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# Snap-on Receives Three *MOTOR Magazine* Top 20 Tools Awards

Only Company to Receive Three Awards This Year

**KENOSHA, Wis.** – **September 10, 2013** – Snap-on Incorporated (NYSE:SNA), a leading global innovator, manufacturer and marketer of tools, diagnostics, equipment, software and service solutions for professional users, announced it has won three *MOTOR Magazine* Top 20 Tools Awards for 2013. The Snap-on<sup>®</sup> 1/4-inch Drive 8mm and 10mm Semi-Deep Flip Socket, VERUS<sup>®</sup> PRO Diagnostic and Information System and John Bean<sup>®</sup> Touchless Alignment Wheel Clamp were selected by the editors of *Motor Magazine* as being "truly new and innovative."

"Our mission fits very well with the criteria for this competition which is to make the jobs of professional shop owners and technicians easier. We believe all three of these innovations achieve that goal," said Tom Ward, president, Repair Systems and Information Group. "We are honored to be recognized by the technical editors of *Motor Magazine* as the only company to receive three of these prestigious awards this year."

Each year the call goes out to the world's automotive tool designers, manufacturers and suppliers for their latest and greatest tools. The winners of the Top 20 Tools Awards were chosen from among hundreds of entries for quality, ingenuity and making the panel say, "Wow! We've never seen anything like this before."

### **VERUS PRO Diagnostic and Information System**

The *Snap-on VERUS* PRO is a top-of-the-line diagnostic and information system that combines an exclusive suite of tools to give professional service technicians the ability to bring all of the answers to the bay wirelessly, in one tool, to manage the job from start to finish. It is the most powerful diagnostic platform ever, built for technicians who want solid quality hardware, long-term software and support, wireless productivity, broad vehicle coverage and access to web resources in the bay.

*VERUS* PRO integrates everything that technicians' need into one tool: scanner, scope, data manager, waveform library, schematics, TSBs, online technical forum, Fast-Track<sup>®</sup> Troubleshooter, guided test procedures and verified repair tips. The optional ShopKey<sup>®</sup> Repair Information System gives technicians quick access to complete repair guidance for virtually any light vehicle on the road.

### AC400 Touchless Alignment Wheel Clamp from John Bean

Fast and easy-to-use, the *John Bean* Touchless Alignment Wheel Clamp is unique in the marketplace because it allows technicians to securely clamp to the tire without touching the rim. A single fast-action adjustment knob adjusts to a full range of tire sizes, without exchanging accessories, and in just a few turns; making the AC400 fast and easy to use.

The clutch-limited clamping force of the *John Bean* AC400 Touchless Alignment Wheel Clamp ensures consistent and secure attachment. With its patented, self-centering design, the *John Bean* AC400 allows measurement of cross-diagonal and tire-rolling radius that helps to reveal collision damage and mismatched tire sizes. Service technicians will see an immediate improvement in performance and productivity when they start using the AC400.

## 1/4-inch Drive 8mm and 10mm Semi-Deep Flip Socket (S6810)

The *Snap-on* Semi-Deep Flip Socket (S6810) was created to help technicians save time when performing work requiring removal of underbody panels. For example, an oil change on most newer BMW<sup>®</sup> vehicles require technicians to remove a combination of approximately thirty 8mm and 10mm fasteners. The S6810 offers service technicians the convenience of using one tool to remove the two most common sizes of underbody panel fasteners, which speeds up completion, especially when combined with the *Snap-on* CTS661 cordless power tool.

The use of under car body panels is a growing trend on vehicles as they provide protection against road debris, sound insulation and improved aerodynamics. Some models have as many as 50 fasteners holding panels in place. The S6810 socket can also be used on vehicles such as Lexus<sup>®</sup>, Infiniti<sup>®</sup>, Mercedes<sup>®</sup> as well as on Chevrolet<sup>®</sup> Cruze<sup>®</sup> and Buick<sup>®</sup> Verano<sup>®</sup>. The concept is yet another illustration of Snap-on's deep customer connection having originated from a Snap-on franchisee observing his customer going back and forth for different sized sockets when performing undercar work.

### **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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