

JAPAN'S AUTOMAKERS AND U.S. TOOL AND EQUIPMENT MANUFACTURERS  
MEET IN JAPAN TO REVIEW 2003 VEHICLE MODELS

MEETING MARKS FIFTEENTH ANNUAL "JAPANESE TECHNICAL  
COOPERATION WEEK"

Tokyo—November 21, 2002—A fifteen member Equipment and Tool Institute (ETI) delegation, lead by John Haralamos, Technical Publication Writer, Robert Bosch Corp., met with Honda, Isuzu, Mazda, Mitsubishi, Nissan, Subaru, Suzuki and Toyota in Japan during "Japanese Technical Cooperation Week," co-sponsored by the Japan Automobile Manufacturers Association (JAMA).

This fifteenth annual meeting helped ETI member companies develop tools and equipment to properly service 2003 Japanese-branded vehicles sold in the U.S. It also provided a forum for the exchange of information useful to both associations.

"For the first time ETI and JAMA member companies exchanged information about new regulations issued by the California Air Resources Board (CARB). Most importantly, it is the goal of both organizations to ensure that American auto owners receive and depend on the highest level of service and quality control," Toshihiro Iwatake, Director General of JAMA's International Department said.

The briefings, held from November 18<sup>th</sup> through the 21<sup>st</sup> in Nagoya and Tokyo, provided ETI members with the opportunity to review 2003 vehicle models and ensure that new tool and diagnostic services will meet service requirements.

This is a continuing effort to encourage interchange and understanding between car related industries throughout.