Voluntary government-sponsored initiatives such as Customs Trade Partnership Against Terrorism (C-TPAT) are cooperative programs aimed at strengthening and improving international supply chains and improving border security. In response, OEMs and Suppliers in the automotive industry developed individual questionnaires and processes to comply. While effective, this resulted in duplicate efforts throughout the international supply chain.

**SITUATION**

**PARTICIPATING COMPANIES**

Chrysler Group LLC
General Motors Company
Toyota Motor Corporation

**COMMON RISK ASSESSMENT EXPEDITES U.S. BORDER CROSSINGS (c-tpat)**

**SOLUTION**

The AIAG Customs/Supply Chain Security Initiatives Committee (SCSI) collaborated to create the Supplier Security Assessment, a secure, common and centralized supplier information resource that provides greater visibility of the supply base and can assess security risks and potential disruptions to the supply chain continuity.

**BENEFIT**

Suppliers have command and control of the data contained within this portal. It allows companies to become certified as low-risk security threats. This system also allows for identification of suppliers that are C-TPAT certified, including what they supply, where their materials originate, and where materials enter the U.S. Suppliers can grant OEM or supplier customers limited access to the data, as they deem appropriate.