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CAPA Welcomes Bosch to its Tier 1 Replacement Parts Verification Program

Kentwood, Mich. – December 11, 2023 – The Certified Automotive Parts Association (CAPA), an independent non-profit standard-setting and certification organization for automotive crash parts, is pleased to announce that it has approved Robert Bosch LLC (Bosch) for its Tier 1 Replacement Parts Verification Program. Bosch intends to submit its ultrasonic parking sensors for CAPA Verification. The program is available for any Tier 1 supplier that also produces an in-house, alternately branded version of car company original (CCO) or car company service (CCS) parts used for automotive repair.

Historically, Tier 1 replacement parts have lacked clear definitions and been classified as aftermarket parts, making it difficult to determine which parts are truly comparable to CCOs or CCSs. The CAPA Tier 1 Verification Program helps clarify these parts by ensuring the same factory, tooling, materials, and manufacturing processes are used during the production of the car company part and the Tier 1 Verified replacement part. Additionally, CAPA Tier 1 Verified parts must also demonstrate compliance to all applicable federal regulations.

“We’re thrilled to add an esteemed manufacturer like Bosch to the CAPA Tier 1 Verification Program,” said Clark Plucinski, Chairman, CAPA Board of Directors. “The demand has never been higher in the repair industry for high quality replacement sensors. CAPA is eager to begin answering that call with its Tier 1 Verified ultrasonic parking sensors.”

CAPA strives to be a trusted leader in providing assurance of quality auto parts. For 35 years, CAPA has provided a comprehensive certification program to identify high-quality replacement parts. Drawing on the strength of its certification program and its third-party testing partner’s expertise in testing and certification, CAPA developed this new verification program to expand our offering and brand to Tier 1 replacement parts and their suppliers.

With Bosch’s successful completion of CAPA’s approval process, it may begin submitting parts for verification. Verified parts will be announced via CAPA’s weekly updates, and they can be identified by the CAPA Tier1 Verified label. To sign up for CAPA’s weekly updates, or for more information, go to www.CAPAcertified.org.

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About CAPA

The Certified Automotive Parts Association, founded in 1987, is the nation’s only independent, non-profit certification organization for automotive crash parts whose sole purpose is to ensure that both consumers and the industry have the means to identify high-quality parts via the CAPA Quality Seal. CAPA is an ANSI-accredited standards developer for competitive crash repair parts. For more information see CAPAcertified.org.