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Beck/Arnley Expands New Brake Pad Category

SMYRNA, Tenn., Sept. 3, 2008 – Beck/Arnley announced today it has expanded its new category of foreign branded brake pads to include ATE and Mintex, which brings the total number of available applications to 2,345.

This category, which was introduced in Feb. 2008, complements the existing range of Beck/Arnley brand OE replacement pads and Axxis brand brake pads. The brake pads are sourced from leading foreign suppliers and provide the foreign nameplate specialist with another first-rate foreign brand.

“We are pleased to expand this new category of brake pads by adding new brands and more vehicle applications,” said Sona Grubbs, product manager for brakes. “Our foreign nameplate customers will benefit from a wider range of Beck/Arnley product offerings to fit their ever-changing needs.”

The first product in this new brake category was from Sumitomo (SEI) Brake Systems, Inc., an OE supplier, and Japan’s first disc brake manufacturer. The company offers premium brakes for automotive applications that provide excellent heat dissipation and stable braking action.

Beck/Arnley will continue to add other brake pad suppliers for Asian and European applications in the near future.

About Beck/Arnley:

Beck/Arnley is exclusively dedicated to supporting its distribution partners who service the foreign nameplate repair market. Founded in 1914, Beck/Arnley's broad product offering is organized into six modules: Brake & Chassis, Electrical, Clutch & Driveline, Engine Management, Engine Parts & Filtration, and Cooling Systems. Headquartered near Nashville, Tenn., Beck/Arnley distributes parts to resellers through its MDC in Smyrna, Tenn, and strategically located satellite customer care centers. For more information about all of Beck/Arnley’s brake products, or about any other quality Beck/Arnley products, visit the Web site at www.beckarnley.com.

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