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MISSOURI TRUCKING ASSOCIATION ANNUAL SUPERTECH COMPETITION

Springfield, MO --The 2019 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 3rd, 2019.

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. 35 technicians competed to prove their prowess.

80 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 a \$25.00 gift card. The 2nd and 3rd place overall winners received a trophy, tool box magnet, and gift card. The 2019 SuperTech Champion receives an all-expense paid trip to the National Competition September 15-20, 2019 in Orlando, FL, a \$1000.00 Bass Pro gift card for personal expenses, and a trip for two to Talladega (curtesy of Fontaine).

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

5th Wheel: **Donnie Allison, Walmart Transportation**

Electrical: Michael Krause, Clark Power Services

Written Test: Robert Richeson, Joplin Freightliner Sales

Vehicle Controls: Michael Krause, Clark Power Services

Starting/Charging: Michael Krause, Clark Power Services

APU: Tanner Vaughn, Prime Inc.

Aftertreatment: Michael Fly, Central Power Services

Suspension: Mark Cooper, MHC Kenworth

PMI: Michael Krause, Clark Power Services, and Justin Adams, Hogan Truck Leasing

Engine: Kortney Cobb, Summit Truck Group

Disc. Brake: Donnie Allison, Walmart Transportation

Tire & Wheel: **Kameron Moss, FMC Transport**

Air System: Tanner Vaughn, Prime Inc

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

Third Place Winner: Kevin Baker, Midway Ford

Second Place Winner: Michael Krause, Clark Power Services

2019 SuperTech Champion: Donnie Allison, Walmart Transportation Inc.

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