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American Automotive Policy Council Formed to Promote U.S. Manufacturing Competitiveness

Chrysler Group LLC, Ford Motor Company and General Motors Company today announced the creation of the American Automotive Policy Council (AAPC) to promote the unique and significant economic contribution of the U.S.-based auto companies to the American economy and to advocate for an American Manufacturing Initiative.

The new organization is an expansion of the three companies' productive work together as members of the Automotive Trade Policy Council on international trade and economic policies. One of the Council's immediate objectives is to launch a Manufacturing Initiative to develop credible and reliable information for policymakers. AAPC will also work to educate grassroots and stakeholder coalitions on how critical manufacturing is to building a solid, sustainable future for the US economy.

Stephen Collins, who has thirty years of association experience representing the three companies, has been appointed President of the AAPC. "In establishing this organization, Chrysler, Ford and General Motors have committed themselves to engage policymakers at all levels in the critical decisions that will shape America's economic future", Collins said. "Together, these auto companies represent innovation, research and technology development that can drive America's economic leadership in a new century".

The Council has tapped Debbie Dingell to spearhead the group's Manufacturing Initiative. "Debbie Dingell has a well-established reputation for being a passionate champion of U.S. manufacturing and competitiveness and we are very pleased to have her guiding this important new Initiative", Collins said.

Added Collins, "AAPC looks forward to working with other groups with similar interests to advocate for policies that will create solid new jobs in manufacturing, build up America's manufacturing capabilities, and accelerate the revitalization of the US economy."

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The American Automotive Policy Council, Inc. (AAPC) is a Washington, D.C. association that represents the common public policy interests of its member companies Chrysler Group LLC, Ford Motor Company and General Motors Company.

