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### FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

## **BENDIX ANNOUNCES 2021 TECHNICAL TRAINING SESSIONS**

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Air Brake and Advanced Technology Training Courses Will Visit 10 States for In-Person Learning, While Following All Health and Safety Protocols; Virtual Air Brake Training Classes Also Available

**ELYRIA**, **Ohio – May 18**, **2021 –** Building on decades of industry training experience, Bendix Commercial Vehicle Systems LLC (Bendix) has restarted its long-running training programs for 2021, after the pandemic required postponement of much of the 2020 schedule. Bendix is offering in-person and online training opportunities for fleet technicians, owner-operators, and others to enhance the skills necessary for keeping vehicles on the road and in safe operating condition.

In-person opportunities on the 2021 calendar cover 10 states. They include 10 sessions of Bendix's three-day Air Brake Training class – long recognized as setting the industry training standard – beginning June 8-10 in Rosemount, Minnesota. And Bendix will hold its two-day inperson Advanced Technology Training program – introduced in 2019 – four times, with two sessions each at Bendix headquarters in Elyria and at the company's Sparks, Nevada, location. In addition, Bendix is holding three Virtual Training sessions of its three-day Air Brake Training class, with the first being conducted May 25-27.

Registration is open for the complete schedule of both courses, shown on the last page of this news release. All in-person training adheres to the latest safety, health, and sanitization protection protocols, as applicable, including social distancing and face masks. All state, local, and company-specific travel restrictions apply.

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"Like the industry as a whole, Bendix is working to overcome the challenges of last year, and resuming our technical training sessions to meet the constant need for service training – even in a reduced capacity for now – is an important part of that effort," said Lance Hansen, Bendix vice president – aftermarket sales, fleet, service, and field operations. "A member of the ASE-certified veteran Bendix Service Engineering Team conducts every class, which will follow all health and safety protocols. In the demanding and fast-changing commercial vehicle landscape, we have our eye firmly on helping to equip teams across the industry with the technical knowledge they require. This is essential as safety components evolve and advance at a rapid pace."

Hansen continued, "Our training program is part of our larger post-sales support commitment. It's just one more way we help fleets face the ongoing pressure to maintain overall safety, performance, and uptime as they strive to lower their total cost of ownership – and help address the industry's continued shortage of qualified, highly skilled technicians."

## Safety Lessons

Bendix's Air Brake Training course is aimed at both new and experienced technicians, and covers the description, operation, and service elements for the total range of components found within dual air brake systems. Classroom topics include the fundamentals of compressed air; tactics for air system failure mode diagnosis and troubleshooting; and components such as air compressors, valves, foundation drum brakes, and air disc brakes.

Bendix recommends that students complete the Air Brake Training course before taking the Advanced Technology Training class, which covers the operation and troubleshooting of higher-level driver assistance and safety systems, as well as diagnostic software. A must for advanced technicians as more fleets and drivers adopt complex technologies like collision mitigation systems, the Advanced Technology Training sessions will address:

- Antilock Braking Systems (ABS)
- AutoVue® Lane Departure Warning System from Bendix CVS
- Bendix<sup>®</sup> ESP<sup>®</sup> Electronic Stability Program
- Bendix<sup>®</sup> Wingman<sup>®</sup> Advanced<sup>™</sup> A Collision Mitigation Technology
- Bendix<sup>®</sup> Wingman<sup>®</sup> Fusion<sup>™</sup> driver assistance systems
- SafetyDirect® system by Bendix CVS
- SmarTire<sup>®</sup> and SmarTire<sup>®</sup> Trailer-Link<sup>™</sup> TPMS by Bendix CVS

The Advanced Technology Training program includes hands-on, in-depth maintenance instruction for Bendix<sup>®</sup> air disc brakes and electrical diagnostics.

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"We cover a lot of ground, in terms of quantity and complexity of the products involved," Hansen said. "For that reason, we strongly advise each student to complete either the three-day Air Brake Training course or the System Training – Air Brake Training module at brake-school.com before taking the Advanced Technology Training class."

Per-person enrollment costs are \$450 USD for Air Brake Training, \$400 USD for Advanced Technology training, and \$300 USD for Virtual Training. Enrollment is on a first-come, first-served basis, and class size is limited. Registration may be completed online at www.bendix.com; by phone at 1-800-AIR-BRAKE (1-800-247-2725), option 3; by email at BendixTrainingSchool@hkm.dcgcentral.com; or via fax (216-651-3261). See the full listing of dates and locations below or visit www.bendix.com.

## **Knowledge Base**

Since 2013, the Bendix On-Line Brake School has been available as an ever-expanding 24/7/365 training resource – and the site (www.brake-school.com) now offers more than 90 free courses and numbers more than 110,000 registered users. Students can access a curriculum covering the full spectrum of braking and active vehicle safety system product topics, ranging from overall education on product features and operation to troubleshooting, diagnostics, and maintenance best practices. Through the site, Bendix also develops customized training channels, offering specialized programs for organizations spanning all segments of the commercial vehicle industry.

At knowledge-dock.com, Bendix provides an archive of post-sales product support and insight, including Bendix Tech Tips, podcasts, and blogs. Additionally, the company's YouTube channel includes a library of Bendix Tech Talks and other resources.

Through its industry technical leadership, an ever-growing portfolio of technology developments, and unparalleled post-sales support, Bendix delivers on safety, vehicle performance, and efficiency – areas critical to the success of fleets and owner-operators. Bendix strives to lower the total cost of vehicle ownership, helping strengthen return on investment in safety-enhancing equipment and technology.

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

Bendix Commercial Vehicle Systems, a member of Knorr-Bremse, 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 4,100 people, Bendix – and its wholly owned subsidiary, R.H. Sheppard Co., Inc. – is driven to deliver the best solutions for improved vehicle safety, performance,

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# **2021 Bendix Training Schedule**

	State	City	<b>Date</b> All Training Gasses are 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.	Class Code
	Air Brake Training (3-Day) Tuesday – Thursday			
	FL	Orlando	Nov. 16 - 18	1-21
ndix* Air  Bendix* Online Air Brake Training  ke Training Day Class)	GA	Kennesaw	Sept. 14 - 16	2-21
	IL.	Lisle	July 20 – 22	3-21
	IN	Fort Wayne	Aug. 3 - 5	4-21
	VIRTUAL CLASS On-line only		May 25 - 27	5-21
			Aug. 31 – Sept. 2	6-21
			Dec. 7 - 9	7-21
	MN	Rosemount	June 8 – 10	8-21
	MO	Springfield	July 27 - 29	9-21
	NV	Sparks	Oct. 19 - 21	10-21
	ОН	Cleveland	Oct. 5 - 7	11-21
	TN	Nashville	Aug. 17 - 19	12-21
	WA	Vancouver	Nov. 2 – 4	13-21
		Advanced Technology Tuesday – W		
Bendix" Air Brake Training (3-Day Class)	NV	Sparks	Aug. 24 – 25	14-21
			Sept. 21 – 22	15-21
	OH Elyria	-5	Aug. 10 -11	16-21
		Oct. 26 - 27	17-21	

#### Your Well-being Matters.

All in-person training adheres to the latest safety, health, and sanitization protection protocols, as applicable, including social distancing and face masks. All state, local and company-specific travel restrictions apply. Travelers who have not been fully vaccinated and who are coming to a Bendix school by air must quarantine upon arrival or present the results of a negative COVID test within 72-hours of travel. To avoid this quarantine or negative test requirement, travelers who are fully vaccinated must provide proof of vaccination prior to arrival. The above requirements are not applicable for those who travel to a Bendix school by car. As requirements surrounding COVID-19 precautions evolve, please confirm all requirements with Bendix prior to the start of each scheduled session.



## **United States Locations**

Training offered in shaded states. (Bendix Advanced Technology Training is offered exclusively in Nevada and Ohio.)



Class sizes are limited and enrollment is on a first-come, first-serve basis.

#### Register:

- by phone 1-800-AIR-BRAKE, (1-800-247-2725, option 3);
- by email,
   BendixTrainingSchool@hkm.dcgcentral.com;
- by fax, (216) 651-3261; or
- online at bendix.com or foundationbrakes.com.

See the registration form on the back page. Refer to the unique class code per location when completing your registration.

The cost for the training class, per attendee, is \$450 (US) for the Air Brake Training, \$400 (US) for the Advanced Technology Training and \$300 (US) for the Virtual Class.