



2008 PTEN Innovation Award Winners

Congratulations are in order for the following *Professional Tool & Equipment News* 2008 Innovation Awards winners. Our panel of active and independent techs/mechanics scrutinized the nominees (no one from the *PTEN* staff served in a judging capacity). These tools and equipment were selected as the top in a very tight race of products that were nominated and listed online and in *PTEN's* March issue.

While all nominees received high marks for innovation from the panel, these winners are stand-outs. The next nine pages are filled with special tools and equipment that you'll want to make note of when you're selling your customers on ways they can increase productivity, profitability and efficiency in the shop.

The staff at *Professional Distributor* congratulates the winning companies on their innovative products, and all the companies that innovate with new tools and equipment to help auto repair professionals excel at their job, and the distributors who keep abreast of changing technology to keep their customers up-to-date.

Of special note is the RTI TechALERT below. The TechALERT was the highest rated tool nominated, receiving a near-perfect score from the judges.

Congratulations again to the winners and to all that submitted products for the Innovation Awards.



Company: **RTI**
Product: **TechALERT**
Category: **Tool accessories**



Company: **Autodata**
Product: **Autodata IS**
Category: **Repair information systems**



Company: **HECAT**
Product: **Coolant Pulsator**
Category: **Cooling system equipment**



Company: **Streamlight**
Product: **Stinger DS LED flashlight**
Category: **Personal gear**



Company: **SP Tools**
Product: **Bendix-type Air Brake/Treadle Valve Holding Tool**
Category: **Brake service tools and equipment**



Company: **Pro-Cut International**
Product: **PFM 9.2 DRO-Live on-car lathe**
Category: **Brake service tools and equipment**



Company: **Challenger Lifts**
Product: **CL10V3 Lifts**



Company: **Snap-on Tools**
Product: **KRSC40 - Convertible Shop Cart**
Category: **Tool storage**



Company: **Bartec**
Product: **Tech 300 Plus**
Category: **Tire service - tools**



Company: **Bosch Diagnostics**
Product: **Mastertech VCI**
Category: **Diagnostic test equipment**



Company: **International Lubricants**
Product: **LUBEGARD Seal-E-Zee Cone kit**
Category: **Transmission service equipment**



Company: **Posi Lock Puller**
Product: **PHV859 hydraulic vise**
Category: **Miscellaneous shop equipment**



Company: **Durston Manufacturing Co./VIMTools**
Product: **Magnetic Plug Weld Tool**
Category: **Welding equipment**

