

Merchants Fleet Management Receives 2014 Auto Finance Excellence Award for Community Service

October 23, 2014 Hooksett, NH --- Merchants Fleet Management proudly accepted the Auto Finance Excellence Award for Community Service at the 2014 Auto Finance Summit on October 6, 2014.



Merchants Fleet Management Director of Credit and Collections, Patrick Inks, accepted the award on behalf of the company.

For over 50 years, Merchants has been owned and operated by the Singer family who is committed to its customers, employees and community. Among the company's many charitable efforts, Auto Finance specifically recognized Merchants Fleet Management for their annual Gail Singer Memorial Blood Drive. Started in 1984, the drive has been conducted through the American Red Cross and has grown to become the largest single day blood drive in America. Last year, the event set a national record collecting over 1,500 pints of blood. The award acknowledges company-wide efforts to encourage volunteering; a generous action Merchants strongly encourages their employees and community members to partake in.

Owner and Chairman of the Board at Merchants Fleet Management, Gary Singer, gave his sentiments, "Merchants is honored to receive this award. I believe in three precepts in order to achieve success in business; take care of your customers, take care of your employees and give back to your community. This is a culture that we have nurtured over our years in the automotive and fleet management business. We are very proud of this culture and of our employees in their initiatives to give back to the community."

Since 2005, the Auto Finance awards have celebrated outstanding achievements by companies and executives in the automotive lending and leasing industry. Award recipients are based on results from Auto Finance's performance scale rating initiative which digitally compiles responses from 3,700 dealers in June and July. Winners are announced at the summit event and are also spotlighted in an issue of *Auto Finance News*. Beyond dynamic community service, other distinctions include awards for competitive achievement, innovative technology, exceptional customer service and outstanding leadership.

To learn more about Merchants Fleet Management's extensive community involvement and how you can volunteer or submit a request to their charitable contributions committee, please visit www.singerfamilyenterprises.com or call 1-800-AUTO-999.

About Merchants

Merchants Fleet Management is one of the top ten fleet leasing companies in the U.S. and has enjoyed continuous growth and expansion due to its outstanding commitment to its customers and employees. Merchants provides customers nationwide a total fleet solution, which includes its unique approach to closed-end leasing in addition to traditional open-end options. Other comprehensive services include: insurance and maintenance programs, fuel cards to manage mileage and gasoline expenses, roadside assistance, accident and risk management, Telematics, local and nationwide delivery, along with expert fleet management tools and administration. Merchants leases a variety of vehicles including cars, trucks and vans, limousines, charter and school busses, law enforcement vehicles, handicap-equipped vehicles and more, for long or short-term needs. For more information about Merchants, visit www.merchantsfleetmanagement.com.

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