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Automotive Schools Lead the Way as CCAR's "S/P2" Attains Record Usage in September, More Than 520,000 Tests Taken

Over half a million online tests were recorded by the Coordinating Committee For Automotive Repair in September with its S/P2 e-learning program on Safety and Pollution Prevention for the automotive industry. CCAR provides free S/P2 access to automotive training programs at schools across the U.S., and more than 95% of the tests in September were completed by students at these schools.

OVERLAND PARK, KAN. – The Coordinating Committee For Automotive Repair experienced record usage of its **S/P2** (Safety and Pollution Prevention) e-learning program in the month of September.

More than 520,000 **S/P2** tests were taken during the month. This total includes users at automotive repair facilities, as well as students at automotive training programs at career/technical schools that have free access to the courses, according to Robert G. Stewart, CCAR President. Over 95% of the tests were recorded from school accounts.

“CCAR introduced **S/P2** in January 2002, and it was more than two years later that the cumulative number of tests taken surpassed the 500,000 mark,” said Stewart. “Now **S/P2** has recorded over half a million tests taken in a single month, demonstrating

that the need for environmental and safety awareness training in the industry continues to grow, especially among the coming generations of technicians that will enter the industry from our schools.

“We anticipated a surge of testing at the beginning of the new school year, but these results exceed all expectations,” Stewart continued. “CCAR is pleased to be able to meet this training need and is grateful to all segments of the automotive industry that have assisted our organization in this achievement.”

CCAR provides **S/P2** at no charge to schools, and over 2,000 automotive training programs are now enrolled. **S/P2** was developed by CCAR based on U.S. EPA and OSHA standards, which require shop personnel and students to be trained at least annually on safety and environmental issues. For businesses, **S/P2** is available for a \$299 annual subscription per facility. The **S/P2** courseware tracks technician/student progress through the training, grades tests and is regularly updated as changes occur in federal and state laws.

CCAR, a 501(c)(3) not-for-profit organization, also operates “CCAR-GreenLink[®],” the National Environmental Compliance Assistance Center for Automotive Repair, in cooperation with the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency [EPA].

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