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Week of February 25, 2008

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IMPORTANT UPDATE

EPA MERCURY RULE EFFECTIVE IN JUNE 2008; SOME FACILITIES CAN APPLY FOR DELAY OF UP TO THREE YEARS

Since we originally published the story about the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) new air emission standards in December, PARTS has learned that the rule will come into effect in June 2008. Originally it was reported that steel manufacturers would have three years to comply. A delay for implementation will only be granted to those facilities where major upgrades are needed to ensure compliance with the new standards. As you may recall, the EPA rule, aimed at reducing mercury releases from steel manufacturers using electric arc furnaces, requires steel making facilities to buy vehicle scrap from processors participating in the National Vehicle Mercury Switch Recovery Program. PARTS continues to work with ARA and ISRI to prepare our industry for the eventual impact this rule change will have on our industry. Mike Berk, PARTS Executive Director, will be attending ARA's annual legislative conference (Hill Days) beginning on March 8 in Washington, D.C. where there may be some additional information on this issue.

REGISTER FOR THE NATIONAL MERCURY SWITCH PROGRAM

The National Vehicle Mercury Switch Recovery Program (NVMSRP) offers a \$1 per switch rebate along with free supplies and shipping. A \$4 million fund was established in 2006 to be used to reward dismantlers in participating states on a first-come, first-serve basis over a 3-year period. The NVMSRP is operated by End of Life Vehicle Solutions or ELVS, which provides the supplies, verifies switch counts and issues the incentive checks. In Pennsylvania, 125 recyclers have registered for this program and a total of 26,035 switches have been collected. To join the NVMSRP, contact Brian Rippon at 248-477-7357 or brelvs@yahoo.com.

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