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Snap-on Acquires Challenger Lifts

Expands Product Offering for Repair Shop Owners and Managers

KENOSHA, Wis. — May 14, 2013 — Snap-on Incorporated (NYSE: SNA), a leading global innovator, manufacturer and marketer of tools, equipment, diagnostics, repair information and systems solutions for professional users performing critical tasks, today announced that it has acquired Challenger Lifts, Inc. ("Challenger") for approximately \$38 million in cash. Challenger, with 2012 sales of approximately \$45 million, designs, manufactures and distributes a comprehensive line of vehicle lifts and accessories to a diverse customer base in the automotive repair sector.

"Challenger is an important addition to our Repair Systems & Information Group," said Nick Pinchuk, Snap-on chairman and chief executive officer. "The Challenger vehicle lift product line complements and increases Snap-on's existing undercar equipment offering, broadening our established capabilities in serving vehicle repair facilities. We believe this acquisition will further Snap-on's progress along its strategic and coherent growth runway of expanding with repair shop owners and managers. We look forward to welcoming Challenger associates to the Snap-on family."

About Snap-on

Snap-on Incorporated is a leading global innovator, manufacturer and marketer of tools, equipment, diagnostics, repair information and systems solutions for professional users performing critical tasks. Products and services include hand and power tools, tool storage, diagnostics software, information and management systems, shop equipment and other solutions for vehicle dealerships and repair centers, as well as for customers in industries, including aviation and aerospace, agriculture, construction, government and military, mining, natural resources, power generation and technical education. Snap-on also derives income from various financing programs to facilitate the sales of its products. Products and services are sold through the company's franchisee, company-direct, distributor and internet channels. Founded in 1920, Snap-on is a \$2.9 billion, S&P 500 company headquartered in Kenosha, Wisconsin.

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the Securities and Exchange Commission, including the information under the "Safe Harbor" and "Risk Factors" headings in its Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 29, 2012, which are incorporated herein by reference. Snap-on disclaims any responsibility to update any forward-looking statement provided in this news release, except as required by law.

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