2014 Ram 2500 HD Wins Cars.com Three-Quarter-Ton Heavy-Duty Challenge Powered by PickupTrucks.com

CHICAGO, Aug. 11, 2014 /PRNewswire/ -- Cars.com, the premier online resource for buying and selling new and used cars and trucks, has announced that the 2014 Ram 2500 HD is the winner of the site's three-quarter-ton heavy duty pickup truck challenge. The challenge put the top three-quarter-ton pickup trucks against each other in a series of tests to determine the overall best. The three trucks tested in the challenge were the 2015 Chevrolet Silverado 2500 HD, 2015 Ford F-250 Super Duty and the 2014 Ram 2500 HD.

"With the most upgrades and changes since our last heavy-duty truck comparison, the Ram 2500 HD dominated our various tests and judge scoring," said Mark Williams, truck editor for Cars.com. "The Ram offered the best interior and had the best ride of the three, comfortably traversing just about every surface. Even though it sat below our \$50,000 price cap, it still provided a lot of technology and features that the other two players could not match."

The trucks were tested for two weeks over thousands of miles and in a variety of weather and terrain conditions. Scores were drawn from more than a dozen data-driven tests of each truck's capabilities, and judges added their votes in six categories: engine performance, seating comfort and ergonomics, technology and entertainment, ride quality, visibility and value.

"We don't test heavy-duty trucks on a regular basis, however in the two years since our last three-quarter-ton truck challenge, we've seen the truck wars intensify and expand," said Williams. "Of all pickup truck segments, the three-quarter-tons have made perhaps the largest technology and quality leap of all."

Full results and greater detail on the Cars.com Three-Quarter-Ton Heavy-Duty Pickup Truck Challenge powered by PickupTrucks.com can be found <u>here</u>.

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