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## BENDIX ON-LINE BRAKE SCHOOL CELEBRATES FIVE YEARS AND 60,000 STUDENTS

or

Training on Current Safety Technologies Continues to Build a Strong Foundation for the Safer Vehicles of Tomorrow

**ELYRIA**, **Ohio – March 6**, **2018** – Imagine a fan-packed Dodger Stadium – with 4,000 more people standing outside. That's about a 60,000-strong crowd, roughly the same as the number of registered users at the Bendix On-Line Brake School, celebrating the fifth anniversary of its launch this month.

"When we unveiled brake-school.com in March of 2013, we wanted to make Bendix's extensive knowledge database and technical resources available to provide around-the-clock, easily accessible training that would benefit almost anyone in the commercial vehicle industry," said Barbara Gould, director of corporate communications at Bendix Commercial Vehicle Systems LLC. "With today's technologies serving as the foundation for future advancements, providing technical knowledge across all levels – from owner-operators to distributors, fleet technicians, and drivers – is more crucial than ever to keeping vehicles on the road and in good, safe operating condition."

As the North American leader in the development and manufacture of leading-edge active safety and braking system technologies for commercial vehicles, Bendix has long recognized the role that up-to-date, relevant training plays in highway safety. The company's history as a leader in providing technical know-how dates back more than a half-century, and its in-person Bendix<sup>®</sup> Brake Training School is among the industry's longest-running educational

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programs. Over the past 10 years, Bendix experts have guided in excess of 100,000 people to successful completion of in-person and computer-driven training efforts.

Just as the pathway to safer vehicles and advanced driver assistance systems is built on current components and technologies – such as air compressors and dryers, air disc brakes, sensors, full stability, and collision mitigation – the base knowledge for effective maintenance tomorrow is a thorough understanding of what's on the road today. Even the commercial vehicle industry's most cutting-edge technologies still rely on the proper upkeep of lower-level systems like tires, brake friction, and valves – and brake-school.com covers the entire landscape:

- Air disc brakes
- Air dryers
- Compressors
- Electronic safety systems (including side object detection, diagnostics, lane departure warning, tire pressure monitoring, stability, and collision mitigation)
- Foundation drum brakes
- Slack adjusters
- Trailer safety systems
- Valves

Additional courses cover highway safety; Compliance, Safety, Accountability (CSA); and Reduced Stopping Distance (RSD). The Bendix On-Line Brake School also offers a complete air brake training course that complements its in-person Brake Training School and is recommended for those planning to attend one of the sessions.

"Since the dozens of brake-school.com courses explore complex systems in depth, while remaining understandable and easy to navigate, they're ideal for integrating into customer and fleet training programs," Gould said. "We also regularly work with industry organizations and fleets of all sizes and vocations on an individual basis to craft customized educational plans that meet their specific technical needs. And by offering several levels of access, we make it possible for companies to monitor the participation and progress of registered employees and technicians."

Brake-school.com students represent more than two dozen countries, and the site's 24/7/365 availability enables them to study its more than 70 courses on their own schedules. Registered users of the password-protected site are presented with a broad range of opportunities, including interactive presentation modules and videos. Learning progress is measured through knowledge checks following each course.

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At the heart of Bendix's training education programs are its field-tested sales and service professionals, along with its veteran field technical support team and the Bendix Tech Team at 1-800-AIR-BRAKE – an expert technical support group providing service advice, brake system troubleshooting, and product training. Bendix also provides technical materials – including archives of the Bendix Tech Tips series – through the Bendix<sup>®</sup> Knowledge Dock<sup>™</sup> multimedia center at knowledge-dock.com.

Through its continuous emphasis on training, education, and other post-sales support, along with safety, value, and product performance, Bendix aims to lower total costs of ownership, helping to strengthen return on investment in equipment and technologies that lead to safer vehicles and safer roadways for everyone.

To learn more about Bendix safety systems and technologies, call 1-800-AIR-BRAKE (1-800-247-2725) or visit www.bendix.com or safertrucks.com/solutions.

## **About Bendix Commercial Vehicle Systems LLC**

Bendix Commercial Vehicle Systems, a member of the Knorr-Bremse Group, develops and supplies leading-edge active safety technologies, energy management solutions, and air brake charging and control systems and components under the Bendix® brand name for medium- and heavy-duty trucks, tractors, trailers, buses, and other commercial vehicles throughout North America. An industry pioneer, employing more than 3,200 people, Bendix is driven to deliver solutions for improved vehicle safety, performance, and overall operating cost. Contact us at 1-800-AIR-BRAKE (1-800-247-2725) or visit bendix.com. Stay connected and informed through Bendix expert podcasts, blog posts, videos, and other resources at knowledge-dock.com. Follow Bendix on Twitter at twitter.com/Bendix\_CVS. Log on and learn from the Bendix experts at brake-school.com. And to learn more about career opportunities at Bendix, visit bendix.com/careers.