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BENDIX SALUTES MAINTENANCE PROFESSIONALS DURING NATIONAL TECHNICIAN APPRECIATION WEEK

Celebrating and Supporting the Indispensable Service Pros Who Help Keep America's Commercial Vehicles Moving

AVON, Ohio – Sept. 25, 2023 – Think about it: The ability of every big rig to transport loads across the country, every vocational vehicle to move materials in and around jobsites, and every delivery truck to drop off goods in our neighborhoods traces back to professional technicians. It's the maintenance pros who help keep these and all other commercial vehicles rolling throughout America.

Bendix Commercial Vehicle Systems LLC (Bendix) is pleased to offer a special salute to service professionals during National Technician Appreciation Week.

Sponsored by the American Trucking Associations (ATA) and ATA's Technology & Maintenance Council (TMC), the fourth annual National Technician Appreciation Week takes place Sept. 24-30. The week directly follows this year's ATA TMC fall meeting in Cleveland, Ohio, and its TMCSuperTech National Technician Skills Competitions for professional commercial vehicle technicians. National Technician Appreciation Week celebrates the hard work and commitment of professional technicians, while also helping to attract prospective talent to one of the most in-demand careers in the trucking industry.

"Every kind of commercial vehicle – tractor-trailers, fire and rescue vehicles, school buses, cement mixers, refuse haulers, delivery vans, to name just a few – is kept rolling by

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dedicated professionals whose skills help enhance the safety of their fleet, the drivers, and the roads we all share," said Fred Andersky, Bendix director – demos, sales and service training.

Andersky continued, "From the front of the tractor to the back of the trailer, the role of the professional technician has become more complex, more diverse, and more challenging thanks to the exponential leap in technologies present on today's commercial vehicles. It's a growing opportunity in a vital field. Without technicians, trucks go nowhere – and America stops. We couldn't be more grateful for everything they do."

Bendix – the North American leader in the development and manufacture of active safety, air management, and braking system technologies for commercial vehicles – was a sponsor of this year's TMCSuperTech competition and its brake station.

"All of us at Bendix extend our sincere thanks to the professional technicians doing this critical work," Andersky said. "And, as has been the case for more than a half-century, we will continue to proudly support their work through our education and training efforts. We have the backs of these pros, just as they have our country's back."

A Multitude of Training Resources

Bendix's history as a leader in technician-support efforts across the commercial vehicle industry dates back more than 50 years. Its in-person Brake Training School is among the industry's longest-running educational programs. Bendix offers in-person and online training opportunities for fleet technicians, owner-operators, maintenance team leaders, and others to enhance the skills necessary for keeping vehicles on the road and in safe operating condition.

In addition, since 2013, the Bendix On-Line Brake School has been available as an everexpanding 24/7/365 training resource – and the site (brake-school.com) now offers more than 100 courses and numbers nearly 150,000 registered users. Students can access a curriculum covering the full spectrum of braking and active vehicle safety system product topics, ranging from overall education on product features and operation to troubleshooting, diagnostics, and maintenance best practices. Bendix also develops customized brake-school.com educational plans for fleets and industry organizations.

At knowledge-dock.com, Bendix provides an archive of post-sales product support and insight, including Bendix Tech Tips, podcasts, and blogs. Additionally, the company's YouTube channel includes a library of Bendix Tech Talks and other resources.

Service manuals, product training documents, installation instructions, and more can be found in the document library at B2Bendix.com.

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Field-tested sales and service professionals form the heart of Bendix's training education programs, along with its veteran field technical support team and the Bendix Tech Team at 1-800-AIR-BRAKE (1-800-247-2725) – an expert technical support group providing service advice, brake system troubleshooting, and product training.

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