The motor vehicle emission control industry is a multi-billion dollar worldwide industry that manufactures equipment to reduce pollution from cars, trucks, buses, and off-road equipment. The United States has led the way in the development of new emission control technologies.

The U.S. air pollution standards, defined in the Clean Air Act Amendments of 1970, spurred the creation of the motor vehicle emission control industry.

Since the Clean Air Act was enacted in 1970, air pollution has been cut more than 48 percent, even as our population and economy have continued to grow.

U.S. companies got the jump in developing motor vehicle emission control technologies because the U.S. led the rest of the world in requiring the clean-up of pollution from cars and trucks.

U.S. motor vehicle emission control manufacturers are now recognized as world leaders in developing and producing emission control technologies.

In order to meet demands from growing domestic and foreign markets, emission control companies in the U.S. have spent more than 2 billion dollars in capital investments and in research and development recently.

To date, more than 500 million catalyst-equipped motor vehicles have been sold worldwide.

The world market for motor vehicle exhaust emission control technologies was approximately $35 billion in 2000 and an estimated $48.6 billion in 2005. In 2010, the world market is expected to approach $71 billion.

The air pollution control industry (mobile and stationary source controls) is a multi-billion dollar industry that employs about 85,000 workers in the U.S. and has created many high-skill, high-paying jobs.

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