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AUTOBELL CAR WASH NAMED OUTSTANDING PHILANTHROPIC ORGANIZATION

CHARLOTTE, NC (November 12, 2008) -- Autobell Car Wash Inc., headquartered here, was named Outstanding Philanthropic Organization by the Association of Fundraising Professionals-Charlotte Chapter during the association's 2008 National Philanthropy Day[®] awards. This award recognizes a philanthropic corporation or organization whose programs, gifts, and charitable activities enrich the community and serve as a role model.

Activities for which Autobell was cited include its Charity Car Wash program, which has raised more than \$2.5 million for non-profits since the program's inception in 1998; its annual creekwalk of Little Sugar Creek in Charlotte, in which on-the-clock Autobell employees gather to pick up debris and trash; as well as the company's employee scholarship program, which has awarded more than 220 academic scholarships to date totaling more than six figures to deserving employees. The company also regularly hosts fundraisers and drives for organizations such as Make-a-Wish, the American Red Cross, and the North Carolina Wildlife Federation. Autobell was also recognized for being a longtime conscientious steward of the environment, beginning its car wash water recycling efforts in the early 1970s and continuing today via investment in state-of-the-art reclaim equipment and technology.

"We are very humbled and honored by this recognition," stated Chuck Howard, President and owner of Autobell Car Wash Inc., "and we're thrilled that our success in the car wash business allows us to, in turn, contribute to the well-being of the communities that support us. I'm especially grateful to our employees, who help make our civic action possible and so effective."

Since 2000, Autobell has earned eleven awards from municipal, utility, media, conservation, and non-profit organizations for its environmental and civic activities and impact.

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