

TRUCKER[®].COM NEWS

NEW TECHNOLOGY REDUCES DRIVER SPENDING

Truckers look for proven ways to decrease fuel consumption, reduce air pollution and save money. To help address these issues, the Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA) SmartWay Transport Partnership created SmartWay Upgrade Kits. These kits include highly fuel-efficient technologies bundled with emission-control devices such as idle-reduction equipment, low-rolling resistance tires, advanced trailer and tractor aerodynamics and exhaust after-treatment devices. Components can be purchased individually or in combination and trucks outfitted with the entire kit have shown fuel savings of up to 15%, saving around \$7,000 each year.

SmartWay Loans are available to assist with funding. These loans are administered by Small Business Association (SBA) financial institutions that require no collateral, feature rapid approval and offer repayment plans ranging from 3 to 10 years below commercial lending rates. For more information about qualifying for a SmartWay Loan and purchasing SmartWay Upgrade Kits, visit www.epa.gov/smartway/financing.htm

Splendor Carwash Launches New Eco-Friendly Cleaning Solution

Splendor Carwash, an eco-friendly carwash solution provider, has just launched its new professional line of auto cleaning solutions, available for purchase online. The Splendor Carwash kit is shipped complete with the DRYCLEANER solution, Protectant lotion or cream, four microfiber towels and an applicator. In addition to its convenient, one-stop-shop packaging, the Splendor Carwash solution does not require water for use, fostering and enhancing water conservation efforts around the globe. Splendor Carwash solutions are available for U.S. customers online at www.splendorcarwash.com.

BEING PREPARED FOR UNEXPECTED MEDICAL EMERGENCIES

Aveteran paramedic has developed a system for the average person to maintain a Personal, Paperless, and Portable medical profile. Through the 'Information Superhighway', the internet, profiles are created by members and can be accessed worldwide by Healthcare Providers in emergencies or sudden illnesses. The end result being; urgent medical care with less delay caused by unknown, lost, or destroyed information.

Precious and potentially life saving seconds are wasted when a 'from the beginning' approach must be taken to assess and treat a patient. In many cases medical personnel must perform tests, which can be time consuming, to determine a course of treatment due to information such as medical conditions and history not being readily available. Sign up for this service at www.medicfile.net.

ALTERNATIVE FUELS & VEHICLES NATIONAL CONFERENCE 2008

The Alternative Fuels & Vehicles National Conference + Expo 2008 (AF&V 2008) will be held in Las Vegas, Nevada, from May 11-14, 2008. Details about the national conference, presented by the Alternative Fuel Vehicle Institute (AFVI), are now available on the AFVi website. This is the only event held in North America that attracts 2,000 key experts and end users to accelerate the commercial adoption of alternative fuels, vehicles, and advanced transportation technologies. It will be held at the Rio All-Suite Hotel and Casino. Visit www.afvi.org/NationalConference2008 for more details.

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