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ABF FreightSM State Driving Champions Head to National Truck Driving Championships

- By winning their respective state championships, 19 ABF Freight drivers earn a spot at Nationals
- Competing drivers also must have maintained accident-free driving records for the preceding 12 months

FORT SMITH, Arkansas, August 11, 2015 — ABF FreightsM, an ArcBest company (Nasdaq: ARCB), has 19 drivers who have earned the right to compete in the 2015 National Truck Driving Championships Aug. 11-15 in St. Louis.

The event, hosted by the American Trucking Associations, features over 400 of the country's top professional drivers competing in a skills test, pre-trip inspection and a written exam.

"ABF Freight's excellent reputation for safety and security, backed by an unmatched number of industry awards, comes directly from outstanding employees like these championship drivers," says ABF Freight President Tim Thorne. "Behind the wheel, on the dock, in the office or wherever duty calls, ABF Freight employees are committed to adding value to our customers' supply chains by maintaining the highest performance standards."

Drivers earned the right to compete in the national championships by winning first place in their respective classes at the state level and by maintaining accident-free driving records for the preceding 12 months.

Representing ABF Freight will be Reggie Ansbach, Missouri Grand Champion, Twins; Ed Beins, Nebraska Grand Champion, Straight; Don Biggerstaff, North Carolina Rookie of the Year, 4-Axle; Don Boileau, Connecticut, Twins; Ron Coles, Idaho, Tank; Charlie Estrada, New Mexico, 5-Axle; James Fabian, Oklahoma, Straight; Ralph Garcia, New Mexico, Sleeper; David Hall, Arkansas Grand Champion, 4-Axle; Loren Hatfield, Arkansas, Straight; Kent Jones, Oklahoma, Twins; A.J. Kelly, Wyoming Grand Champion, Twins; Steve Marlow, Florida, 5-Axle; Tim McElwaney, Georgia, 3-Axle; Otto Schmeckenbecher, Arkansas, Tank; David Schmuecker, Illinois, Flatbed; Tony Spero, Connecticut, Flatbed; Donald Wood, New Mexico, Straight; and Ernie Wood, Vermont, 4-Axle.

ABOUT ABF FREIGHT

ABF FreightsM operates the core less-than-truckload network for North American shippers of all sizes who value quality and an exceptional experience. Our customers know we'll find a way to deliver superior regional and long-haul LTL solutions, including best-in-class trade show, white glove, expedited and time-critical services. With easy access through a single point of contact to a broad array of logistics services at our sister companies, we meet all supply chain needs.

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