBIS<sup>™</sup> Noise and Vibration Diagnostic Unit

## Quickly Pinpoints Location and Source of Noise or Vibration

**KENOSHA, Wis. – January 21, 2010 –** Did you hear that sound? If you use the Snap-on THEBIS<sup>™</sup> Noise and Vibration Diagnostic Unit (LD6900), you will be able to pinpoint the source of noise and vibration in underhood, undercar and vehicle interiors faster and more easily than ever before.

"The LD6900 THEBIS<sup>™</sup> is truly a cutting-edge product that is unlike anything on the market today," said Michael DeKeuster, category manager for Snap-on. "It is designed to selectively diagnose drivetrain noises, bearing noises and suspension rattles as well as engine noises and chassis squeaks. It is truly a revolutionary product that will save you time and effort."

The innovative features of the Snap-on THEBIS™ Noise and Vibration Diagnostic Unit (LD6900) include:

- Six separate channels to allow selectable inputs and an LCD display for waveform visualization, frequency adjustment, recording events and voice memo functions.
- Four inductive clamps that pick-up vibrations and noise from the chassis and driveline.
- Two vent transducers that pick up sounds from various locations in a vehicle's drivetrain (transmission, gearbox and engine).
- Listening wand and contact probe for use as an electronic stethoscope for interior and underhood applications.
- Features a high-quality headphone set with a boom microphone for recording voice memos.
- PC down-load capability to manage recorded .wav files, used for customer playback and/or file sharing.
- 10 channel band-pass filter allows user to selectively tune-out undesired background noises.
- Recorded files are stored on USB memory stick (included) for easy playback on PC.

Customers can find out more about Snap-on's THEBIS<sup>™</sup> Noise and Vibration Diagnostic Unit (LD6900) by contacting their participating Snap-on franchisee, visiting <u>www.snapon.com</u> or by calling toll free 877-SNAPON-2 (877-762-7662).

## **About Snap-on Innovation Works**

Snap-on's Innovation Works is a new 15,000 square foot facility located at Snap-on's Kenosha campus and provides a resource for Snap-on's entire global organization. It includes several defined areas each specifically designed to support a vibrant user-centered innovation process. Included is a state-of-the-art service garage, prototyping room, 3D modeling facility, display and application room, customer observation room, innovation library and training room. Importantly, this centerpiece facility supplements the many local innovation resources and infrastructure already in place throughout Snap-on's global footprint.

## **About Snap-on Tools**

Snap-on Tools is a subsidiary of Snap-on Incorporated, a leading global innovator, manufacturer and marketer of tools, diagnostics and equipment solutions for professional users. Product lines include hand and power tools, tool storage, diagnostics software, information and management systems, shop equipment and other solutions which are used by technicians and professionals at vehicle dealerships and repair centers and in the marine, powersports and aviation industries. Snap-on Tools is one of the largest non-food franchise companies in the world, selling its products through more than 4,500 franchisees worldwide and through company-direct sales and over the Internet. Snap-on Incorporated, which was founded in 1920, is a \$2.9 billion, S&P 500 company located in Kenosha, Wis. with operations throughout the world. For additional information visit <u>www.snapon.com</u>.

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