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Audiovox New Car Connection® Launches At Retail

New plug-in OBDII device that allows the consumer to Monitor, Manage, and Maintain their vehicle debuts at retail nationwide

HAUPPAUGE, N.Y., Nov. 13, 2012 /PRNewswire/ -- [Audiovox Electronics Corporation \(AEC\)](#), a wholly-owned subsidiary of [VOXX International Corp.](#) (NASDAQ: VOXX), announced today that the company's brand new [Car Connection™](#) Telematics device is now available at retail outlets nationwide. Car Connection lets the consumer **Monitor, Manage, and Maintain** their vehicle's health, driving habits, location, and through optional ZoomSafer technology, even restrict cell phone usage while driving. Car Connection will utilize the Sprint wireless network in the U.S.A and the real-time monitoring capability will go through Omnilink. Full roll out at retailers nationwide will be during Q4, 2012.

"Car Connection is one of the most exciting products we have brought to market in some time. As our tag line says, it will allow consumers to Monitor, Manage and Maintain their vehicles health; the habits of the drivers...knowing how fast or aggressively your teenage son is driving or whether your daughter is using her cell phone while driving or where your aging parent has wandered off to with the family car," said Tom Malone, President of Audiovox Electronics.

[Car Connection](#) utilizes an innovative user interface accessible from your laptop, tablet or smart phone that allows you to monitor driving habits and vehicle location using Safety Zones (Geo-fences), stolen vehicle recovery, and even find your way back to your vehicle in a crowded parking lot with Car Connection's built-in Lot Spot™ feature.

An online account with Omnilink is required to activate all the Car Connection features. Two services plan options: 1) \$9.95 per month + \$19.95 one- time activation fee or 2) \$89.95 per year (over \$25 savings) + \$19.95 one device activation fee provide consumers with the flexibility to select the package that best suits their needs.

Car Connection allows consumers to print out vehicle diagnostic reports to bring to their mechanic; lets you monitor fuel economy and can even assist in the coaching of young or elderly drivers. One of the key features of the product is its ability, through optional activation of the ZoomSafer software, to manage the driver's cell phone use even eliminating the ability to text while driving.

[Car Connection](#) also includes driver scoring and the company plans to announce partnerships with auto insurance carriers for future Usage Based Insurance (UBI) programs this coming year.

Car Connection is a small module that fits in the palm of your hand and plugs in under the dash in the OBDII port available on all cars post 1996. It requires no installation and retails at \$169.99

Audiovox has partnered with Agnik, Omnilink, and Sprint for this program. Agnik will be supplying the vehicle analytic data that resides in the module; Omnilink will provide the online interface and Sprint the wireless access.

"Sprint is excited to be working with Audiovox and this announcement underscores our commitment to making transportation safer and more efficient," said Wayne Ward, vice president-Emerging Solutions Group, Sprint. "We have a dedicated team that fast tracks M2M solutions to market. So far, Sprint has certified hundreds of M2M solutions and has millions of devices running on its network today. Sprint is committed to making transportation safer through our dependable and continually improving network."

Malone concluded, "Today's technology allows us to take our responsibility for caring for our families...whether old or young, to a whole new level giving us the ability to monitor and manage the family vehicle like never before."

Car Connection Key Features:

- **Driver Scoring** Monitor driver habits. Great for coaching new or aging drivers.
- **Fuel Savings** Monitor daily driving habits and generate reports. Gives fuel savings tips.
- **Vehicle Location** Know where your vehicle is, or where it is heading. Track online or from a smartphone in real-time. Notifies you if your vehicle has been moved or towed.
- **Restrict Phone Usage** Smartphone app for Android and Blackberry to limit control of the phone while driving.

- **Safety Zones** Know where and when your teen or aging driver travels. Set boundaries and receive notifications and alerts when a boundary is breached.
- **Vehicle Health** Know what your mechanic knows before you go for a service.
- **LotSpot** Guides you back to your car no matter where you are.

The Audiovox brand is marketed by Audiovox Electronics Corporation, a wholly owned subsidiary of [VOXX International Corp. \(NASDAQ: VOXX\)](#).

For information on becoming an Audiovox dealer in the US, email us at: newaccounts@audiovox.com

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Audiovox Electronics possesses a strong brand portfolio and its products ranks among the top ten in almost every category in which they sell. Primary brands include [Audiovox®](#), [Invision®](#), [Jensen®](#), [Omega®](#), [Advent®](#), [Code Alarm®](#), [Prestige®](#) and [Excalibur®](#).

Headquartered in Hauppauge, NY, Audiovox Electronics has a manufacturing facility in the United States, and a robust international footprint with offices in Europe, Canada, Mexico and Venezuela. For additional information, please visit our Web site at www.audiovoxproducts.com.

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