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AEC Europe | Dodge and RAM | Official importer AEC Europe announces access to the latest product of its long-term cooperation with tuning company O.CT.

AEC Europe, an official importer of Fiat Chrysler Automobiles (FCA) brands Dodge and RAM in the EU / EFTA, has launched a new exclusive portfolio of performance optimization programs for its 5<sup>th</sup> Generation RAM 1500 (DT) vehicles.

As of April 20<sup>th</sup>, AEC Europe is able to provide its customers access to high-quality performance optimization programs also for the latest generation of the popular pick-up, the 5<sup>th</sup> Generation of RAM 1500 (DT).

The software is the latest result of a long-term exclusive cooperation between the official importer and a Swiss-based tuning company O.CT. The two companies have been working together since April 2017, providing AEC's dealer network exclusive access to the performance optimization software for the previous models in importer's portfolio. All O.CT performance optimization options offered by AEC are certified by TÜV and are therefore compliant with all European regulations. Furthermore, this is the only software on the market that allows to keep the importer's extensive warranty coverage for the vehicle for a surcharge, according to the terms of the warranty.

The newest software is designed for RAM 1500 DT models – the 5<sup>th</sup> generation of the pick-up from model year 2019 onwards. Similarly to the proven performance optimization program for the forerunner RAM 1500 DS (available on Model Years 2011-2018), the new software also gives RAM 1500 DT owners the option to unlock more of their latest generation RAM's potential. For RAM 1500 DT vehicles built since August 2018, the tuning process has changed, as a new body control module (BCM) is installed on the latest generation RAM 1500 by the manufacturer. It is therefore imperative to check each individual model year 2019 and 2020 vehicle's BCM version prior to making any O.CT tuning modifications, and to adjust the installation process accordingly.

"There is a significant demand for official performance optimization packages that are endorsed by the importer. AEC has chosen to collaborate with O.CT due to their extensive experience and high-quality modifications. The roll-out of the program for the previous model was a great success and we are very pleased to offer this much anticipated update for all our RAM 1500 models now. The software allows for improved performance through increased engine power, torque and top-speed as well as deactivation of the HEMI's multiple displacement system (MDS) for all Ram 1500 vehicles of the model years 2011-2020." – says Dany Hoffman, Director of Homologation and Engineering at AEC.

## About Auto Export Corporation (AEC)

Auto Export Corporation (AEC) is a global automotive distributor and a service provider for OEMs and suppliers in the areas of general distribution (official FCA importer and distributor of Dodge & RAM vehicles and parts in Europe), market homologation incl. own R&D facility and processing center in Antwerp, parts distribution and warehouse, automotive consulting, automotive finance (partner of Santander Consumer Bank in key European markets), fleet operations, logistics solutions as well as retail operations. AEC has local operations and facilities in its focus markets in NAFTA, Auto Export Corporation AEC Europe GmbH AEC Port VPC Media Inquiries:



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