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## Cougar Oil, Inc. and P&CMA make donation to WCCS CDL Program

**SELMA** - Cougar Oil, Inc. and the Petroleum & Convenience Marketers of Alabama's Educational Foundation (P&CMA) recently donated \$32,000 to assist with scholarships for the WCCS CDL Program. Cougar Oil's Area Manager, Rex Jones, presented the check to WCCS President Dr. James M. Mitchell on Monday, February 27 at the Selma High School's CTE Career Fair.

"At Cougar Oil we see the opportunities that CDL careers present. We are excited to be able to help ten CDL drivers start new careers and become assets to their communities," said Jones. "We look forward to continuing to work with the Selma City Schools to help recruit new CDL students to Wallace Community College Selma and their CDL program and watching the program grow."

"We are very honored to receive this very generous gift from Cougar Oil and P&CMA. Our CDL students will benefit greatly from the scholarships," said Dr. Mitchell.

P&CMA President Bart Fletcher said, "We are excited to work with Cougar Oil Company on this outstanding program. The Petroleum & Convenience Marketers of Alabama's Educational Foundation has awarded more than \$450,000 in scholarships since its inception and we believe programs like this are an excellent fit for our industry and for the students." He went on to say, "Careers in the trades

present excellent opportunities for students. CDL drivers are in high demand and earn a healthy salary, so it only makes sense to invest in the students who see this as a potential career path."

**Picture caption (left to right):** Rex Jones, Cougar Oil Area Manager; Dr. James M. Mitchell, WCCS President; and Calvin Griffin, WCCS, Assistant Dean of Instruction