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Exide Technologies Supplying Batteries for All-New Toyota Venza

ALPHARETTA, Ga., March 25, 2009 (GLOBE NEWSWIRE) -- Exide Technologies (Nasdaq:XIDE) (www.exide.com), a global leader in stored electrical-energy solutions, announces another new supply agreement with Toyota Motor Engineering & Manufacturing North America (TEMA). The Company has begun shipping lead-acid starting batteries for the new Toyota Venza, an all-new vehicle that combines a unique blend of sedan refinement and sport utility (SUV) functionality. The Venza is assembled at Toyota Motor Manufacturing, Kentucky, Inc. (TMMK) in Georgetown, Kentucky and is sold exclusively in North America.

According to the terms of the supply agreement, Exide is providing TMMK up to 75,000 units of group size 24 starting batteries annually for the U.S.-produced passenger vehicles. The batteries are manufactured at Exide's Bristol, Tennessee facility and shipped directly to TMMK.

"Our newest supply agreement with Toyota is evidence of Exide's adaptability to today's rapidly changing worldwide vehicle manufacturer standards," said Bruce Cole, President of the Transportation Americas business division for Exide Technologies. "Exide's ever-strengthening alliance with Toyota stems from our Company's ability to provide a consistently higher degree of service and product quality. These deliverables help Toyota live up to its mission of creating a more prosperous society through automobile manufacturing."

Exide also supplies Toyota with batteries for its North American-produced Avalon, Camry, Corolla, and Matrix cars as well as Sequoia sport-utility vehicles and Tundra trucks. The new supply agreement continues a long-standing, successful relationship between Exide Technologies and Toyota that began in 1988.

About Exide Technologies

Exide Technologies, with operations in more than 80 countries, is one of the world's largest producers and recyclers of lead-acid batteries. The Company's four global business groups -- Transportation Americas, Transportation Europe and Rest of World, Industrial Energy Americas and Industrial Energy Europe and Rest of World -- provide a comprehensive range of stored electrical energy products and services for industrial and transportation applications.

Transportation markets include original-equipment and aftermarket automotive, heavy-duty truck, agricultural and marine applications, and new technologies for hybrid vehicles and automotive applications. Industrial markets include network power applications such as telecommunications systems, electric utilities, railroads, photovoltaic (solar-power related) and uninterruptible power supply (UPS), and motive-power applications including lift trucks, mining and other commercial vehicles.

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Further information about Exide, including its financial results, are available at www.exide.com.

Forward-Looking Statements

Except for historical information, this press release may be deemed to contain "forward-looking" statements. The Company desires to avail itself of the safe harbor provisions of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995 (the "Act") and is including this cautionary statement for the express purpose of availing itself of the protection afforded by the Act. The Company undertakes no obligation to publicly update or revise any forward-looking statement in this or any prior forward-looking statements whether as a result of new information, future developments or otherwise.

Examples of forward-looking statements include, but are not limited to, (a) projections of revenues, cost of raw materials, income or loss, earnings or loss per share, capital expenditures, growth prospects, dividends, the effect of currency translations, capital structure and other financial items, (b) statements of plans and objectives of the Company or its management or Board of Directors, including the introduction of new products, or estimates or predictions of actions by customers, suppliers, competitors or regulating authorities, (c) statements of future economic performance and (d) statements of assumptions, such as the prevailing weather conditions in the Company's market areas, underlying other statements and statements about the Company or its business.

Factors that could cause actual results to differ materially from these forward-looking statements include, but are not limited to, the following general factors such as: (i) the Company's ability to implement and fund based on current liquidity business strategies and restructuring plans, (ii) unseasonable weather (warm winters and cool summers) which adversely affects demand for automotive and some industrial batteries, (iii) the Company's substantial debt and debt service requirements which may restrict the Company's operational and financial flexibility, as well as imposing significant interest and financing costs, (iv) the litigation proceedings to which the Company is subject, the results of which could have a material adverse effect on the Company and its business, (v) the realization of the tax benefits of the Company's net operating loss carry forwards, which is dependent upon future taxable income, (vi) the fact that lead, a major constituent in most of the Company's products, experiences significant fluctuations in market price and is a hazardous material that may give rise to costly environmental and safety claims, (vii) competitiveness of the battery markets in North America and Europe, (viii) risks involved in foreign operations such as disruption of markets, changes in import and export laws, currency restrictions, currency exchange rate fluctuations and possible terrorist attacks against U.S. interests, (ix) general economic conditions, (x) the ability to acquire goods and services and/or fulfill labor needs at budgeted costs, (xi) the Company's reliance on a single supplier for its polyethylene battery separators, (xii) the Company's ability to successfully pass along increased material costs to its customers, (xiii) the loss of one or more of the Company's major customers for its industrial and transportation products; (xiv) recently adopted U.S. lead emissions standards and the implementation of such standards by applicable states; and (xv) the ability of the Company's customers to pay for products and services in light of liquidity constraints resulting from global economic conditions and restrictive credit markets.

Therefore, the Company cautions each reader of this press release carefully to consider those factors set forth above and those factors described in the Company's annual report on Form 10-K filed on June 9, 2008 and its quarterly reports on Form 10-Q filed on August 8, 2008, November 6, 2008 and February 4, 2009, because such factors have, in some instances, affected and in the future could affect, the ability of the Company to achieve its projected results and may cause actual results to differ materially from those expressed herein.

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