ELYRIA, Ohio – March 1, 2016 – The safety improvement potential and innovation of Bendix® Wingman® Fusion™ have earned the advanced driver assistance system a spot on the Heavy Duty Trucking 2016 Top 20 product list.

The industry publication’s Top 20 selections were chosen from products and services introduced between December 2014 and November 2015. The products and services were judged on their innovation, ability to address top industry issues, and potential to improve a fleet’s bottom line in areas such as safety, efficiency, and maintenance. The list was compiled by Heavy Duty Trucking’s editors and a panel of experienced fleet executives and maintenance managers, including the HDT Truck Fleet Innovators.

Heavy Duty Trucking presented the award to Bendix today at the 2016 TMC Annual Meeting and Transportation Technology Exhibition. TMC (Technology Maintenance Council) is part of the American Trucking Associations.

“It’s a true honor for Wingman Fusion to earn this recognition as a valuable and impactful technology in today’s rapidly advancing and constantly evolving commercial vehicle industry,” said Berend Bracht, Bendix president and CEO. “Along with the feedback we have received from fleets and drivers who have experienced the system, this distinction helps support Bendix’s commitment to leading the way on the road to ever-safer trucks and roadways, and
serves as a reminder of our shared emphasis to advance safety and deliver value every day, and every mile.”

The selection of Wingman® Fusion™ follows in the path of Bendix® Wingman® Advanced™ – A Collision Mitigation Technology, which was named a Heavy Duty Trucking Top 20 product in 2012.

Bendix, the North American leader in the development and manufacture of active safety and braking solutions for commercial vehicles, unveiled Wingman Fusion at the 2015 Mid-America Trucking Show in Louisville, Kentucky. Fusion combines a proven suite of Bendix advanced safety technologies into a comprehensive driver assistance system offering full stability; collision mitigation – including stationary vehicle braking; lane departure warning; and overspeed alert and action.

Built on technology from road-tested, fleet-proven Bendix components and systems, Fusion gathers input through radar, video, and the vehicle’s brakes – creating a highly detailed and accurate data picture through its deep, multi-system integration. Combined with more powerful next-generation computing, Fusion unlocks new levels of safety performance and potential. The system’s camera is powered by the Mobileye System-on-Chip EyeQ processor with state-of-the-art-vision algorithms.

“As we look to the potential of an autonomous trucking future, technologies – such as Wingman Fusion – that combine radar and camera sensors are helping to pave the way for these future systems,” noted Richard Beyer, Bendix vice president of engineering and R&D. “Bendix believes the autonomous truck will be built on evolving driver assistance systems, creating more opportunities to help drivers with even more autonomous vehicle safety and convenience functions.”

Active safety technologies such as Bendix Wingman Fusion are driver assistance systems designed to complement safe drivers, safe driving practices, and proactive driver training programs, not replace them. Responsibility for the safe operation of the vehicle remains with the driver at all times.

Wingman Fusion is part of Bendix’s ever-growing portfolio of technology that delivers on areas critical to the success of fleets and owner-operators: safety, reliability, performance and efficiency, and lower cost of vehicle ownership. By strengthening return on investment through a lower total cost of ownership in equipment and technologies, Bendix aims to improve highway safety for all who share the road.

For more information about Bendix safety systems, call Bendix at 1-800-AIR-BRAKE or visit www.safertrucks.com/solutions.
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