

**MAHLE Aftermarket Announces Finalists for “Drive With the Original” Promotion – Grand Prize Petty’s Garage ’68 Camaro Resto-mod to be Awarded at AAPEX 2018**

Farmington Hills, Mich., October 25, 2018 – The four finalists for the MAHLE “Drive With the Original” Technician Promotion have been selected from nearly 70,000 entries received. These four finalists will travel to the 2018 Automotive Aftermarket Product Expo (AAPEX) in Las Vegas where one of them will win the Grand Prize custom-built Petty’s Garage 1968 Camaro Resto-mod.

The grand prize ceremony will take place at the MAHLE Aftermarket booth, #2661, at 4 p.m. on October 30. The “Original,” Richard Petty, will be present when the finalists each select a key from his signature Charlie One Horse hat – one of which will unlock the doors of the modified, 625-horsepower classic Camaro from Petty’s Garage.

The four finalists for the MAHLE “Drive With the Original” promotion are:

- Pete Bethcle of Bimmer Performance Center, Raleigh, NC
- Martin Koschik of J and J Automotive, Rhinebeck, NY
- Raymond Ochsner of Ochsner’s Garage, Louisville, KY
- Marshall Zinn of Robbins Service Center, Daytona Beach, FL

“Congratulations to these technicians for being finalists with a chance to win this spectacular MAHLE Resto-mod Camaro, custom-built by the team at Petty’s Garage,” said Jon Douglas, president of MAHLE Aftermarket North America.

“I sure do wish I were in their shoes after having had a chance to drive the car myself before it made its way to Las Vegas for next week’s big ceremony,” continued Douglas.

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“I would also like to express sincere appreciation on behalf of MAHLE Aftermarket to the thousands of technicians around the country that participated in the promotion, and more importantly, for trusting MAHLE components in the work they perform.”

The four finalists were randomly selected from the entries received and have been awarded a trip to Las Vegas to participate in the special grand prize ceremony on October 30, the opening day of AAPEX 2018. In addition, over 1,000 instant-win prizes were awarded in the promotion, including Richard Petty Driving Experiences, autographed Richard Petty signature Charlie One Horse cowboy hats, and autographed #43 die-cast model cars.

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**About MAHLE**

MAHLE is a leading international development partner and supplier to the automotive industry as well as a pioneer for the mobility of the future. The group’s product portfolio addresses all the crucial issues relating to the powertrain and air conditioning technology—both for drives with combustion engines and for e-mobility. In 2017, the group generated sales of approximately EUR 12.8 billion with around 78,000 employees and is represented in more than 30 countries with 170 production locations.

**About MAHLE Aftermarket**

MAHLE Aftermarket, the business unit specializing in spare parts, uses the expertise from the series production of original equipment in its automotive aftermarket product range. The business unit

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supplies trade, workshop, and engine repair partners with products in original equipment quality; they range from engine parts and filters to engine peripheral components and engine cooling components. The product portfolio is supplemented by workshop equipment developed by the MAHLE Service Solutions division as well as comprehensive services, and customized training programs. The full extent of this expertise is found in the brands MAHLE ORIGINAL, BEHR, CLEVITE, IZUMI, KNECHT FILTER and METAL LEVE. MAHLE Aftermarket is represented with around 1,600 employees at 25 locations and other sales offices worldwide, including numerous logistics centers and regional offices. In 2017, the business unit achieved a global sales volume of over EUR 950 million.

**About MAHLE Service Solutions**

MAHLE Aftermarket Inc., Service Solutions division specializes in the development, manufacturing and distribution of automotive services, tools and maintenance equipment, including vehicle diagnostics, air conditioning service, fluid exchange and nitrogen tire inflation systems. Formerly known as RTI Technologies, MAHLE Service Solutions continues its legacy of building shop equipment for the most stringent OEM and aftermarket needs. Along with this expertise, MAHLE Service Solutions combines the know-how of MAHLE Behr with automotive thermal management and MAHLE Powertrain with automotive test systems. Each of these three entities have more than 25 years of R&D and technology deployment experience providing advanced solutions for OE manufacturers.

In addition to the high-quality products offered through its Service Solutions division, MAHLE Aftermarket provides a comprehensive and well-developed service network to ensure quick and professional technical support and training for repair shops. For

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**About Petty's Garage**

In June 2008 Petty's Garage, a Level Cross, N.C.-based company, was born to begin restorations on racecar chassis from owner Richard Petty's private collection. Petty's Garage is currently bringing "The King's" winning tradition to a wide variety of high-performance automobiles from production-based Richard Petty Signature Series to custom builds and restorations. Petty's Garage is a high performance speed shop focused on spectacular performance automobiles.

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