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Autenrieth Returns to Carolina Auto Auction as General Manager

Henry and Patty Stanley have announced that Eric Autenrieth will move to Carolina Auto Auction as the facility's general manager. The Stanleys indicated that Autenrieth will transition to his new leadership role over the next several months, dividing his time between Carolina Auto Auction and Indiana Auto Auction, which he has managed and owned in partnership with his parents, the Stanleys, since 2007.

"We're delighted that Eric will be returning to Carolina Auto Auction," said Henry Stanley. "He has done an outstanding job at the Indiana Auto Auction in the nine years since we bought that facility. The time was right to make changes to the management structure at Carolina Auto Auction, and we know that the auction will continue to grow and thrive under his supervision."

Stanley explains that when he and Patty purchased the Carolina Auto Auction, Eric joined them in the family business, working there for a decade as an outside dealer sales representative, sales and marketing manager, fleet/lease manager, and finally as assistant general manager. When they purchased Indiana Auto Auction in 2007, Eric moved north to manage that facility.

"2007 was not an opportune time to start a new venture in the auction industry," said Patty Stanley. "The economic downturn presented all of us with serious challenges, but Eric showed tremendous leadership and skill in making Indiana Auto Auction a success. He has



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grown the sale to offer 800 cars a week, with an excellent balance of fleet/lease and dealer consignment.”

The Stanleys point out that thanks to Autenrieth’s efforts, Indiana Auto Auction has been named one of the top auctions in the nation for Fiserv every year since 2011.

“Carolina is ‘home’ to me and my family, and I am excited to start working with the team at Carolina Auto Auction,” said Autenrieth. “Like their counterparts at Indiana Auto Auction, the staff at Carolina Auto Auction really focuses on one-on-one relationships with their customers, and I look forward to working with them all to build on the pattern they have set for excellence in service and performance.”

As he manages operations at Carolina Auto Auction, Autenrieth will maintain close ties to Indiana Auto Auction, overseeing the management team there, which will be headed by Luke Dietrich.

“I know that I’ll be leaving the operations at Indiana Auto Auction in capable hands with Luke Dietrich at the helm as general manager,” Autenrieth continued. “He has worked in the auction industry for 15 years, the last five with me at Indiana, and is thoroughly devoted to our customers and employees. He will uphold the Stanley/Autenrieth standard at the auction -- that integrity stands above all -- and will continue our commitment to service.”

In returning to Carolina Auto Auction, Autenrieth continues his family’s legacy of auction ownership and management, as well as industry activity and leadership. Following Henry Stanley’s lead, who was NAAA president in 1999-2000 and is a member of the NAAA Hall of Fame, Autenrieth has been President of Midwest Chapter of the NAAA, and currently serves on the NAAA board of Directors. He is also ServNet’s vice president/treasurer, slated to assume the role of President in the spring of 2018, a position held by his mother, Patty, from 2014 through 2016. She is currently ServNet’s chairman of the board.

Carolina Auto Auction holds sales every Wednesday at 9:00 a.m., Indiana Auto Auction every Thursday at 9:00 a.m. with a heavy duty truck sale every other Tuesday. In addition to their extensive offering of vehicles from top national accounts such as Exeter Finance Corp,

BB&T, Fiserv, Credit Acceptance, United Auto Credit, Donlen, Wheels and ARI, both auctions offer one of the largest dealer consignments in their regions. All lanes are accessible for bidding online in real-time through EDGE Pipeline and all "No Sale" units are available for purchase after the sale. Both Carolina and Indiana Auto Auctions are proud members of the ServNet auction group.