



## AAMCO FIRST AUTOMOTIVE SERVICE CHAIN TO OFFER NEW EPA APPROVED FLEX FUEL U.S.® ETHANOL CONVERSION SYSTEM

Flex-Box Smart Kit™ Transforms Fleet Autos Into Flex Fuel Vehicles to Facilitate Incentives, Cut Greenhouse Gases, Support Domestic Energy And Boost Power

CHICAGO, IL (October 3, 2007) – AAMCO, the nation’s leading transmission and complete automotive service chain, has partnered with Flex Fuel U.S.®, a leading pioneer in ethanol conversion systems, to initially offer exclusive installation of the new Flex-Box Smart Kit™, a first-of-its-kind after-market bolt on fuel conversion system. The system is the first and only E85 conversion unit which has been certified by the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) for fleet vehicles, and allows fleet operators and drivers to fill up on E85 (a blend of 85 percent ethanol and 15 percent gasoline) E20, E10 or pure gasoline.

With nothing to set and nothing to adjust, the Flex-Box Smart Kit is a compact conversion unit that select AAMCO dealers can install to allow fleet operators to take advantage of the many benefits of using ethanol and ethanol-gas blends, such as:

- An approximate 15 percent per gallon fuel cost saving over gasoline
- Additional fleet incentives such as rebates, fuel discounts, and access to HOV lanes (click here for details)
- An 85 percent reduction in fossil greenhouse gas emissions
- Independence from foreign oil & supports domestic farming
- Significant increase in vehicle horsepower, acceleration and performance

Furthermore, EPA testing shows that vehicles equipped with the Flex-Box Smart Kit get 16.9 miles per gallon (mpg) in the city, and 26.8 mpg highway.

The first Flex-Box Smart Kit™ is certified for the most common fleet vehicles: the Ford Crown Victoria, Mercury Grand Marquis and Lincoln Town Car. Because these vehicles are most common in police, taxi and livery fleets, as well as city, state and federal government motor pools, it creates an opportunity for businesses and government agencies to save money and “go green” simultaneously. The added benefit of increased horsepower should also be attractive to police officers and limousine drivers.

Moving forward, Flex Fuel U.S.® looks forward to receiving approval for passenger vehicle Flex-Box Smart Kits™, including consumer, truck and performance vehicles.

“This is the culmination of a dream we’ve all shared,” said Chris Disher, Chief Financial Officer for Flex Fuel U.S.® “Many government, city, state federal and chauffeured fleets are major oil consumers, so our goal is to help this country save taxpayers money, wean itself off foreign oil, support our local farmers and help reduce greenhouse gas emissions; to get all of that with one affordable product is a testament to the ingenuity and vision of the team we’ve assembled.”

AAMCO CEO, Todd Leff said, “We are excited to team up with Flex Fuel U.S.® on this first-in-category initiative by offering the E85 Flex-Box Smart Kits™. This new service will continue to move the AAMCO brand forward and clearly demonstrates our strategy to offer complete car care services and to be a leader in offering environmentally friendly automotive programs.

The Flex-Box Smart Kit™ continuously monitors engine and emission controls – oxygen sensors, throttle position sensors, engine speed and an alcohol/fuel sensor – and delivers supplementary fuel injection to allow the vehicle to operate at optimal performance no matter what fuel blend is in the tank. The onboard computer that makes the system work was engineered by John Meaney, a former Bosch engineer widely considered a founding father of digital fuel injection technology.

“With 1,200 E85 gas stations already in the U.S. and more being added each day, millions of Americans can now help fight pollution, save money and promote domestic energy,” said Disher. “From drastically lower greenhouse gas emissions, to a 15 percent savings at the pump, American-made ethanol is a smart fuel choice for the future.”

Fleet operators can have their Flex-Box Smart Kits™ installed throughout the country at select AAMCO Transmission Centers, thanks to AAMCO’s groundbreaking new “Eco-green Auto Service™” program. “We are excited to be partnering with Flex Fuel US to provide fleets their first opportunity to retrofit millions of vehicles already on the road to take advantage of the benefits of running on E85” noted Todd Leff, President and CEO of AAMCO.

#### About Flex Fuel U.S.

Based in Chicago and founded in 2006, Flex Fuel U.S.® is dedicated to the development of future fuel solutions and alternative fuel conversion systems. The company was established by a team of leading experts in digital fuel injection, custom automotive engineering, and automotive aftermarket distribution and recently launched a first-of-its-kind after-market fuel conversion system called the Flex-Box Smart Kit™. For more information about Flex Fuel U.S.® or the Flex-Box Smart Kit™, please visit <http://www.flexfuelus.com>.

#### About AAMCO

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