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Puerto Rico Interstate All Battery Center Named Store of the Year

Award presented at IABC's International Franchise Convention

DALLAS, March 12 /PRNewswire-HISPANIC PR WIRE/ -- Interstate All Battery Center (IABC) franchisees team of Juan and Javier Vento and Eduardo Fernandez was recently recognized as Interstate All Battery Center 2009 Store of the Year at the company's international franchise convention in Dallas.

The award is based on strong operations and sales, maintenance of brand standards, business practices and the store's contribution toward raising the profile of Interstate All Battery Center franchising.

"Juan, Javier and Eduardo's success contributes strongly to IABC's continued growth nationally and internationally with strong business in Puerto Rico and a new location in the Dominican Republic," said Interstate Battery Franchising and Development Director, Justin Darland. "The Puerto Rico team does a tremendous job building upon the 57-year old, proven Interstate Batteries brand and delivering quality products, business innovation and outrageous dependability that are key to IABC's success."

The San Juan IABC is located at Avenida De Diego #321, Puerto Nuevo. Recently the store started a new program called "SOS Bateria" which provides emergency battery installation at the customer's location.

"Winning this award is proof that IABC's promise to deliver outrageous dependability works and we dedicate this recognition to our loyal customers," said Interstate All Battery Center franchisee, Eduardo Fernandez. "It's an honor to serve our San Juan neighbors and we hope to continue to build on this relationship for many years to come."

During IABC's convention last year, the franchisees were honored with the "Rookie of the Year," award which recognizes one new IABC franchisee for excellent performance. A second Puerto Rico store is scheduled to open in Carolina, summer 2009.

In addition to their retail locations, they have been Interstate Batteries' distributors since 1993 and currently operate two warehouses in Puerto Rico.

About Interstate All Battery Centers

Founded in 1952 and based in Dallas, Interstate Batteries is a privately held group of corporations, which includes a company with 298 distributors that service more than 200,000 dealers throughout the United States, Canada and select international locations. Interstate is the top-selling replacement automotive brand battery in North America, selling more than 15 million units annually. Interstate All Battery Center currently has more than 129 locations serving 42 states, Puerto Rico, the Dominican Republic and Canada. For additional information about the franchise offer, please visit allbatteryfranchise.com.



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