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Snap-on Introduces MICROSCAN[®] Scanner Diagnostic Platform

LINCOLNSHIRE, Ill., Sept. 13, 2010 - Need solid power at a high value? Snap-on's new MICROSCAN[®] Scanner diagnostic platform delivers fast and easy Global OBD-II diagnostics at the right price. MICROSCAN is the ultimate in ease and portability, allowing shops to verify repairs, road test, check emission monitors and solve basic engine and driveability problems, faster.

"Every shop needs a shared tool to keep at the ready. MICROSCAN is fast and easy enough for the beginner technician or service writer to use at the service desk to assess incoming vehicles and help manage workflow," said Chris Hockett, product manager, Snap-on Diagnostics. "There are times when even the most experienced technician needs a fast tool to clear codes, check emissions readiness or simplify jobs. MICROSCAN makes Global OBD-II diagnostics easy without tying up the shop's high-end diagnostic system."

Other tools can pull OBD-II codes, but MICROSCAN is not simply a code reader. Technicians get all 10 modes of OBD-II for a complete diagnosis – read and clear codes, view live data, emissions readiness, onboard monitors, pending codes, permanent codes, and much more. In addition, they can record and playback 64-frame data files.

With MICROSCAN PRO, technicians get enhanced engine codes for GM, Ford and Chrysler, plus ABS codes. With the optional OBD-I adapter set, the MICROSCAN can diagnose older vehicles.

Many OBD-II tools can show live data in text mode. But technicians also need a clear picture to see how live data changes over time, MICROSCAN offers live data graphing. Display and compare any two live data graphs side-by-side to see cause and effect.

Another MICROSCAN exclusive - Snap-on's Troubleshooter code tips get technicians to the root cause of a trouble code faster, saving diagnosis and repair time. Code tips show the most likely causes for thousands of common vehicle problems.

Technicians will also appreciate MICROSCAN's time-saving plug-and-play feature. MICROSCAN gets to work as soon as it is connected to a vehicle. It automatically powers up, determines vehicle protocol and displays any trouble codes in as little as 10 seconds.

MICROSCAN is the fast route from code to confident repair. Contact a Snap-on representative for more information or visit <http://diagnostics.snapon.com>.

About Snap-on Diagnostics:

Snap-on Diagnostics is part of Snap-on Incorporated, leading global innovator, manufacturer and marketer of tool, diagnostic and equipment solutions for professional tool users. Products are sold through its franchised dealer van, company-direct sales and distributor channels, as well as over the Internet. Founded in 1920, Snap-on is headquartered in Kenosha, Wisconsin.

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