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### **BENDIX CONGRATULATES WINNER OF 2025 ATA**

#### **NATIONAL TRUCK DRIVING CHAMPIONSHIPS BENDIX GRAND CHAMPION AWARD**

*Top Driver Honored After Four Days of Elite-Level Competition in Minneapolis*

**AVON, Ohio – Aug. 25, 2025** – After four days of high-caliber competition among the nation's top professional commercial vehicle drivers, the 88<sup>th</sup> American Trucking Associations (ATA) National Truck Driving Championships (NTDC) have concluded in Minneapolis, Minnesota. Bendix Commercial Vehicle Systems LLC (Bendix) proudly congratulates the 2025 Bendix Grand Champion: David Comings, a North Dakota-based professional driver with FedEx Freight.

Comings has been a professional driver for nearly 30 years, accumulating 3.1 million safe driving miles. He has competed three times in the North Dakota Motor Carriers Association state trucking championships and three times in the National Truck Driving Championships.

Bendix sponsored the Grand Champion Award for the 14<sup>th</sup> consecutive year, continuing its support of the drivers who exemplify excellence in safety and performance.

The 2025 NTDC, held Aug. 20-23, brought together 425 professional drivers representing 56 companies from 49 states, competing across nine vehicle classes. This year's participants collectively logged nearly 756 million accident-free miles – showcasing the safety, skill, and commitment that define the commercial driving profession.

"We extend our sincere congratulations to David Comings, and to all the professionals who competed this year," said Nicole Oreskovic, vice president of sales and marketing at Bendix. "These drivers are the heart of our industry. Their performance during the competition,

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and their dedication every day on the road, inspire all of us at Bendix and throughout the transportation community.”

At this year’s event inside the Minneapolis Convention Center, drivers put their knowledge and skills to the test across three phases: a written exam, a detailed pre-trip inspection, and the ever-popular driving skills course. On the course, drivers were evaluated on their ability to expertly handle their vehicles – navigating tight turns, reversing with precision, and positioning their trucks accurately around obstacles, over scales, and through challenging spaces.

**Photo caption:** David Comings, winner of the ATA's 2025 Bendix National Truck Driving Championships Grand Champion Award. (Photo provided by ATA.)

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