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MOTORWEEK NAMES CHEVROLET VOLT 2011 DRIVERS' CHOICE "BEST OF THE YEAR"

CHICAGO, IL -- Delivering a practical electric car for the masses, the Chevrolet Volt eclipsed the competition to capture *MotorWeek's* coveted "Best of the Year" 2011 Drivers' Choice Award. The honor was announced at the 2011 Chicago Auto Show by *MotorWeek*, television's longest running and most respected automotive series.

"For all its game-changing technology, the Volt at its heart is a great car that is fun to drive with none of the range-limiting drawbacks associated with electric vehicles. *MotorWeek's* recognition of these attributes confirms what we are hearing consistently -- the Volt got it right out of the gate," said Rick Scheidt, VP of Marketing for Chevrolet.

"The Volt is the car all electrics and advanced electric hybrids will have to beat," said *MotorWeek* host John Davis. "The Volt takes the idea of an electric car from fantasy to total practicality, combining the latest gas-saving, plug-in technologies for an uncompromising driving experience."

Recognized as the best overall among winners in 13 categories, the Chevrolet Volt also took top honors as "Best Eco-Friendly." All winners will be featured on *MotorWeek* beginning February 12 on PBS. Among the auto industry's most prestigious honors, *MotorWeek's* Drivers' Choice Awards have been presented annually since 1983.

Recognizing the need to strike a balance between fuel economy and consumer satisfaction, *MotorWeek's* 2011 Drivers' Choice winners delivered both without compromise. The Ford Mustang GT was named "Best Performance Car," while "Best Pickup" went to the Ford F-Series, both more fuel efficient, and more powerful. "Best Small Utility" for the second year running was the Chevrolet Equinox, which boasts best in class fuel economy, along with an upscale interior and a spirited driving experience.

For family haulers, the Hyundai Sonata was named "Best Family Sedan" for setting new standards in comfort, safety, power and efficiency. The restyled Honda Odyssey won "Best Minivan," while "Best Small Car" honors went to the Volkswagen Jetta for blending American tuning with European responsiveness. Chrysler's duo of SUVs, the all-new Jeep Grand Cherokee and all-new Dodge Durango, tied as "Best Large Utility" for delivering re-engineered, yet still rugged utilities for the modern era.

The editorial staff of *MotorWeek* test drives more than 150 cars, trucks and utilities each year. Drivers' Choice Award winners are chosen following a comprehensive evaluation of factors that matter most to consumers - performance, technology, practicality and value.

INDIVIDUAL WINNERS

Best Small Car	Volkswagen Jetta
Best Family Sedan	Hyundai Sonata
Best Sport Sedan	BMW 5-Series
Best Luxury Sedan	Infiniti M
Best Sport Coupe	Cadillac CTS Coupe
Best Performance Car	Ford Mustang GT
Best Small Utility	Chevrolet Equinox
Best Large Utility	Jeep Grand Cherokee, Dodge Durango
Best Minivan	Honda Odyssey
Best Pickup Truck	Ford F-Series
Best Eco-Friendly	Chevrolet Volt
Best Convertible	Mercedes-Benz E-Class Cabriolet
Best Dream Machine	Audi R8 Spyder, Alfa Romeo 8C Spider
	Bentley Continental Supersports Convertible

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