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Steve Levetan Receives “2013 President’s Award” from the Automotive Recyclers Association

MANASSAS, VA – Professional Automotive Recycling Executive, **Steve Levetan**, Executive Vice President of Pull-A-Part, was awarded the prestigious “2013 President’s Award” from the Automotive Recyclers Association (ARA) at the 70th Annual ARA Convention & Exposition in Phoenix, Arizona, November 7-10, 2013. The ARA President’s Award is an honor bestowed by the Association’s President to an individual who has shown exemplary dedication to the industry through their service and work on behalf of the Association.

Levetan works tirelessly for the professional automotive recycling industry. Chris Wright, now the Immediate Past-President of ARA, and owner of Capital Auto Parts, Inc., located in Thomasville, Georgia, said in his remarks about his choice for the 2013 President’s Award, “Steve Levetan has spent over 40 years in the recycling industry. His history of service within his home state and neighboring states as well as his knowledge and expertise, is well respected. He is a true asset to the automotive recycling industry not only for this knowledge and expertise, but also for his willingness to give back to the industry. He is an active member of the ARA Governmental Affairs Committee and a tireless advocate on behalf of the profession – never missing an opportunity to make a difference whether it be organizing a coalition of stakeholders on a given issue; travelling to other states to support ARA members conducting facility tours with their legislators; speaking to Members of Congress; or giving back to his local community.”

“It is my honor and privilege to work with Chris Wright, the ARA Executive Committee, and the remarkable ARA staff, in support of all professional automotive recyclers,” said Steve Levetan of his award. “I am truly humbled by this recognition and look forward to continuing my ARA activities. I’d like to particularly thank my colleagues at Pull-A-Part for their support for my activities on behalf of the industry.”

Levetan maintains active memberships in the ARA, serving as a member of its Governmental Affairs Committee and Safety Committee; as well as the National Recycling Coalition, Georgia Chamber of Commerce Government Affairs Council (serving as Chair of the Environment Committee 2002-2004), and is a board member of the Georgia Recycling Coalition and Chair of the Sandy Springs Conservancy. In September of 2010, Steve was appointed as one of the founding board members of the Georgia Department of Natural Resources Foundation, by the DNR Commissioner and in 2012 was elected as Chair of the Board.

Pull-A-Part, with headquarters in Atlanta, Georgia, is an award-winning family business serving the do-it-yourself, used auto parts market. Founded in 1997, Pull-A-Part operates a growing network of 27 used auto parts superstores in 12 states. The company has been acclaimed for outstanding corporate citizenship and environmental responsibility by federal, state and local organizations. Pull-A-Part has made an exceptional commitment to resource conservation, waste

reduction and pollution prevention. This orientation allows the company to provide affordable used auto parts to do-it-yourself consumers, while providing high quality scrap metal, fluids and plastics for recycling.

Pull-A-Part traces its roots to a business begun 105 years ago in Atlanta. The company is operated by the third and fourth generations of the founding family, whose values still affect every aspect of how Pull-A-Part functions, operationally and interpersonally.

In recent news, the Indiana Department of Environmental Management (IDEM) has awarded the Pull-A-Part Indianapolis location the Indiana Clean Yard-Gold Level award for auto salvage businesses.

More information is available at: www.pullapart.com.

Since 1943, the Automotive Recyclers Association (ARA) represents an industry dedicated to the efficient removal and reuse of “green” automotive parts, and the proper recycling of inoperable motor vehicles. ARA represents the interests of over 4,500 auto recycling facilities in the United States and fourteen other countries around the world. With programs such as the Certified Automotive Recycler Program (CAR), Green Recycled Parts, and other partnerships, ARA members continue to provide consumers with quality, low-cost alternatives for vehicle replacement parts, while preserving our environment for a “greener” tomorrow.

To learn more about the Association, visit ARA’s Home Page at www.a-r-a.org or call (571) 208-0428.