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Auto-Owners Insurance is pleased to announce the Harrod Insurance Agency, Inc., 12038 Owl Creek Rd., Wapakoneta, Ohio, has been named one of the Top 10 growth agencies for the Company in the state of Ohio for 2012. The agency was recognized at a luncheon meeting in Lima, and at a reception with all regional associates, where they and other recipients were presented with a plaque commemorating their accomplishment. Harrod Insurance Agency has represented Auto-Owners since 2011.

Rod Rupp, Executive Vice President of Auto-Owners, thanked the agency for its support and its business, stating, "Their growth and support only help to make the entire community stronger and more secure. We are grateful they choose to do business with us."

Auto-Owners Insurance was founded in 1916 and has served Ohio since 1936. Auto-Owners Insurance is a Fortune 500 company and is the 18th largest property/casualty insurance company in the nation, based on written premium. Auto-Owners Insurance Group is one of only nine groups of insurance companies in the United States to receive the highest rating possible, A++ Superior, by A.M. Best, which is a nationally recognized rating agency for insurance companies. Auto-Owners has received the J.D. Power and Associates award for the "Highest in Customer Satisfaction with the Auto Insurance Claims Experience," five years in a row, for 2008 - 2012. Auto-Owners is headquartered in Lansing, Michigan, and serves policyholders in 26 states.