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ASCCA Is Proud to Support Skyline College's Move Toward Hybrid and Electric Vehicle Technology Training

Sacramento, CA – October 12, 2011 – The Automotive Service Councils of California (ASCCA) is pleased to support Skyline College as it submits a proposal to the National Science Foundation's Advanced Technology Education (ATE) Solicitation #11-692. ASCCA welcomes the opportunity to collaborate with the Hybrid Electric Vehicle Technology Education Center (HEVTEC). Skyline College is known for its curricular innovation in hybrid and electric vehicle technology and is well positioned to implement a new Regional Center of Excellence serving the Western United States.

One of ASCCA's highest priorities is career technical education. In 2010, ASCCA partnered with Skyline College and the Career Ladders Project to secure funding for the Green Innovation Challenge Concept Proposal. As a result of that funding success, the program has served as a bridge to automotive careers in new technology.

Hybrid and electrical vehicles and alternative fuel technologies are the future of the automotive industry, it is imperative to ensure that current and future technicians have the training to repair these vehicles. ASCCA supports Skyline College's flexible and sustainable educational career pathways in hybrid and electric vehicle technology and will continue to support its advance HEV Training.

ASCCA envisions a robust, active role in the HEVTEC initiative and will continue to serve as a conduit to the industry sector through its large statewide membership, leveraging its networks to disseminate grant products and promote HEVTEC activities.

California is a global hotspot for the emergence of hybrid and electric vehicles, making it an ideal location for HEVTEC. ASCCA stands ready to partner with Skyline College in achieving the goals set forth in the ATE proposal.

Founded in 1940, ASCCA is the largest independent automotive repair organization in California. Our members represent all areas of the automotive repair industry, including mechanical, auto body, supplier and educators in the automotive technology field.

"To elevate and unite Automotive Professionals, and give them voice."