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**CARLEASE.COM is Named One of the Top 100 Finalists**

**for the 15th Annual Chicago Innovation Awards**

**Chicago, IL—** Out of 643 nominees, **CARLEASE.COM** of **Lincolnwood, IL** has been selected as one of the Top 100 Finalists still in the running for the 15th annual Chicago Innovation Awards. The awards celebrate the most innovative new products and services in the Chicago region across all organization sizes, sectors and industries. 1500 business and civic leaders will come together to honor the winners when they are announced on October 25th at Chicago’s Harris Theater.

CARLEASE.COM enables consumers and fleet operators the ability to research, configure, and lease any new vehicle on the planet entirely online. Vehicles are delivered directly to the customer’s doorstep, so you never have to step foot in a dealership again. The technology enabled full-service offers a single point of contact and no haggle pricing, as well as unbiased consultative evaluation of lease financing and options.

“What I love about Chicago is its breadth of innovation,” said Tom Kuczmarski, co-founder with Chicago journalist Dan Miller of the awards. “This year’s nominees prove that innovation is taking place in both large companies and small, across industries, for-profit and non-profit, high tech and low tech. These risk-takers and visionaries are at the forefront of solving all kinds of unmet needs in the marketplace.”

Each of the Top 100 Finalists is also in the running for the annual “People’s Choice Award,” selected through online balloting at <http://www.chicagoinnovationawards.com/2016-peoples-choice-award-2/>.

CARLEASE.COM is nominated in the Automotive and Transportation category. The winners will be invited to ring the NASDAQ Bell in New York City, invited to separate meetings with Mayor Rahm Emanuel, Governor Bruce Rauner and Cook Count President Toni Preckwinkle, and receive widespread media recognition.

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Out of the Top 100 Finalists, the judges will select 10 winners of the Chicago Innovation Awards, as well as 10 winners of the Up-and-Comer Awards representing innovation in the start-up community, the Social Innovator Award, the Collaboration Award, and 3 new Neighborhood Award winners, which will showcase innovation occurring in Chicago’s diverse neighborhoods.

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