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NEWS RELEASE

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MISSOURI TRUCKING ASSOCIATION ANNUAL SUPERTECH COMPETITION

Springfield, MO --The 2018 Missouri Trucking Association (MoTA) Annual SuperTech Competition, sponsored by the MoTA Technology and Maintenance Council, was held at the Ozark Empire Fairgrounds & Event Center, Springfield, Missouri on April 12th.

The competition for full-time heavy-duty truck technicians included a hands-on challenge with fourteen skill stations, presenting equally challenging problems to both fleet maintenance and service shop pros. 39 technicians competed to prove their prowess.

120 people attended the SuperTech Awards Banquet to honor the winners that evening. Each station winner received a 1st place plaque and engraved plate for their tool box along with other miscellaneous prizes. The 2018 SuperTech receives an all-expense paid trip to the National Competition September 15-18 at the Marriott Orlando World Center in Orlando, FL, A \$200 gift card for personal expenses and a SuperTech wrapped Artic cooler. Two Nascar tickets with \$500 sponsored by Fontaine was also awarded to the top winner.

Winners in the competition stations are listed below with employer and company.

Trailer;

Dylan Verdu, Gahr Truck Equipment Inc.

APU;

Tanner Vaughn, Prime Inc.

Steering Suspension;

Aaron Schreckengast, Travel Centers of America

Tire - Wheel;

Adam Sprock, Travel Centers of America

Brakes / ABS;

Kevin Fricke, Clarke Power Services, Inc.

Air System;

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5th Wheel;

Donnie Allison, Walmart Transportation

Electrical;

Aaron Schreckengast, Travel Centers of America

Starting & Charging;

Kevin Fricke, Clarke Power Services, Inc.

Wiring Diagrams;

John Peper, Clarke Power Services, Inc.

PMI;

Donnie Allison, Walmart Transportation

Engine Diagnostic;
Mark Cooper, MHC Kenworth

Vehicle Controls;
David Cottingham, Walmart Transportation

Wheel End;
Donnie Allison, Walmart Transportation

Trophies were presented to the three Overall Winners in the SuperTech competition as follows:

Third Place Winner;
David Cottingham, Walmart Transportation

Second Place Winner;
Donnie Allison, Walmart Transportation Inc.

2018 SuperTech Champion;
Kevin Fricke, Clarke Power Services, Inc., Wentzville, MO

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