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Cetaris Presents Wireless Technology for Fleet Maintenance

Cetaris was invited by the Chairman of the Maintenance & Technology Council of the Arkansas Trucking Association to provide the membership with an update on the latest computerized maintenance management software and wireless technology. The focus of the update is how fleets can continue to improve efficiency reflecting continued new developments such as hours of service requirements. The monthly meeting was held in Springdale, AR and attended by approximately 60 members and guests representing twelve large fleets and several major truck and tire manufacturers.

The Cetaris US Regional Sales Manager, Mike Covington, and President, Ric Bedard, reviewed how fleet maintenance shop workflow can be improved using wireless technology for both the shop technician and the parts person. In these days of shortage of skilled technicians, improving labor efficiency can yield significant benefits for fleets. The maintenance business process overview was followed by a real time demonstration of wireless 802.11B technology running on a hand-held Symbol Pocket PC device. Real time functionality was demonstrated for the technician to barcode scan the vehicle unit number, review repair history, log onto a repair order, barcode scan a standard job or PM, actual parts used, and then log off the completed repair order. Also demonstrated was the unique ability to perform a real time parts physical inventory while the shop maintenance software system continues to be used by other shop technicians.

Carl Tapp, Vice President of Maintenance with P.A.M. Transportation Services, Inc., who is the 2003 Chairman of the Arkansas MTC, commented on the technology update "Star wars technology... available today! Many members approached me after the meeting saying the presentation was very interesting and informative, and that it is good to see the MTC focusing its educational efforts on improving corporate efficiencies by utilizing new technologies."

About Cetaris

Cetaris Software Inc. as a premier provider of enterprise asset management solutions helping organizations around the world reduce the cost and complexity associated with managing their fleet related assets. Their solution Fleet Assistant was built by fleet people for fleet people, whose evolution began on the shop floor with an understanding and emphasis on the needs of fleet owners, managers, service technicians and administrative personnel. Their solution continues to evolve addressing all the key requirements a business demands to optimize the performance and productivity of its fleet related assets. Consequently, today some of the world's largest; most sophisticated and efficient organizations depend on the Web Fleet Assistant to manage millions of their assets in more than 50 countries worldwide.

Headquartered in Toronto, Cetaris is more than just a software provider, combining exceptional human capital, with best of breed business processes and world class software tools to deliver a robust, turnkey solution.

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