## DHS Guidance Includes Auto Repair as Essential Critical Infrastructure

In response to a joint <u>NADA/Alliance letter</u> sent to President Donald J. Trump stressing the need to consider auto dealerships essential businesses, the U.S. Department of Homeland Security issued guidance today that includes automotive repair and maintenance facilities on the list of the nation's essential critical infrastructure workforce.

In the cover memo, DHS and the Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Security Agency (CISA) stress that "As state and local communities consider COVID-19-related restrictions, CISA is offering this list to assist prioritizing activities related to continuity of operations and incident response, including the appropriate movement of critical infrastructure workers within and between jurisdictions."

In the body of the guidance, DHS and CISA go on to say: "This guidance and accompanying list are intended to support State, Local, and industry partners in identifying the critical infrastructure sectors and the essential workers needed to maintain the services and functions Americans depend on daily and that need to be able to operate resiliently during the COVID-19 pandemic response."

The inclusion of automotive maintenance repair facilities can be found on p. 8 of the <u>attached</u> guidance.

